



# L'Aventure

A luxurious Rhône-style blend from Paso Robles, this wine embodies elegance and power with floral lift, dark fruit depth, and remarkable aging potential.



## Cuvee Chloe 2019

California, USA

### Region and Vineyards

L'Aventure Vineyard is located on the rugged west side of **Paso Robles**, a dynamic appellation on California's Central Coast that benefits from both maritime influence and warm inland temperatures. This location provides a vital diurnal shift, with hot days encouraging ripeness and cool nights preserving acidity. The vineyard's position on **limestone-rich soils** adds minerality and natural tension to the fruit, offering ideal conditions for Rhône varieties such as **Syrah**, **Grenache**, and **Viognier**.

The estate, owned and farmed by Stephan Asseo, is cultivated with an emphasis on precision viticulture and low yields, averaging just **1.5 to 2 tons per acre**. Each block is managed individually, allowing full expression of the site's complexity. The resulting fruit is concentrated, balanced, and intensely flavored—foundational qualities in the crafting of Cuvée Chloé, a wine that fully reflects the distinct personality of the estate.

### Winemaking

The 2019 vintage is a co-fermented blend of **69% Syrah**, **23% Grenache**, and **8% Viognier**, all grown on the estate. Co-fermentation of Viognier with Syrah is a traditional Rhône technique that enhances aromatic lift, color stability, and elegance. The Grenache, from old vines, contributes red fruit vibrancy and a supple, textural core. This precise composition showcases the winemaker's intimate knowledge of each block's potential.

Aging was carried out over **14 months** in a combination of **38% new French oak**, **26% one-year-old barrels**, and **36% amphora**, a technique that adds purity and freshness while moderating oak impact. The wine was **neither fined nor filtered**, preserving its integrity and nuance. Bottled in March 2021, it is crafted for long-term aging, with a projected evolution over more than two decades.

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## Tasting Notes

- **Color:** Deep garnet with vivid violet highlights and luminous clarity.
- **Aroma:** An expressive bouquet of blueberry, black cherry, and lavender interwoven with violet, smoked meat, and a whisper of white pepper.
- **Palate:** Full-bodied and seamless, featuring flavors of black plum, licorice, and dark berries, lifted by floral nuances and structured by refined tannins. The finish is long and satin-textured.

## Did you know?

Cuvée Chloé is named after **Chloé Asseo**, the daughter of Stephan Asseo, founder of L'Aventure Winery. Originally from Bordeaux, Asseo left France in search of creative freedom beyond the constraints of the AOC system. In 1997, he discovered the limestone soils and wild energy of Paso Robles and established L'Aventure. This wine, one of his most personal cuvées, symbolizes both **familial homage** and the pioneering spirit that defines the estate's identity.

## Wine Pairing Ideas

- **Grilled duck breast with cherry reduction:** The dark berry fruit and floral lift of the wine echo the rich-sweet flavors of the duck and sauce.
- **Roasted lamb with herbs de Provence:** Complements the wine's Syrah-driven spice and savory depth, while enhancing its Mediterranean character.
- **Wild mushroom and truffle risotto:** The wine's earthy complexity and texture pair beautifully with umami-rich ingredients.
- **Aged Comté cheese with crusty sourdough:** Highlights the wine's supple tannins and long, mineral-inflected finish.



### Jeb Dunnuck (JD) : 98 Points (2019)

*A straight beast of a wine, the 2019 Chloe offers blockbuster levels of black and blue fruits as well as notes of graphite, ground pepper, and crushed rock. Based on a co-fermented blend of 69% Syrah, 23% Grenache, and 8% Viognier that saw a slightly shorter maceration than normal, this inky hued, full-bodied, massive 2019 still somehow stays flawlessly balanced and elegant on the palate. It's going to take 5-7 years or more of bottle age, but it's a brilliant, heavenly wine. (JD) 98+ (9/2021)*



### Vinous (Antonio Galloni) (VN) : 96 Points (2019)

*Inky ruby. Intense cherry, dark berry, allspice, vanilla, smoked meat and candied flowers on the highly perfumed nose. Broad, concentrated cherry liqueur, dark berry and violet pastille flavors turn livelier as the wine opens up. Blends richness and energy with a sure hand and finishes impressively long and spicy, with resonating cherry and floral notes and harmonious tannins that add subtle closing grip. 50% whole clusters. (JR) (11/2021)*



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**James Suckling (JS) : 96 Points (2019)**

*This is very fine-tannined with blackberries, stone, black chocolate and walnuts. Full-bodied, yet creamy, with medium, velvety tannins and a dark-fruited finish. Lovely texture. 69% syrah, 23% grenache and 8% viognier. Drinkable now, but better in a year or three. (4/2022)*



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