

COUNTRY France

REGION Rhône

APPELLATION Rasteau

SOIL TYPE blue clay

VARIETAL(S) 100% Grenache

FARMING Organic

WINEMAKER Georges Perrot



2009 Domaine La Collière Vin Doux Naturel

IMPORTED BY European Cellars (Eric Solomon)

ABOUT THE PRODUCER

Domaine la Colliere is a small family estate founded by Georges Perrot. He began bottling his own wine in 2003, renting some cellar space from the mad king of Rasteau, Andre Romero of Domaine Soumade fame. Prior to 2003 all the juice went to one of the big negociants. Reknowned late Rhône enologist Philippe Cambie consulted on the project, which is already receiving rave reviews from the press. Wine Advocate says, "This unheralded estate is making fabulous wines from their 62 acres of vines spread throughout Rasteau and the surrounding Côtes-du-Rhône appellation. Proprietor Georges Perot utilized the services of the enormously talented Philippe Cambie, and, as one might expect, these are full-flavored, wonderfully pure, complex wines that respect their appellation."

WINE NOTES

Sweet, fortified wine. The production of fortified wine was introduced in 1934, and in 1944, the Rasteau AOC for VDN wines was created. Main grape varieties for the fortified wines are Grenache Noir, Grenache Gris and Grenache Blanc. A vin doux naturel wine must reach a minimum alcohol content of 15%, with the maximum being 21.5%. Ageing in concrete beton tanks.