

**SL44110 Domaine Grandy 2014, Vacqueyras 13.5****£10.95**

We have stocked this wine for many years now, and it always offers consistent quality. This estate is now under the careful guardianship of La Cave Les Coteaux du Rhone who also make the perennially popular wine 'Arbouse', also found in this feature. A blend of 60% Grenache, 20% Syrah and 20% Mourvèdre from vines planted on pebbly terraces in the Vacqueyras scrubland. Aromas of white pepper, violets and whisps of smoke add complexity to fruit notes of plum, raspberry and blackberry. Full-bodied and flavoursome with a velvety mouthfeel. Ripe autumnal fruit and mocha flavours are framed nicely on the palate by an integrated acidity and a long spicy finish. Drink now to 2020+. Enjoy with braised pheasant.

**SL44970 Domaine le Péage 2012, Gigondas 14.5%****£14.95**

Domaine le Péage has been in the Chauvet family's possession for more than 100 years, and was one of the first domains in the region to bottle on site in 1945. We have championed this estate for many years and believe this Gigondas shows great typicity. Fragrant notes of leather, plum and kirsch on the nose follow on to the palate with a dusting of cinnamon spice on the finish. Plenty of juicy Grenache character showing on the palate, but it also reveals the freshness of the vintage. Enjoy until 2022. Enjoy with tagine or winter casseroles.

**\*Enjoy Free Delivery, when you include a sampler case (or any featured six!) as part of a twelve bottle order.**

**SL47842 Southern Rhone Red Sampler Case \*Save £9.70 £61.95**

2 x SL47295	Arbouse 2015, Côtes du Rhône Villages	£8.95
2 x SL47236	Domaine la Lyre Rouge 2014, Cotes du Rhone	£9.95
1 x SL44110	Domaine Grandy 2014, Vacqueyras	£10.95
1 x SL47751	Domaine la Soumade 2014, Rasteau	£14.95

**SL47843 Rhone Whites Sampler Case \*Save £9.35 £56.95**

3 x SL47237	Domaine la Lyre Blanc 2014, Cotes de Rhone	£9.95
3 x SL44805	Louis Latour Chardonnay 2014, Ardeche	£9.50



Travelling southwards from Lyon through the Rhone valley the mountains of the north give way to the open plains of the Southern Rhone. A landscape of garrigue and stony soils washed in Mediterranean sunshine gives birth to the warm, rich and openly fruity wines that we love and adore.

The red wines are predominantly Grenache, blended with Mourvedre and Syrah for structure and depth. The whites are predominantly Grenache Blanc blended with other varietals such as Ugni Blanc, and increasingly Viognier. The vineyards cover the undulating plains like a patchwork quilt, and the vines nestle low to the ground in bush form. This protects them from the strong Mistral winds that blow down through the valley.

Some of the best value wines in the Rhone Valley and even within France as a whole, come from the Cotes du Rhone appellation. Made for early drinking, they provide plenty of character without breaking the bank. The next step up in quality is Cotes du Rhone Villages. Wines with this label must fulfil stricter minimum requirements, such as lower yields and come from select communes possessing superior terroir. The top tier of quality in the Southern Rhone has a cru status. These include well-known appellations such as Gigondas, Vacqueyras and Rasteau, and perhaps the best known region of them all, Chateauneuf-du-Pape.

The wines in this feature are some of the best value we have found from this great region; you can enjoy them with **Free Delivery** when you include any six as part of a twelve bottle order. Simply enter the code '**RHONEFREE**' at our online checkout, and click 'check code'. You can save even more with our discounted Six-Bottle Red and White Sampler Cases.

**SL47333 Domaine Saint-Andre 2015, Costieres de Nimes 12.5% £9.95**  
**Limited Availability**

Costieres de Nimes is the most southerly appellation of the Rhone, located around the Delta. A lesser known area, it is a great hunting ground for wines that offer incredible value, and Domaine Saint-Andre delivers just that. An aromatic nose: notes of cherry and blackcurrant follow onto a supple and round palate. An 'easy-drinking' style with plenty of freshness on the finish. To be enjoyed over the next year or two. Pair with charcuterie or soft cheeses.

