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Domaine des Schistes Rancio Sec

COUNTRY	ABV
France	17%
REGION	VARIETALS
Languedoc-Roussillon	Grenache Blanc Macabeau
APPELLATION	
IGP Rancio Sec	

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

Old vines grown in alluvial and limestone soil. Hand-picked when grapes are overly ripened, at a potential alcohol level of almost 16 degrees.

VINIFICATION

Very lightly pressed then fermented slow and long at room temperature.

AGING

Aged in oak barrels without topping off on three levels, deep in the cellar.