

An Integrity Wines Selection

Domaine Chaume- Arnaud Vinsobres 2009

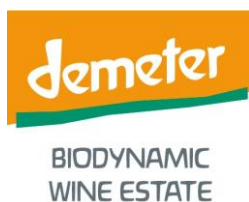
- **soil type:** stony, clayey, limestone
- **size of vineyards:** 14,5 ha
- **yield:** 33 ha
- **production level:** 60,000 bots
- **exposition:** south
- **ages of vines:** 20 to 80 Yrs.
- **hand harvested** yes
- **hand sorted** yes
- **maceration type:** no maceration, direct press
- **élevage:** concrete tank
- **bâtonnage:** no
- **fermentation:** 18 days
- **acidity:** 4 g/l
- **PH:** 3,66
- **Alc:** 14,5
- **sugar:** < 2 g
- **sulphur (total):** 40 mg/l



Valérie and her husband Philippe own 33 ha in Vinsobres and 6 ha in Cotes du Rhone Village Massif d'Uchaux and Saint-Maurice. The domaine is certified biodynamic and is made up principally of Grenache (60%); Syrah (20%) with some very old vine Cinsault, Carignan and Mourvedre (10%) plus Viognier and Marsanne (10%). Vines average 30 years old, going up to 65 for the Carignan in the Vinsobres cuvée. Yields are kept low, all soil treatments are organic, grapes are all harvested by hand, and then de-stemmed and fermented with natural yeasts. Aging occurs in stainless steel and concrete tanks.

Chaume-Arnaud began with a family-owned estate that grew grapes for many generations. For decades the Chaume family historically sold their entire crop to the local cooperative. In 1996, Valérie Chaume struck out on her own and in 1999, together with her husband, Philippe, began to make their own wine. Philippe tends the vineyards; Valerie makes the wine.

- Calcareous soils of clay and Gravel, the best exposed slopes from St. Maurice to Vinsobres
- High elevation, old vines, low yields, cooling breezes
- Minimal intervention both in the vineyard and in the cellar



Valerie and Philippe produce several wines: Marselan IGP, Cote du Rhone, "La Coquette," Vinsobres, Vinsobres "La Cadène" (from the best parcels with 60-years-old Grenache and 50-years-old Syrah and sometimes some Mourvedre); Cotes du Rhone Village Massif d'Uchaux Granges Rouge, Cotes du Rhone Village Saint-Maurice, Cotes du Rhone and Cotes du Rhone Blanc "La Cadène."

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