



## CAIRANNE ROUGE "HAUT COUSTIAS"

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*Vintage*           **2011**  
*Producer*       **DOMAINE DE L'ORATOIRE SAINT MARTIN**  
*Country*         **FRANCE**  
*Alcohol*         **13.5%**

*Composition:*  
**20% GRENACHE, 60% MOURVEDRE, 20% SYRAH**

### VINEYARD

Soils of limestone and clay with vines over 65 years of age.

### VINIFICATION

Harvesting and sorting of grapes is done by hand, destemming and 18 days of fermentation with pécage. Aged 24 months in oak barrels and bottled without filtration or clarifying additives.

### THE STORY

Frédéric and François Alary have taken over the farm in 1984 and work 25 hectares on the Saint Martin hillsides including the oratoire, built in the middle of the vineyard, which gave its name to the estate.

The main part of the domain is situated to the north east of Cairanne 200 metres from the hills of Rasteau in a zone commonly called "la Montagne" in the LES DOUYES et SAINT MARTIN districts. They are steep-sloped and the steeper parts require the usage of a caterpillar. It is a very stony soil with yellow clay on the surface and blue clay deeper and a very high percentage of active limestone.

### TASTING NOTES

Dark red and purple to the eye. It has a nose of ripe fruits, violet, nutmeg. Spicy, peppery, and roasted aromas.



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