

CHÂTEAU MINUTY

Brought to life in 2014, Minuty's modern tasting room (pictured) and cellar is perfectly situated on the hillsides overlooking the Bay of St. Tropez.



Prestige Rosé 2020

Côtes de Provence, France

ESTATE

Château Minuty is the global leader in Côtes de Provence rosé, and beyond that it can be argued is the most important estate in the history of Provence rosé. The Saint-Tropez based, family owned estate has been, since its founding, one of the quality leaders for the region. Minuty then became one of the most visible producers in the second half of the 20th century, a result of quality production and commercial foresight when no one in the region could imagine the global phenomenon Provence rosé would become. And then in the last two decades, Minuty defined the vision for and led the unbelievable growth in Provence rosé around the globe. All this achieved by a family estate now in its third generation, led by two brothers overseeing all the vineyard work, winemaking and sales.

WINE

If you notice just one wine on the beach and seaside restaurants in the south of France, it is almost certainly Minuty Prestige. This wine has become the emblem of the Riviera lifestyle, and it is a place that has been earned through the unbelievable dedication to quality by the Minuty family.

VINEYARD

Prestige comes from two Minuty estate vineyards: the original estate vineyard in Saint-Tropez, and Château Verez, located in the hills of Vidauban. Both vineyards are 100% hand harvested.

Farming: HVE (Sustainable) Certification

WINEMAKING

Harvest: September 2020

Variety: 60% Grenache, 20% Syrah, 10% Cinsault, 10% Tibouren

Fermentation: Direct pressing to extract free-run juice only; low temperature fermentation

Aging: 4 months, stainless steel

Alcohol: 12.5%

VINTAGE

The 2020 vintage saw a particularly warm winter causing an early growing season. Frost in March has impacted the overall production, but the consequent natural low yields have resulted in great concentration of the berries producing wines with exceptionally rich aromas. The frost contributed also in slowing down the growing cycle allowing moderate sugar concentration and lower alcohol (around 12.5%) while harvesting at full phenolic ripeness. The result is one of the best vintages in recent years, expressive and marked by a delightful freshness, signature of Minuty rosés.

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"Diaphanous orange-pink. Bright and sharply focused on the nose, displaying red berry, nectarine and orange zest aromas, plus floral and mineral overtones. Fresh strawberry and blood orange flavors show very good depth and are braced by a sharpening jolt of juicy acidity. The floral note repeats on the lively finish, which lingers with very good tenacity." - J.R., 6/2021

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