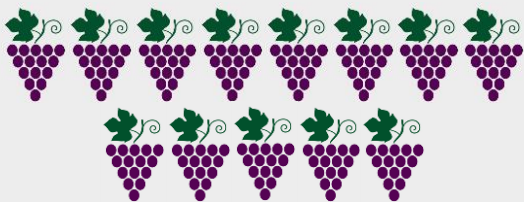


The Leading Grapes: Grenache



The Châteauneuf 13:
Handout Part Two

Jane



Grenache has three color mutations:
Noir, Blanc, and Gris...

All three are authorized for use in C-d-P

Grenache Noir aka:

Gironet
Roussillon Cannonau
Vernaccia Nera Alicante
Garnacha Tocaï Rosso
Garnaxa Aragones
Granache

The name "Garnacha" may be related to the Italian word "Vernaccia" (indigenous)...



...or may be related to a royal gown (*garnaxa* in Catalan) that was a deep royal red color

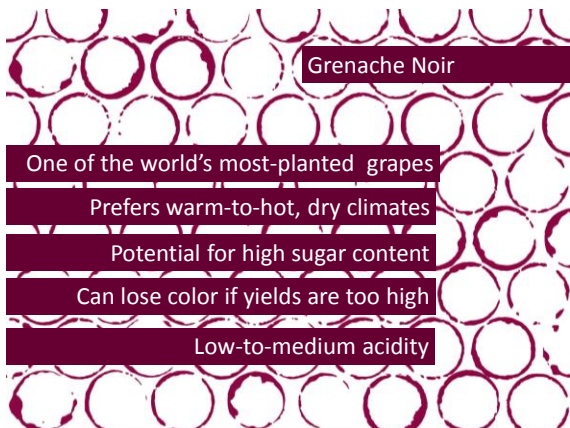
Grenache Noir

- 94,000 acres in France
- 75,400 acres in Spain
- 7,000 acres in Italy
- 7,000 acres in the US
- 5,000 acres in Australia
- 500 acres in South Africa

#1 red grape in the Rhône

Where its grown: Grenache Noir

Rioja
 Washington State Sardinia
 California
 Priorat South Africa Navarra
 Southern Rhône
 The Rhône Blend Australia



Grenache Noir

- One of the world's most-planted grapes
- Prefers warm-to-hot, dry climates
- Potential for high sugar content
- Can lose color if yields are too high
- Low-to-medium acidity



Grenache Noir

Grenache Blanc aka:

Belon Alicante Blanca
 Bernacha Blanca
 Rool Grenache Garnacho Blanco
 Lladanor Blanca Belan
 Sillina Lanc

Grenache Blanc

12,000 acres in Southern France

#1 is Viognier

#2 white grape of the Rhône

Tends to oxidize

Used in blends or varietal wines

Main grape variety of white C-d-P

Where its grown: Grenache Blanc

Roussillon
Southern Rhône
Macedonia
Priorat Banyuls
South Africa
Catalunya
California
Croatia
Costers del Segre
Rioja
Aragon
Mauvy
Rivesaltes

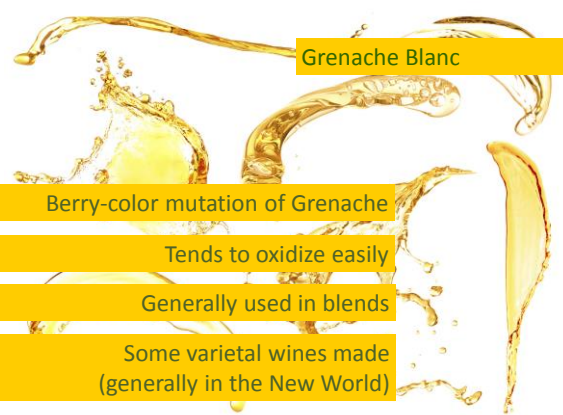
Grenache Blanc

Berry-color mutation of Grenache

Tends to oxidize easily

Generally used in blends

Some varietal wines made (generally in the New World)



Grenache Blanc



Grenache Gris aka:

GarnatxaGris
GarnachaRioja GrenacheRouge
GreyGrenache GarnachaRoja
RoscodosPinheiro PirosGrenache

Grenache Gris

Berry-color mutation of Grenache

About 9,000 acres in France

Some acreage in Spain and California

Used in blends, rarely as a varietal

Where its grown: Grenache Gris

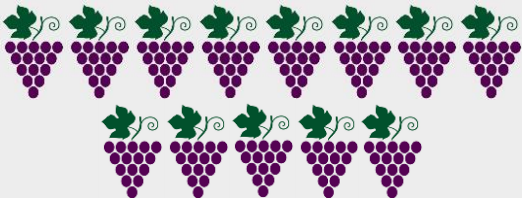
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 CastillaLaMancha
 California
 Roussillon
 Catalonia
 Empordà
 Montsant
 SouthAfrica
 Languedoc
 SouthernRhône



