



TASTING NOTES

Syrah, Grenache, and Vermentino make up this Rose from the Languedoc in France. Organic viticulture is used for farming, and this medium body, medium acid wine makes for a great patio sipper!

Domaine des Schistes

Illico Rose

COUNTRY ABV France 13.5%

REGION VARIETALS Languedoc-Roussillon 40% Syrah

APPELLATION 50% Grenache Noir IGP Cotes Catalanes 10% Vermentino

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.

CULTIVATION

The Illico wines are made from grapes grown around Estagel in vineyards on the alluvial soil of the Agly river valley at the foot of the schist hillsides. The grapes are hand-picked in the morning and immediately pressed while still cold.

VINIFICATION

Settled in open-top vats and then pumped off and fermented at 20-24°C.

AGING

The wine is transferred to stainless steel tanks after alcoholic fermentation and briefly aged before bottling.

