

CHÂTEAU DE L'ESCARELLE

(AOP COTES VAROIS EN PROVENCE, FRANCE)

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In 1920, François-Joseph Fournier (already owner of the island of Porquerolles) gave his wife this property backed by the foothills of the mountain of La Loube. In the 1960s, the Gassier family transformed the area which, with 100 hectares of vineyards, is probably the largest private cellar of the AOC Coteaux Var, acquired in 2014 by the businessman Yann Pineau. The Château de l'Escarelle vineyard has undergone a constant process of change and reinvention over a period of centuries.

Boasting an outstanding location at the heart of the "Provence verte" region, the estate's 100 hectares of vines flourish in 1100 hectares of stunningly beautiful, unspoilt countryside. The greatest of care is lavished upon the Château de l'Escarelle vineyard – Painstaking and frequent turning over of the soil along with the use of environmentally-friendly procedures and products and 100% certified organic fertilizer. Our different grape varieties have been carefully selected with each individual "terroir" and plot in mind...

Over the course of the years, our traditional storehouse has been fitted out with highly sophisticated vat-room equipment enabling us to create wines that are the perfect reflection of the grape varieties and terroirs present on the estate. Following fermentation in stainless steel vats, some of our red wines are aged and stored in oak barrels in order to make wines designed for laying down. Every year, our wines win plaudits from the juries of top competitions, whilst our wines' numerous medals and awards testify to our hard work and our commitment...

Our team members are passionate about what they do, driven by a desire to give our clients exactly what they want – and more. Chateau de l'Escarelle currently holds the Haute Valeur Environnementale certificate (HVE), France's most stringent environmental certification.

Le Pacha Rosé 2020

CSPC# 805661

6x750ml

13.5% alc./vol.

Le Pacha is exclusively available as a Rosé. It exudes the floral scents of the south of France, along with notes of pear. This wine is a nod to the Butterfly Garden created by the Itancia Endowment Fund on the estate. The Pacha (the Foxy Emperor in English) is a rare butterfly found in Provence, including on the Escarelle estate. It loves feeding off sugar-laden fruit and flits delicately from one source of food to another. It appears on the label of this bright, salmon-pink coloured wine.

Grape Variety	<i>Grenache, Cinsault, Syrah</i>
Appellation	Coteaux Varois en Provence - Vin de Provence
Classification	Appellation d'Origine Protégée
Winemaker	Alice Pelestor (Cellar Master) & Patrick Lobier (Wine grower)
Vineyards	Boasting an outstanding location at the heart of the "Provence verte" region, the estate's 100 hectares of vines flourish in 1100 hectares of stunningly beautiful, unspoilt countryside.
Harvest	Nocturnal harvest is done in order to take advantage of the lower temperature and to prevent oxidation.
Vinification/ Maturation	The grapes are harvested by machine in the early hours of the morning with a view to obtaining a wine of an attractively pale colour. The approach to vinification is traditional and the grapes are completely destemmed. There is a short period of skin maceration before the pressing process. Cold temperature settling is the next stage. Fermentation is temperature-controlled and malolactic fermentation avoided in order to retain those crisp, fresh aromas. Fermentation is by the traditional method – temperature-controlled in a stainless-steel vat.
Tasting Notes	Delicate notes of citrus and pear on the nose followed by elegant notes of pear, strawberry, and stone fruit on the palate. The palate is round and elegant.
Serve with Cellaring	As an aperitif, with southern French dishes, Asian dishes, and Mediterranean dishes. Drink while young.



Scores/Awards **89 points** - Joe Czerwinski, Wine Advocate - July 2021
92 points/Cellar Selection - Roger Voss, Wine Enthusiast - June 2021
Bronze Medal - International Wine Challenge 2021

Reviews *"A blend of 40% each Grenache and Syrah, plus 20% Cinsault, the 2020 L'Escarelle Coteaux Varois en Provence Rose le Pacha is a pale, coppery wine imbued with subtle scents of garrigue, redcurrant and citrus. Medium-bodied and slightly creamy on the palate, it's round and generous, then finishes with an almost minty freshness."*

- JC, Wine Advocate

"This wine is full bodied, spicy and textured, with bold, ripe redberry fruits coming together. Although it can be drunk now, it will be even better in 2022. Organic. Cellar Selection."

- RV, Wine Enthusiast

"Rounded with sweet pear fruit and a touch of cherry. Nicely weighted."

- International Wine Challenge 2021"