**SL47295 Jean-Henri Fabre Arouse 2015, Côtes du Rhône Villages 14.5% £8.95**

'Arouse' is produced by the Cave Coteaux du Rhône, a cooperative established in 1926 and based in the village of Sérignan du Comtat, north of Orange. The local growers by working together are able to collectively make wine which provides excellent value for money. Full-flavoured and fragrant, the 'Arouse' is a blend of Grenache, Syrah and Carignan from 30-year-old vines. Aromas of ripe black cherry, blackberry and strawberry lead onto a fleshy palate with nuances of spicy plum and hints of garrigue. Pair with grilled meat or a Provençal casserole. Enjoy over the next 2-3 years.

**Domaine la Soumade**

Founded by André Roméro in 1979, by 1990, this passionate winegrower had achieved his long-cherished ambition of selling his entire production in bottle. Domaine La Soumade is now considered one of Rasteau's leading lights, with Robert Parker declaring Andre as 'the superstar of Rasteau'.

**SL47785 Domaine La Soumade 2015, Côtes du Rhône 14% £12.95**

A blend of 80% Grenache and 20% Syrah which were harvested by hand, with only the best grapes selected on a sorting table in the vineyard, the wine was then matured for 18 months on its fine lees in stainless steel tanks. An attractive raspberry and strawberry perfume on the nose. The palate is juicy and fruity with spice on the finish. Although technically a 'humble' Cotes du Rhone, this is a single estate wine and demonstrates impressive concentration and length. Enjoy with braises and stews. Drink now until 2020.

**SL47751 Domaine la Soumade 2014, Rasteau 14% £14.95**

A blend of 80% Grenache, 10% Syrah and 10% Mourvèdre which were harvested by hand, and with only the best grapes selected on a sorting table in the vineyard. The wine was then matured for 18 months on its fine lees in stainless steel tanks. A herbaceous note on the nose leads to a palate of rich bramble fruit and delicate spice with a generous mouth-feel. Showing excellent concentration, it would partner well with game birds such as partridge. Drink now until 2022+.

**Domaine la Lyre**

The Domaine la Lyre is a beautiful Domaine of 11 acres located in Pouzilhac, a charming village near Uzès and the Pont du Gard in the South of France. The entire Domaine is cultivated organically. The Lyre wines are new to our list; we were allured by their charming character and great value.

**SL47236 Domaine la Lyre Rouge 2014, Cotes du Rhone 13% £9.95**

The blend of Syrah and Grenache invokes aromas of strawberry, raspberry and blackberry fruit - lifted by gentle floral notes reminiscent of jasmine and peony. A powerful yet elegant palate, this is a full-bodied wine with smooth sumptuous tannins. A good food match with red meats, game stew and cheeses such as Camembert. Enjoy over the next 2-3 years.

**SL47237 Domaine la Lyre Blanc 2014, Cotes de Rhone 13% £9.95**

A typical white Rhone blend of Grenache Blanc, Ugni Blanc and Viognier; it displays aromas of pear and citrus with a subtle note of white flowers. A ripe and fruity palate with a full mouth-feel is balanced by its bright acidity. Pair with fish and seafood dishes as well as poultry in creamy sauces. Enjoy now until 2018.

**SL44805 Louis Latour Chardonnay 2014, Ardeche 13.5% £9.50**

Our inclusion of this wine is a little naughty, as strictly speaking the IGP region of Ardeche falls over Northern Rhone territory. However we wanted to offer variety within this feature, more importantly, it's a rather nice drop! Maison Louis Latour is traditionally a Burgundian producer, however they recognised the Ardèche region as an ideal location to produce top-quality Chardonnay wine, with its clay and limestone-based soils. A delicious bouquet of honey accompanies aromas and flavours of yellow peach and apricot. In the mouth it is rounded with a lovely lasting freshness. Enjoy with roast chicken with dauphinoise potatoes.

