



LA CÔTE DE L'ANGE
Châteauneuf-du-Pape

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2010 Chateauneuf-Du-Pape Vivid ruby. Fresh red berries and spices on the fragrant nose and in the mouth. Juicy, focused, silky in texture, with slow-building spiciness. Suave and open-knit, with lingering sweetness and harmonious tannins. **90**

2010 Chateauneuf-Du-Pape Vieilles Vignes (\$62) Opaque ruby. Blackberry and cherry compote on the highly perfumed nose and in the mouth. Smooth and expansive, with strong punch and slowbuilding spice and floral notes. The finish is long and energetic, with only a hint of tannins. I'm surprised by how accessible this wine is right now but suspect that it will be even better with another five or so years of bottle age.

92(+?)

2010 Chateauneuf-Du-Pape Secret De L'Ange (\$76) Glass-staining ruby. Dark berry compote, cola, incense and candied lavender on the heady, complex nose. Sappy and precise, its sweet black and blue fruit flavors lifted by juicy acidity. Spiciness gains strength with air and carries through an impressively long, focused and gently tannic finish. Built to age but surprisingly approachable now.

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