

Château de St Cosme - "Hominis Fides" AOP Gigondas - red - 2013

Very old grenache vines. Full clusters..

Limestony sand from the Miocène times at the Lieu-dit «Hominis Fides».

Aged for twelve months:30% in new oak-40% in one year old barrels-30% in two years old barrels.

The old Grenache vines growing on sandy soils have an ability to maintain a high level of quality whatever is the vintage. This terroir has a stunning way to regulate itself, especially the water supply aspects. This mostly Grenache vine, already planted when the first official vines registration was done in 1902, contains a few cépages which I don't even know. The vineyards in the ancient times were systematically « complantés ». Have a walk in Hominis Fides is like visiting an old orchard. The profile of Hominis Fides 2013 is very nice. The usual power and depth can be easily found, without being exagerated. Actually the freshness and the reasonnable level of alcohol caracterize the vintage. Around the 18 of october, the stems were ripe, crunchy and yellow. 2013 might be a « ignored great vintage » like the 1991 in the northern Rhone ?.. I am writing this as I am tasting it.

Aromas of forest, ripe strawberry, musc, fenell Bottled without any filtration