

2015 Domaine Jean Royer Châteauneuf-du-Pape Les Sables de La Crau

The 2015 Châteauneuf-du-Pape Les Sables de La Crau is 100% Grenache from the sandy part of the famed La Crau lieu-dit. It offers terrific notes of wild strawberries, currants, dried flowers and spice, full-bodied richness, sweet, polished tannin and a great finish. While this vintage was difficult for the sandy terroirs, this cuvée is impressive!

Vigneron Jean-Marie Royer pulls from a number of prime terroirs, most consisting of sandy soils. While 2015 was challenging for the sandier parts of the appellation, he's turned out a bevy of beautiful wines. His 2016s are some of the finest I've tasted from the estate.

- Jeb Dunnuck (10/19/2017)

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