



ARABESQUE RED VACQUEYRAS

An array of terroirs

The elegance of perfect balance. The harmony of this wine's flavours is underscored by the complementary match of its three varieties: Grenache, Syrah and Mourvèdre. It has an elegantly fine, thoroughbred structure, which underlays the continuity of one's tasting perceptions. It first exudes presence, then rounded style and a lingering finish.



GRAPE VARIETIES

A lion's share of Grenache (70%) for a delicate structure and complex aromas of fruits, spice and sometimes liquorice too.

Syrah (25%) for its colour, richness and tannins.

And Mourvèdre (5%) for the aromatic persistence it generates on the palate and its mellow, slow-ripening tannins.



VINIFICATION

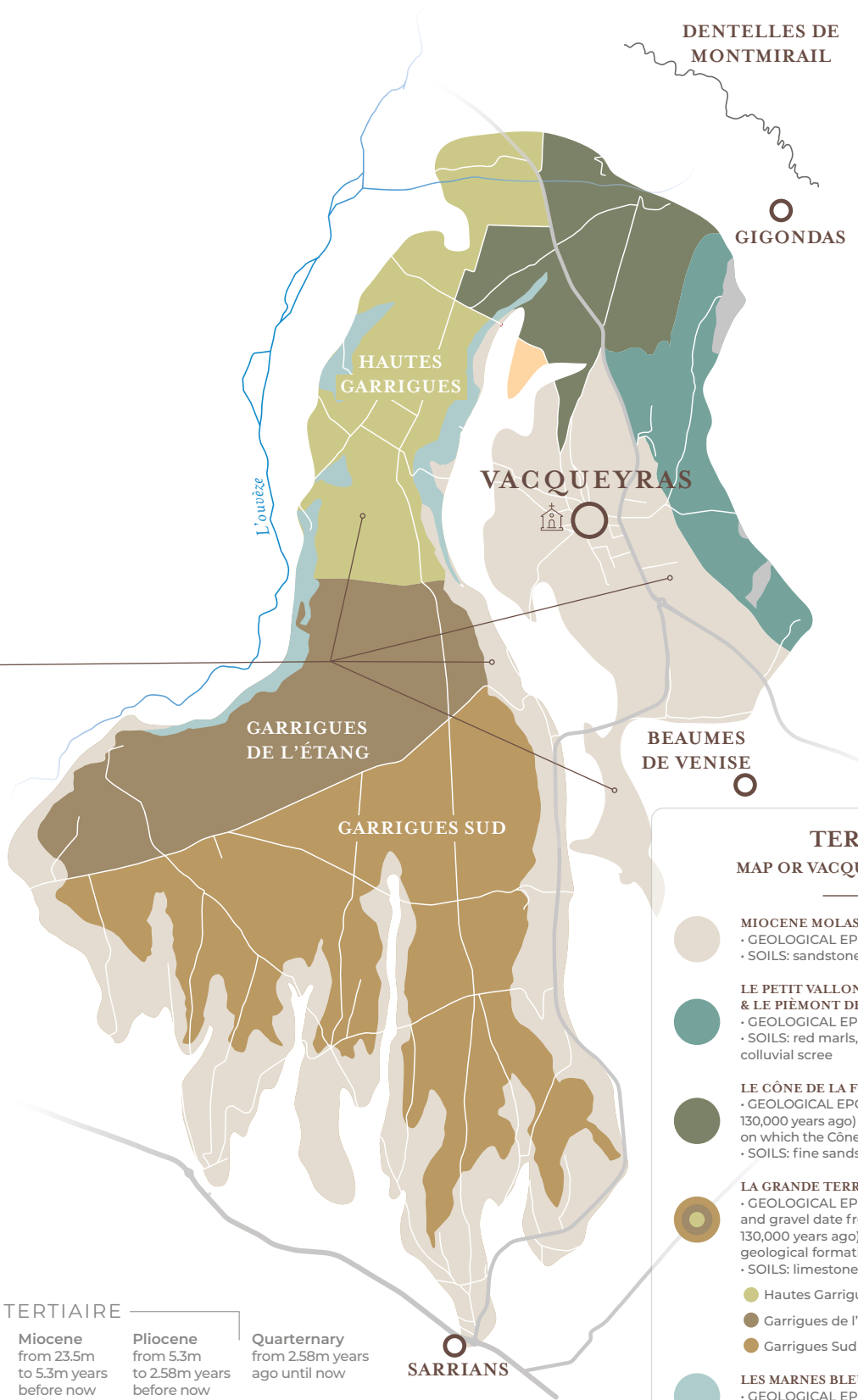
Each variety - in a patchwork of plots spread across the Vacqueyras appellation - is vinified separately to foster complexity and safeguard the terroir's unique signature. The wine is aged in concrete vats to preserve the grapes' natural flavours.



FOOD PAIRING

Mature after 2-4 years but can be laid down for up to eight years, or even longer. Arabesque is a delicate match for stuffed baby vegetables or black-olive condiments.

A cuvée mentioned in *Le vin*, the superb book by Antoine Pétrus (a double Meilleur Ouvrier de France award recipient), in the section on "my essential Southern Rhône estates".



TERROIRS
MAP OF VACQUEYRAS TERROIRS

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MIOCENE MOLASSE AND MARL
 • GEOLOGICAL EPOCH: Miocene
 • SOILS: sandstone and marl
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LE PETIT VALLON DE L'OLIGOCÈNE & LE PIÉMONT DE BEAUREGARD
 • GEOLOGICAL EPOCH: Oligocene
 • SOILS: red marls, clay-rich sands, cornstone and colluvial scree
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LE CÔNE DE LA FONT DES PAPES
 • GEOLOGICAL EPOCHS: Quarternary (450,000 to 130,000 years ago) for the Cône; Miocene for the molasse on which the Cône sits.
 • SOILS: fine sands and clays
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LA GRANDE TERRASSE DES GARRIGUES
 • GEOLOGICAL EPOCHS: the limestone pebbles and gravel date from the Quarternary (450,000 to 130,000 years ago) and sit on Miocene and Pliocene geological formations.
 • SOILS: limestone pebbles and gravels, brown clays.
 -  Hautes Garrigues
 -  Garrigues de l'Étang
 -  Garrigues Sud
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LES MARNES BLEUES DU PLIOCÈNE
 • GEOLOGICAL EPOCH: Pliocene
 • SOILS: marls and fine sands

