



## Domaine des Schistes Essencial

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| COUNTRY                 | ABV                |
| France                  | 14.5%              |
| REGION                  | VARIETALS          |
| Languedoc-Roussillon    | 37% Lladoner Pelut |
| APPELLATION             | 27% Syrah          |
| AOP Cotes du Roussillon | 33% Grenache Noir  |

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### WINERY

Domaine des Schistes prides itself on the rich history of the Roussillon and operates with a philosophy that prioritizes regional tradition while also emphasizing modern styles and methodology, focusing on estate-bottled wine, vineyard-specific cuvees, and committing to organic winemaking. Their first vinification was in 1989 and their vineyard holdings have since grown to cover 55 hectares.

As the name suggests, the domain is planted mostly on shaly marls. Their vineyards lie on the slopes of the Corbieres foothills, largely in superficial soil that requires the vine's roots to grow deep down into the faults of the mountain to extract the necessary moisture. The diversity of soil, exposure, and microclimate across their vineyard sites enables Domaine des Schistes to produce a range of wines, each with its own striking character yet hallmarked by a mineral touch from the shale soils and the warmth of the Roussillon's grape varieties.

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### CULTIVATION

Made from grapes grown in shaly marls on south-facing slopes of the Tauteval commune, where the fruit ripens early. Mechanically harvested and de-stemmed.

### VINIFICATION

Approximately 10-day maceration period with daily rehydration of the cap. Once malolactic fermentation is complete, the wine is aerated as it is transferred for aging.

### AGING

Aged in concrete.

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### TASTING NOTES

Purple-ruby color with earthy aromas of black currant and leather. Fresh on the palate, offering black raspberry, fine tannins, and tangy acidity.

