



## Lieu-Dit-Patou Cornas

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| Country: | France    | Region:   | Rhone |
| Type:    | Red       | Varietal: | Syrah |
| Format:  | 6 x 750ml |           |       |

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| BC          | AB      | SK | MB |
| +859611     | +859611 |    |    |
| Speculative | Open    |    |    |

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### TASTING NOTES

**Colour:** Deep ruby.

**Aroma:** Smoke- and spice-accented scents of cherry liqueur, blueberry and violet are complicated by hints of olive paste and pipe tobacco.

**Taste:** Juicy and broad on the palate, offering intense, deeply concentrated black and blue fruit and liquorice flavours and a spicy touch of cracked pepper. Comes off elegant and precise, finishing with solid thrust, excellent persistence and smooth, harmonious tannins.

**Food:** Cassoulet, moroccan lamb barbecue, beef short ribs.

## AWARDS & ACCOLADES

2020 ~ 96 Points. "Absolutely drop-dead gorgeous, the 2020 Cornas Lieu Dit Patou reveals a dense purple hue to go with wild aromatics of darker strawberries, blackberries, violets, rose, and iron. Medium to full-bodied and just about as seamless as they come, with fine tannins and incredible purity of fruit, this tour de force is clearly one of the finest Cornas I've tasted from this estate. Give bottles 2-3 years and enjoy over the following 15." - Jeb Dunnuck, Nov/2022

2020 ~ 94-96 Points. "I think a solid step up at this point, the 2020 Cornas Lieu-Dit Patou comes from a single vineyard of granite soils and was destemmed and is still aging in 15% new barrels. Bouquet garni, bay leaf, iron, and both red and blue fruits emerge on the nose, and it's medium to full-bodied, concentrated, and beautifully balanced. I love its tannins as well as its purity of fruit." - Jeb Dunnuck, Feb/2022

2020 ~ 94 Points. "Rounded, mouth-filling fruit, the tannins are melting and not overly assertive. Bold in structure, textural and intense, with strong acidity which helps to rein in the fruit, tannin and alcohol. Peppery herbs add a little complexity. Destemmed, fermented in concrete, aged in barrels (10% new oak)." - Decanter, Sep/2021

2019 ~ 93+ Points. "Blackberries, smoked meats, iron, and pepper all emerge from the 2019 Cornas Lieu-Dit Patou, which comes from a great lieu-dit in Cornas. Medium to full-bodied and concentrated, with ripe tannins, this is burly Cornas will benefit from 2-4 years in the cellar and shine for a decade or more." - Jeb Dunnuck, Aug/2022

2019 ~ 92 Points. "From low-yielding old vines, Ferraton's 2019 Cornas Lieu-Dit Patou is richer and more velvety than the Les Eygats bottling. Crushed stone accents cassis on the nose, while the full-bodied palate is plush and ripe, with a slightly jammy finish that seems to lack the complexity of the past couple of vintages." - Robert Parker's Wine Advocate, Jan/2022

## OTHER INFO

Since Michel Chapoutier brought his know-how to this winery in 1998, the vineyards were converted to organic viticulture, then certified. Production has mushroomed to 23 different bottlings, and counting. Quality has also been on the ascent and this is now a property to be seriously reckoned with, especially when it comes to the high-end "selection parcelaire" bottlings, which can compete with most of the northern Rhone's most famous wines.



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