

Antonio Galloni 94 PTS 2016

Robert Parker 92-94 PTS 2016

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## TASTING NOTES

Structured and intense, this Southern Rhone gem leads with intensity and finds balance on the palate with mid-palate extraction, concentration and mature tanninic structure.

## Domaine de la Charbonnière

Vacqueyras Cuvee Speciale

COUNTRY ABV France 15.5%

REGION VARIETALS
Rhone Grenache
Other

APPELLATION Vacqueyras

## WINERY

Domaine de la Charbonniere has always been deeply familial, with the fourth generation of the Maret family now in charge; the eldest daughter, Veronique Maret, took over winemaking responsibilities in 2007 and she and her sister Caroline have run operations since 2014 (though the entire family, including their mother, Mireille, and father, Michel, can still be found working hard in every aspect of the winemaking process). The estate covers 18.5 hectares of Chateauneuf-du-Pape, 4 hectares of Vacqueyras (in Sarrians), 2 hectares of Cotes du Rhone, and 3 hectares of IGP.

Veronique's most notable influences at Domaine de la Charbonniere have been to update and modernize the winery itself while also more adamantly employing organic winemaking practices. She brings new perspective and energy to a traditional estate that will surely find itself in the spotlight in vintages to come.