Grenache Gris



The Leading Grapes:
Mourvèdre



Val

Mourvèdre

- ✦ Less than 10% of plantings
- ✦ Originated in Spain
- ✦ Graciano's brother
- ✦ Mediterranean regions
- ✦ Gobelet training
- ✦ Brings structure, tannins, black fruits, game & leather
- ✦ Some producers use up to 30%, some 100%





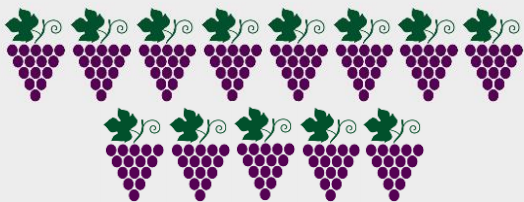
Mourvèdre

- ✦ Also found:
 - ✦ Bandol
 - ✦ Languedoc-Roussillon
 - ✦ Jumilla
 - ✦ Australia
 - ✦ California
- ✦ Synonyms:
 - ✦ Monastrell
 - ✦ Mataro



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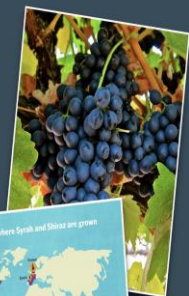
The Leading Grapes: Syrah



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Syrah

- An international wine grape variety that originated in the Northern Rhone
- It is a cross of Dureza and Mondeuse Blanc and is related to Pinot noir
- It is a thick skinned grape that produces some of the worlds darkest full-bodied red wines



Syrah's Visual Characteristics

FLAVOR PAIRING WITH SYRAH

<p>Light-Bodied Syrah</p> <p>Sauvignon, Citrus, Plum, Peppercorn, Tart Dried Berries, Herbs, Smoke, Blackened Shrimp Tail</p> <p>COLDER CLIMATE SYRAH Northern Rhone, Washington State, Sonoma, Santa Ynez, Chile</p>	<p>Full-Bodied Syrah</p> <p>Blackberry, Blackberry, Citrus, Almonds, Black Pepper, Cinnamon, Vanilla, Vanilla, Sweet Tobacco</p> <p>WARMER CLIMATE SYRAH Australia, Paso Robles, Santa Ynez Valley, Napa, Sonoma, Spain</p>
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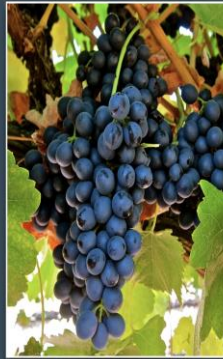
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Syrah's Visual Characteristics



Syrah

- The origin of its name is a bit of a mystery
- It is very expressive of the terroir where it is grown
- Common flavor profiles include:
 - ▶ **FRUIT:** Blackberry, Blueberry, Boysenberry
 - ▶ **OTHER:** Olive, black pepper, bacon fat, roasted meat, licorice, chocolate, tobacco and smoke



Role in Chateaufeuf du Pape

- Second most common variety in the CdP blend
- Adds color, weight and spice



Best Examples of Syrah

- Hermitage
 - ▶ AOP in the South East portion of the Northern Rhone
 - ▶ Syrah is the only authorized red grape variety
 - ▶ Wines may include up to 15% Marsanne or Roussanne but most producers use 95% - 100% Syrah
 - ▶ Elegant, complex, full-bodied wines with very long age-ability
- Key Producers
 - ▶ Jean-Louis Chave
 - ▶ M. Chapoutier
 - ▶ E. Guigal



Best Examples of Syrah

- South Australia
 - ▶ Barossa Valley, Clare Valley, and McLaren Vale are among the best areas
 - ▶ Deep, rich, spicy, full-bodied, often jammy wines
 - ▶ The best examples age extremely well
- Key Producers
 - ▶ **Penfolds** – Grange, RWT, Magill Estate, St. Henri, Marananga, Kalimna, & Coonwara
 - ▶ **Henschke** – Hill of Grace, Mount Edelstone, Hill of Roses, Tappa Pass



Best Examples of Syrah

- California
 - ▶ Paso Robles, Sonoma Coast, Santa Maria Valley, Mendocino
 - ▶ Wines can range from N. Rhone elegance and complexity to Australian Shiraz jammy-ness and spice
- Highly Rated Producers
 - ▶ Ojai Vineyard
 - ▶ Copain
 - ▶ Darioush
- Other U.S. States:
 - ▶ Washington
 - ▶ Arizona