



# Rhône Valley Tasting

American Wine Society, COS Chapter

Tuesday, August 1<sup>st</sup>, 6:30-9:00pm

Blakeley House, 7974 Scarborough Drive, COS, 80920

**\$25 for AWS Members, \$30 for Guests [RSVP by 7/25/17]**

## Rhône Valley Wine Region



If you like Grenache and Syrah, the Rhône is for you!

Limited to 50 People

The event will consist of a presentation on the Rhône Valley wine region in France and a tasting of five wines along with a heavy hors d'oeuvres to accompany each wine selection.



We'll taste 5 wines from a cross section of the Rhône Valley (North and South) as indicated by the orange stars on the map at left.

### Come join us to learn about:

- Overview of the whole wine region
- Production techniques
- What is "GSM"?
- Exquisite Viognier from Condrieu
- Where to look for good value wine
- "Wine of the Popes"
- Some great producers to look for

### Payment Options:

- Pay with credit card via our website (<http://www.aws-cos.com/>)
- Send a check to the AWS-COS Finance Chair, Alec Blakeley (7974 Scarborough Drive, COS, CO 80920)
- Drop off payment at Fermentations (5765 North Academy Blvd, COS, CO 80918)
- Paypal to [aws-coloradosprings@msn.com](mailto:aws-coloradosprings@msn.com)

### Reminders:

- **No refunds or cancellations after July 25<sup>th</sup>**
- If you would like to find out more about the COS Chapter of AWS, please visit our website at: [www.aws-cos.com](http://www.aws-cos.com)
- Please drink responsibly

# Rhone Valley Wine Selections



- Varietal: White Blend
- Subregion: Cotes du Rhone
- Cost: \$11.99
- Ratings: RP 90
- This bright, pale-golden wine opens to aromas of white fruits and flowers. On the palate, it is nicely balanced with freshness provided by the Clairette while the white Grenache gives it body and a gentle softness



Tasting Notes



- Varietal: Viognier
- Subregion: Condrieu
- Cost: \$48.99
- Ratings: RP 95, JS 94
- The delicately elusive perfume suggests pears, spice, and honeysuckle, while on the palate the wine is surprisingly rich and full-bodied, full of fruit but intensely mineral, with a sappy, bone-dry finish. Truly a wine of texture, with a strong umami impression, a wine for both the intellect and the senses



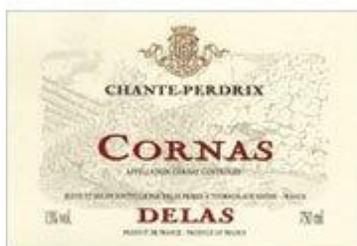
Tasting Notes



- Varietal: Red Blend (Grenache/Syrah)
- Subregion: Lirac
- Cost: \$17.99
- Ratings: RP 91
- The color is deep purple. The nose develops powerful aromas of black fruit characteristics of grenache on pebbles picked up over-ripe, with a slight hint of smoke and Characteristic spice of Syrah. On the palate, the tannins are dense but retains the freshness and elegance, highlighted by a well-integrated farming



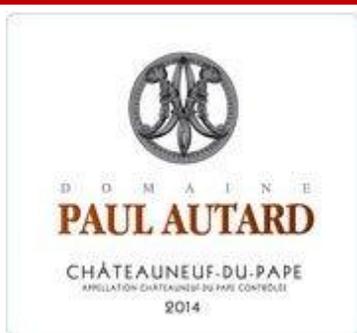
Tasting Notes



- Varietal: Syrah
- Subregion: Cornas
- Cost: \$45.89
- Ratings: RP 90
- The color is an intense garnet red. In its youth, this wine has strong blackcurrant aromas. With time, the fruit aromas gradually fade, giving way to hints of pepper and licorice. The palate is structured and has the strongly defined flavors that are typical of this terroir



Tasting Notes



- Varietal: Red Blend
- Subregion: Chateauneuf-du-Pape
- Cost: \$37.79
- Ratings: RP 90
- A concentrated and supple, balanced wine. A blend of Grenache, Syrah, and Counoise, brimming with dark berry fruit and notes of black pepper and dark chocolate. Offers terrific bouquet and flavors of spices and cherry and berry jam. Sweet tannins & fat mid-palate culminate in a dense and powerful finish



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