



## PAUL JABOULET AÎNÉ

# Parallèle 45 Côtes-du-Rhône Blanc 2022

# France / Rhône

A classic since 1950, Parallèle 45 is celebrated around the globe and is one of France's most recognizable wines. Parallèle 45 is named after the 45th parallel, a famous circle of latitude that marks the midpoint between the equator and the North Pole. It also passes over the cellars of Paul Jaboulet Aîné.

The Viognier, Grenache Blanc, Roussanne, Clairette, and Marsanne grapes for Parallèle 45 Blanc are farmed organically. They grow on 40-year-old vines in clayey limestone and alluvial deposits composed of round pebbles. The grapes are destemmed, crushed, and undergo fermentation. The wine is then aged for 6 months in stainless steel vats on fine lees.

#### HARVEST NOTE

The 2022 vintage began with a lack of rainfall during the winter months. Budburst was rather late but vegetative development accelerated quickly. Flowering took place towards the later half of May and very quickly due to high temperatures. The summer started with a stormy episode that gaves the vines some rest. Very hot weather followed in July and August without any rain. Rains in mid-August allowed the vines to recover. The grapes were on average lower in weight than normal, promising a rich vintage with concentrated flavors and beautiful colors.

#### **TASTING NOTE**

A fruity white wine with notes of acacia and white peach, and a finish full of minerality

## TECHNICAL DATA

GRAPES: Viognier (47%), Grenache Blanc (21%), Roussanne (18%), Clairette (9%), Marsanne (5%)

APPELLATION: Côtes du Rhône AOC

PH: 3.63 ACIDITY: 3.44 ABV: 13.5%

AGING: 6 months on fine lees in stainless steel vats

MALOLACTIC FERMENTATION: No

#### **UNIQUE SELLING POINTS**

- · Named after the 45th parallel, a circle of latitude that passes over Jaboulet cellars
- A classic since 1950 one of France's most recognizable wines
- · Fruit forward, approachable, and best enjoyed young
- · Grapes are farmed organically





"What makes a great wine, what makes it inimitable and constant, is the terroir in which it is born."

Caroline Frey, Winemaker