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MAISON FONDÉE EN 1797

DUET 2011

- REGION Côteaux de l'Ardèche
- VILLAGE Ardèche

## The Vine

- AVERAGE VINE AGE 15 years
- SOIL Clay and limestone.
- AVERAGE YIELD 45 hl/ha
- HARVEST Hand picked and mechanical

- APPELLATION Indication Géographique Protégée Ardèche
- GRAPE VARIETY Chardonnay and Viognier

## Vinification & Ageing

- FERMENTATION Traditional in stainless steel vats, temperature controlled with complete malolactic fermentation
- AGEING 8 to 10 months ageing in stainless steel vats

## Description

After having great success with our "Ardèche Chardonnay" and our "Grand Ardèche", Maison Louis Latour became interested in planting the Viognier grape variety on Ardèche soils and in the original blend that could be made with Chardonnay. Our "Duet" is unique because the two different grapes are harvested and fermented at the same time. The vines are quite far apart from one another and the last week of harvesting Chardonnay coincides with the first week of harvesting Viognier, therefore preserving the acidity of the Viognier. This results in a balanced wine, where neither variety overpowers the other. It is a fine, supple, and elegant wine.

## Wine tasting

- TASTING NOTE With a golden yellow-green colour and a fresh nose of citrus fruits, the Duet 2011 is silky smooth in the mouth. It is a bit nervous on the finish; a reflection of the 2011 vintage.
- CELLARING POTENTIAL 2-3 years
- FOOD PAIRING Apéritif charcuterie fish.
- Serving temperature 10-12°

