



**Cuvée « Les 2 Louis »**

**Appellation** Vacqueyras

**Colour** Red

**Grape varieties** 50% Grenache; 50% Mourvèdre.

**Average vine age** 55 years old

**Surface area:** 1 ha

**Yield :** 20 hl / ha

**Maturing** 24 months, 12 months in barrel and 12 months in « petit foudre » of 12 hl

**Packaging** cases or wooden cases of 6 bottles

**Terroir**

This wine comes from a selection of our oldest vines in Vacqueyras. They are located on the land south of scrubland, made of pebbles, gravel, sand and red clay complex, perched on high terraces.

At the time of planting, Grenache and Mourvèdre were planted together. This is why, in this wine, we are reaping the sets to unveil closer to the complexity of the terroirs of Vacqueyras.

**Vine tending**

Traditional soil work, ridging the soil over the bases of the vines to protect them over winter and ploughing this same soil back in the spring (décavaillonnage). This means that there is no need for weed killer. The use of plant health products is limited; we always prefer preventive methods that are mainly organic. We use certified organic fertilizers, applied sparingly to the needs of the vine. We started the organic conversion in 2018, our main aim is to control the process by focusing primarily on wine quality.

**Vinification and maturing**

Fermentation tank timber about 35 days. Separation of 2 lots, one predominantly Mourvèdre other predominantly Grenache, native yeasts, pumping over, punching down and power cuts in the beginning, then a hot maceration end. Running off drops and barreling hot, always keeping the two lots, malolactic fermentation in barrels of 225 liters and 600 liters. Then lightning passage of 12 hl for 12 months In the end we always keep the possibility of assembling the two lots to find the optimal balance between the two varieties.

**Tasting notes**

**Louis is the name of the man who planted this vineyard parcel in the 60s (Louis Chamfort). Louis is also the name we gave to our son born in 2010, when we bought the estate. This wine symbolizes for us the timeless, to guard vocation, it is also indicative of the balance and power of territories of Vacqueyras. .**