



LA CÔTE DE L'ANGE
Châteauneuf-du-Pape

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**2017 Domaine de la Côte de l'Ange
Châteauneuf du Pape**

While a solid effort, the 2017 Châteauneuf du Pape is disappointing in the context of the past two vintages. It has attractive aromas of stone fruit, raspberry and mint, but it comes across as overly tannic and astringent. It's full-bodied but doesn't seem to have the requisite richness to age successfully. Hopefully, I'm wrong on this one, but I'd opt for drinking it from 2021 to 2025, giving the tannins a chance to soften a bit but catching it before the youthful fruit fades.

- Joe Czerwinski (August, 2019)

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