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GUILLAUME GONNET, MUSCAT DE BEAUMES DE VENISE, SOUTHERN RHÔNE, FRANCE (37.5CL.), 2018



Producer Profile

The energetic and charismatic Guillaume Gonnet is not your average Rhône winemaker. Extremely open in his attitude, his curious, boundary challenging approach extends beyond wine. He travelled to the far ends of the earth, revelling in the opportunity to surf some of the best waves in the world while learning his craft in various Australian and New Zealand regions.

Returning to the Rhône, now with his Australian wife Kelly, Guillaume has shown similar energy for his family estate and for his own nascent project. This land locked surfer may be miles from the ocean but is happily riding the wave of new found enthusiasm for Grenache based wines. Pursuing biodynamics wherever possible, allowing his fruit to express itself freely through hands-off winemaking and displaying his fascination for the varying soils of the Rhône through his diverse range of wines, he's just the sort of restless creative that we love to work with.

Viticulture

The Muscat de Beaumes-de-Venise is unique in the Rhône Valley. Planted on narrow terraces, known as "restanques" or "faysses", and supported by walls, the muscat vines have shaped the region's landscape.

Winemaking

After crushing the must is then immediately transferred to stainless steel vats and fermented at low temperatures (4° to 6° C) in order to preserve the extraction of aromas. The fermentation process usually lasts two to four weeks. When the time is right, fermentation is stopped by the addition of alcohol to the residue (must) so as to obtain a wine with an alcoholic content of about 15% in volume and around 110 grams per liter of residual sugar.

Tasting Note

A welcoming bouquet of white flowers, peach and exotic fruits greet the nose, which follow on to the palate with a deliciously sweet finish.

Food Matching

This pairs well with spicy food, game and red meats and even cheeses.



Technical Details

Varieties:

Muscat Blanc à Petits
Grains 100%

ABV: 15%

Closure: Screw cap

Colour: White

Style: Still wine

Case Size: 12 x 37.5cl

Oak Treatment

No oak treatment