

JEB DUNNUCK 91-93

2017 Domaine de La Cote de L'Ange Châteauneuf-du-Pape

The 2017 Châteauneuf-du-Pape checks in as a blend of 65% Grenache, 25% Mourvèdre, and the rest Syrah that was destemmed and brought up in a mix of foudre, concrete tanks, and tronconique tanks. It's fresher and focused, with good mid-palate depth and concentration, as well as classic notes of dark berry fruits, peppery herbs, graphite, and licorice. It doesn't have the sheer "wow" factor of the 2016, but it's a terrific wine.

Domaine de La Côte de L'Ange produces a ripe yet traditional style of wine. In addition to their Châteauneuf-du-Papes, they make a terrific Côtes du Rhône as well.

- Jeb Dunnuck (8/28/2018)

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