



2006 Domaine de la Charbonniere Chateauneuf du Pape

A Proprietary Blend Dry Red Table wine from , Chateauneuf du Pape, Southern Rhone, Rhone, France,

Review by [Robert Parker](#)

WA # , #173 (Oct 2007)

Rating: (88-90)

Drink 2007 - 2017

Cost:

The deep ruby-colored 2006 Chateauneuf du Pape exhibits loads of classic kirsch liqueur fruit intermixed with hints of garrigue, seaweed, and balsam wood. It is an impressive basic cuvee with a broad mouthfeel, sweet tannin, and low acidity. Enjoy it over the next decade. This is one of the most well-run estates in Chateauneuf du Pape thanks to the meticulous and passionate efforts of proprietor Michel Maret (readers should not overlook is Vacqueyras, one of the finest wines of that appellation). While the 2006s are not as powerful or rich as the 2005s, it is an excellent vintage for Charbonniere. In fact, I was somewhat surprised that there was less significant difference between the cuvees than usual. Importer: Kermit Lynch Wine Merchant, Berkeley, CA; tel. (510) 524-1524

2006 Domaine de la Charbonniere Chateauneuf du Pape Cuvee Vieilles Vignes

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Rating: (89-92)

Drink 2010 - 2022

Cost:

The two most tannic offerings include the dark ruby-hued 2006 Chateauneuf du Pape Vieilles Vignes. With aeration, the closed bouquet releases scents of pine cones, seaweed, black cherry liqueur, spice box, and raspberries. This is a big wine for the vintage, revealing medium to full body, decent acidity, mouth-searing tannin, and a long finish. It probably has a lot more to it, but it was difficult to penetrate and fully analyze. This wine is atypical for a 2006 Chateauneuf du Pape. It needs 3-4 years of cellaring, and should keep for 15 or more years. This is one of the most well-run estates in Chateauneuf du Pape thanks to the meticulous and passionate efforts of proprietor Michel Maret (readers should not overlook is Vacqueyras, one of the finest wines of that appellation). While the 2006s are not as powerful or rich as the 2005s, it is an excellent vintage for Charbonniere. In fact, I was somewhat surprised that there was less significant difference between the cuvees than usual. Importer: Kermit Lynch Wine Merchant, Berkeley, CA; tel. (510) 524-1524

2006 Domaine de la Charbonniere Chateauneuf du Pape Les Hautes Brusquieres Cuvee Speciale

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Drink 2010 - 2022
Cost:

The 2006 Chateauneuf du Pape Les Hautes Brusquieres Cuvee Speciale is a tannic, tough-textured, muscular, masculine-styled Chateauneuf with high tannin as well as a long finish, reveals plenty of weight, depth, richness, and concentration. It just needs time. This wine is atypical for a 2006 Chateauneuf du Pape. It needs 3-4 years of cellaring, and should keep for 15 or more years. This is one of the most well-run estates in Chateauneuf du Pape thanks to the meticulous and passionate efforts of proprietor Michel Maret (readers should not overlook is Vacqueyras, one of the finest wines of that appellation). While the 2006s are not as powerful or rich as the 2005s, it is an excellent vintage for Charbonniere. In fact, I was somewhat surprised that there was less significant difference between the cuvees than usual. Importer: Kermit Lynch Wine Merchant, Berkeley, CA; tel. (510) 524-1524

2006 Domaine de la Charbonniere Chateauneuf du Pape Mourre des Perdrix

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Rating: (90-92)
Drink 2007 - 2022
Cost:

The single vineyard 2006 Chateauneuf du Pape Mourre des Perdrix reveals a saturated deep ruby hue, a distinctive bouquet of pepper, flowers, earth, lavender, and roasted herbs, loads of black raspberry and black currant fruit, an attractive texture, medium to full body, soft tannin, and a long, heady finish. This beauty can be drunk young or cellared for 15+ years. This is one of the most well-run estates in Chateauneuf du Pape thanks to the meticulous and passionate efforts of proprietor Michel Maret (readers should not overlook is Vacqueyras, one of the finest wines of that appellation). While the 2006s are not as powerful or rich as the 2005s, it is an excellent vintage for Charbonniere. In fact, I was somewhat surprised that there was less significant difference between the cuvees than usual. Importer: Kermit Lynch Wine Merchant, Berkeley, CA; tel. (510) 524-1524
