

Domaine **Le Clos Rouge** was created in 2013 by Krystel Brot-Weissenbach and Joël Peyre.

Located in Saint-Jean-de-la Blaquière, in the Languedoc, in the heart of the AOC Terrasses du Larzac on an altitude terroir where we find red ruffles (dating from the Permian period, 300 million year) and schists. These terroirs bring structure and minerality to the wines.

The entire vineyard is cultivated organically

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Cuvée: Babel

Appellation: AOC Terrasses du Larzac

Couleur : Red Millesime : 2018

Cépages : Syrah (50%), Grenache (30%) Cinsault (20%)

Label: In process of organic conversation (C3)

Dégustation: A very nice balance, a smoky nose and blond tobacco which materializes in a palate of violet and liquorice.

The finish, on the cinsault, is spicy, delicate and silky. Crazy charm for this 2018.

Nature du sol : Schists

Vignes: parcel over 30 to 80 years old, short pruning, in a goblet except the Syrah in Royat double

Rendement: 20 hL/ha

Vinification:

- The harvest is manual, in boxes of 10-20 kg.
- Total destemming, indigenous yeasts.
- Temperature control
- Daily reassembly during alcoholic fermentation, then according to tasting during the maceration period. Maceration from 15 days to 4 weeks depending on the grape varieties and the objectives of the wine.

Elevage: 24 mois in tank and oak barrels (for the syrah)





"Medium deep colour with a purple hue. Spicy and layered nose, violet, lavender, red and dark berries with gingerbread spices. Nice density on the palate, fresh and vibrant with notes of freshly crushed fruit, floral and spicy, young but ripe tannin, long persistency and good drinkability."





BABEL 2018 : MATINEE:

Nice brightness, some cassis, some cherry fruit, with purity and freshness / APRES-MIDI: Floral, aromatic, perfumed,

lovely depth, elegant, fine-grained tannins Georgina Hindle



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Wild strawberries and spicy cherry notes on the nose. The palate is succulent and enveloping, the tannins coating the mouth and providing support to the dark fruit and rich garrigue flavours. It's juicy and offers a hit of acidity and liveliness but the tannins dominate from the mid-palate onwards and the fruit gets a bit lost. No

doubt needs more time to settle and integrate. Available for around 15 euros. Drinking Window 2022 - 2028

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Le Clos Rouge Babel AOP Terrasses du Larzac 2018

(14% ABV)

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SF | Dense ruby, blood at the rim, nothing sinister, however. The nose is autumnal, leafy, resinous; peat and iodine, recent bonfires, and a hint of eucalypt. A full-on cerebral structure, a touch austere. Very tannic, but there is weight to carry it over five years and a real potential for gastronomic pairing. | 88

AJ | Saturated black-red, still opaque, with copious purple glints. Sweet, warm, fresh, and scented, with both vivacious black fruits and the thyme and juniper you hope for; some Syrah citrus, too. Lovely aromatics here. Vivid, juicy, and pure, with a big gush of blackcurrant and red-apple fruit. The palate carries the same fine aromatics, those herbal and citrus notes, and it makes for an alluring, alive, energetic, and compelling mix. Excellent, boisterous wine. | 91

AR | A deepish, youthful ruby. This shows signs of overripeness in the aroma, with a somewhat prune-like, plummy note dominating. While it would be unfair to characterize it as jammy, there's certainly a very ripe-plum character, which, whether you like those flavors or not, is compromised by a level of extraction that renders the fruit stickily chewy and dry and, ultimately, rather joyless. | 85