

DOMAINE DE FONDRÈCHE VENTOUX ROUGE



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Situated at the foot of Mont Ventoux, the famous mountain in the Vaucluse department of the South of France, The Domaine de Fondrèche estate is a unique place, with a special terroir and climate due to the influence of Mont Ventoux which brings currents of cold air and leads to big differences in temperature between day and night. The vineyards cover 94 acres spread over three communes. The heart of the domaine is the parcel of 70 acres surrounding the winery: clay-limestone with gravel. Situated on a plateau, it drains beautifully but retains water between 5 - 10 meters. Hence the name *Fondrèche*, or the 'standing fountain'. This means no hydric stress for the vines, and no risk of excessive water either. The vineyards are farmed organically (with some biodynamic practices). The lunar calendar is followed in the vineyard and cellar. The vines are an average of 40 years old and grow in the plateau's north and south facing clay-chalk soil. Traditional winemaking method after partial destemming. Vatting for 21-28 days with only a few pigeage operations to ensure slow and gradual extraction. Aged on the lees for 18 months. Temperature-controlled facilities and tanks. Wines can be aged in tank, concrete eggs, barriques or large wooden vats.

Nanou Barthélemy and her son Sébastien Vincenti bought the property in 1993, and have improved it with every successive year. Today it ranks at the top of Ventoux producers, known for fresh, terroir-driven wines.

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Tasting Note:

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