

LITTLE JAMES' BASKET PRESS



Little James' Basket Press red – Vin de France

Multiple Vintages: Solera from 1999 to 2017

Fermentation and ageing in concrete tanks. 100% Grenache

Once we have added the 2018, our Little James Solera will be twenty years old – perhaps that should be cause for a celebration! This wine is in itself a celebration of the Grenache grape variety and its virtually limitless potential. How many grape varieties can claim to produce a very good, fresh rosé, a top, structured red with lengthy ageability, an appealing fruity wine, a late harvest sweet wine pairing with chocolate cake and an oxidative rancio in a slightly outdated style? I cannot think of any other grape variety capable of embracing such a variety of styles so effortlessly. Solera is one example of the multiple talents of Grenache which seems to seamlessly blend vintages with disconcerting ease. Like our Côtes du Rhône, Little James is a gateway wine for those who want to discover the 'flavour' of the Rhone. Adding the 2017 vintage this year will bolster fruit and intensity. I hope you will enjoy it.

This year, the first bottling, including the 2017 vintage, will be carried out in February 2018.

Oriental spices, gingerbread, strawberry and tar.