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LES DAUPHINS RESERVE, ROUGE CÔTES DU RHÔNE 2013

THE DATA

Country: France

Appellation: Côtes du Rhône Rouge

Varietals: Grenache, Syrah, Mourvedre

Retail Price: \$12.99

ABV: 13%



HOW TO ENJOY IT

This needs nothing more than a glass but it's fantastic with nearly everything from pizza to Coq au Vin. Like many Côtes du Rhône the beautiful wine is extremely versatile seamlessly marrying with a wide variety of dishes or occasions.

COOL FACTOR

A

Who doesn't love a good Côtes du Rhône sold at a sensible price? Cool is being unpretentious while genuine and delivering great flavor.

Grade - A



ANALYSIS



The wines from **Les Dauphins have taken Europe by storm**. The perfect combination of style, hedonistic pleasure and value have made the brand an overnight success. **Now these wines have arrived in the US**. Their Côtes du Rhône Rouge is made with a classic blend of 70% Grenache, 25% Syrah, and 5% Mourvedre from vines that average 30 years in age.



TALKING POINTS

FROM LES DAUPHINS



Les Dauphins has been a hot brand of wine from the famed Côtes du Rhône since its introduction in 2011. The wines are available in 25 countries and are just now making their way to retailers and restaurants in the USA. The wines are crafted by winemaker Guillaume Vali.

VALUE GRADE



A

I drink a good deal of Côtes du Rhône because it's hard to find wines that offer more pleasure and style for the dollar. This wine punches well above it's weight.

Grade - A

IN THE GLASS

Appearance: Deep, crimson red with hints of ruby.

Aromatics: The nose classically represents the region offering waves of ripe and dried tart berries with accents of earth, wild flowers, brown baking spices, and dried herbs.

Flavor: The palate echoes the nose delivering a juicy core of ripe black fruits with flanking notes of herbs, earth, and spice.

Intensity & Texture: Medium-bodied with ideal balance along with a vibrant dose of acidity and soft tannins.

MORE THAN
THE SCORE



FIERCELY
INDEPENDENT