

MAISON FONDÉE EN 1797

# GRAND ARDÈCHE 2016

- REGION Côteaux de l'Ardèche
- VILLAGE Ardèche

- APPELLATION Indication Géographique Protégée Ardèche
- GRAPE VARIETY Chardonnay

#### The Vine

- AVERAGE VINE AGE 20 years
- SOIL Clay and chalk.
- AVERAGE YIELD 45 hl/ha
- HARVEST Mechanical

## Vinification & Ageing

- FERMENTATION Traditional in oak barrels with complete malolactic fermentation
- AGEING 8 to 10 months ageing in oak barrels, 20% new
- BARRELS Louis Latour cooperage, French oak, medium toasted

## Description

Maison Louis Latour is one of the most innovative producers in Burgundy whilst maintaining its traditional image. In 1979, with a view to expanding the business the valley of the Ardèche river with its clay and limestone-based soils was chosen as the ideal location to produce top-quality Chardonnay wines. The Grand Ardèche comes from the best vineyards, carefully selected every year when harvesting begins. The grapes are pressed and the must is placed immediately in oak barrels made by the cooperage at Latour, where the wine will age for approximately 10 months, like the great wines of Burgundy.

## Wine tasting

- TASTING NOTE The colour of this Grand Ardèche 2016 is characterized by a pale golden colour. This wine offers lovely notes of brioche, almond, fresh apricot and vanilla. The ample mouth reminds aromas of almond paste and vanilla. Nice final tension.
- CELLARING POTENTIAL 3-5 years
- FOOD PAIRING Aperitif charcuterie shellfish fish.
- SERVING TEMPERATURE 10-12°

#### Press review

Grand Ardèche 2016 - Harpers Wine Stars - November 2018 - 2 stars Grand Ardèche 2016 - Wine Spectator - November 2018 - Best value