

WINE ENTHUSIAST



Domaine Berthoumieu 2013 Charles de Batz Tannat– Cabernet (**Madiran**)

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POINTS

Of course, this 90%Tannat wine is still very young. But it's impressive, rich and concentrated and promises to age well. It is dense with both tannins and fruit, black plum and berry flavors dominating, cut by acidity. It will be ready to drink from 2019.

Domaine Berthoumieu 2012 Charles de Batz Tannat– Cabernet (**Madiran**)

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Editors' Choice

This is a big, dark wine. It is full of dense tannins and ripe black fruits. The tarry, leathery texture is developing well alongside the black-skinned plum fruits that are cut by intensive acidity. Nothing is reticent about this powerfull wine. It will be ready to drink from 2019.

Domaine Berthoumieu 2012 Haute Tradition Tannat– Cabernet (**Madiran**)

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Ripe and juicy this is a wine that brings out perfumed black fruits and lively acidity. It is made to be drunk young, preserving all the berry fruitiness and leaving the tannins in the background. Drink from late 2016.

Domaine Berthoumieu 2012 Vitis MCM Tannat (**Madiran**)

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Cellar Selection

Produced from vines planted in 1900 (MCM in Roman numerals) this is a serious, major wine. It is so concentrated with its dark tannins yet never loses its elegant balance between fruit and structure. Dense dusty dry tannins are layered with dark plum and damson flavors giving a surprising freshness to a wine that is still young.. Drink from 2022.

Domaine Berthoumieu 2011 Vitis MCM Tannat (**Madiran**)

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This is a rich, concentrated wine, powered by both tannins and very ripe fruit. It is produced from vines planted in 1900 (MCM in Roman numerals), giving the dark color, density and power of old vines, layered with stylish black fruits and acidity. It's a fine expression of the complexity of pure Tannat with its layers of tannins and fruit. Drink from 2020.

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