

# ANDRÉ BRUNEL CHATEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE LES CAILLOUX BLANC 2025

*Rhône Valley, France*



**TASTING NOTES:** Fresh and expressive, this white wine offers vibrant fruit, delicate honeyed notes, and elegant minerality, with a lively, crystalline palate and a long, airy finish. The warm 2025 vintage delivered excellent ripeness while preserving freshness and aromatic intensity. Roussanne and Grenache Blanc bring floral complexity, while Clairette adds balance and tension. Enjoy with white meats, fish with sauces, or goat cheese.

**VITICULTURE:** The Domaine's white Châteauneuf-du-Pape is made with grapes from three plots. Roussanne grows in Les Serres, Grenache Blanc in Le Revès, and Clairette come from Bois de la Ville. Although Roussanne isn't typical of a Châteauneuf-du-Pape white grape, it brings aromatics, finesse and elegance to the wine, whereas the Grenache Blanc and Clairette bring freshness and structure. This terroir, full of round pebbles, is characteristic of the appellation and bestows an all-important ageing ability to the wine.

**VINIFICATION:** The grapes are harvested very early in the morning to avoid exposure to heat. To minimize contact with oxygen, they are pressed immediately. Fermentation takes place at a low temperature to preserve the fruit's freshness. No malolactic fermentation. 6 months in stainless steel. No barrel.

**FAMILY:** One of Châteauneuf's most revered estates is centuries-old André Brunel, who has been in the region since the 17th century and has been making wine for five generations. Though originally named Domaine Les Cailloux by Lucien Brunel in 1954, its current name is after the fourth-generation owner, André Brunel. Under André's leadership, the estate expanded rapidly, with vines in the Côtes du Rhône AOC as well as Vins de Pays. In 1971, after André took over, he launched Grenache-dominant Cuvée Centenaire, the estate's top wine, which solidified André Brunel as a major player in Châteauneuf-du-Pape. In addition, the family is leading the charge in the region for eco-friendly farming practices, eschewing chemicals at every turn. André's son, Fabrice, is now at the helm of this pioneering estate, overseeing their three appellations.

**PRODUCER:** André Brunel

**REGION:** Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Rhône Valley

**GRAPE(S):** 80% Roussanne, 15% Clairette, 5% Grenache Blanc

**ALCOHOL:** 13.5%

**TOTAL ACIDITY:** 2.98

**RESIDUAL SUGAR:** 0

**pH:** 3.52