

2001 Cuvee du Vatican Chateauneuf du Pape

The deep ruby/purple-colored 2001 Chateauneuf du Pape reveals Grenache's powerful side in its intense kirsch, licorice, peppery aromatics. An opulent attack is followed by a multilayered, fullbodied mid-palate along with considerable structure and headiness in the finish. This is a large-scaled, but impeccably wellbalanced Chateauneuf to drink between 2005-2016. One of the appellation's young, dynamic revolutionaries, Jean-Marc Diffonty, has produced his finest Chateauneuf du Papes to date. Additionally, prices remain modest for what's in the bottle. Importers: Alain Junguenet, Wines of France, Mountainside, NJ; tel. (908) 654-6173 and Mervyn Hecht Wines, Santa Monica, CA; tel. (408) 685-1148

Robert M. Parker, Jr. (February, 2004)

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abundant, full-bodied wine will fill your palate with joy, delivering elegance and class as well as lots of plum, mineral,

Beautiful. Rich, ripe, and generous, this

some smoke and a stony character. Long finish. Fabulous. Drink now through 2020. 5,215 cases made. (Sep

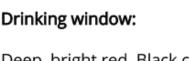
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 $88 \, \mathrm{pts}$

Stephen Tanzer, January 2004

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Red wine from France

Pape

Rhone, Rhone

and good length.

Deep, bright red. Black cherry, mocha and menthol on the nose, along with a whiff of dried fruits. Fat, ripe and fleshy, with good sweetness

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Diffonty Cuvée du Vatican 2001

has been awarded a

by the tasting panel at the

International Wine Challenge 2003

and a hint of prune. Finishes with sweet tannins

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