

# FLINT WINES

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## **2007 Châteauneuf du Pape, La Ferme du Mont £225ib Per case**

We are delighted to be able to offer this exciting newcomer in what is fast-becoming one of the most sought after vintages ever in the southern Rhône. Situated between the vineyards of Beaucastel and Clos du Caillou, this domaine produced its first vintage under the ownership of Stéphane Vedeau as recently as 2003. Just 2.5 hectares in size, the domaine produces a mere 700 cases, a large proportion of which has our name on.

The wine is made from a blend of Grenache (80%), Syrah (10%) and the wonderful Mourvèdre (10%). The Syrah is aged in large oak (not new) foudres but the Grenache and Mourvèdre in big, traditional concrete vats. There is no new oak here. Consequently the wine is not at all flashy (a good thing) but wins you over with its innate concentration, depth of flavour and complexity. Jancis Robinson awarded the 2006 18 points and went even higher for this 2007, allotting it 19 points and thereby placing it in her top three wines of the vintage, alongside the mighty Château Rayas and Beaucastel's legendary Hommage à Jacques Perrin. At the respective prices this looks something of a no-brainer.

**"Another very successful wine from this newcomer from the Côtes Capelan. Very dense and rich and commanding. Majestic wine! A hint of medicinal qualities, but not aggressively so. Great beginning, middle and end. Really very interesting indeed. Smooth and subtle – though needs a bit of time. 19 points". JR**

The wine is currently lying at the domaine and will be shipped later in the year.