

# CLOS DE BEAUVENIR

Châteauneuf-du-Pape White 2005

Archives affirm Château La Nerthe's existence as early as 1560, while suggesting an even more distant past dating to the dawn of the region's wine culture in the 12th century. The wine of Château La Nerthe has been renowned since the 18th century. During the same era, its reputation spread across Europe with exports to England, Germany, Italy and Spain. Since then, Château La Nerthe has been a point of reference in the history of the vineyards and wines of France.

The 90 hectares (225 acres) of Château La Nerthe are certified "Organic growing" since 1998 by Ecocert (French organism on organic certification)

The current terroir is thus composed of rocky slopes of clay and sand, rising above the Rhône river. While it is difficult to grow wine in such soils, the rocks do help ripen the berries since they store heat during the day and warm the vines at night. They also allow water to penetrate into the soil, reducing stagnation and disease.



## VINES' AGE

40 years (average)  
some are centenaries

## HARVEST

Manually  
From 29th August to 22th September

## BLENDING

Clairette	42 %
Roussanne	58 %

## AGING

100 % in oak barrels  
50 % in new oak barrels  
50 % in oak barrels of 2 years