

Côtes de Roussillon AOP

The appellation's Cahier des Charges has been updated.

Some changes, moving accessory grapes to the list of principal grapes and changes to allowed or required components of a blend.

Côtes du Roussillon Blanc AOP:

- A maximum upper limit of 10 % for accessory varieties has been introduced.
- Two new varieties—Viognier and Carignan blanc—have been approved as accessory varieties.
- **Principal varieties:** Grenache blanc, Macabeu, Tourbat/Malvoisie du Roussillon
- **Accessory varieties:** Grenache Gris, Marsanne, Roussanne, Vermentino, Viognier, Carignan Blanc
- Must contain at least two grape varieties.
- No single grape may make up more than 80% of the total blend.
- Grenache Blanc, Macabeu, and Tourbat/Malvoisie du Roussillon (separately or combined) must comprise at least 50% of the blend.
- Accessory varieties may comprise a maximum (combined) of 10% of the blend

Côtes du Roussillon Rouge AOP:

- Accessory grapes may now comprise up to 30% of the total blend (previously, the maximum was 20%)
- **Principal varieties:** Carignan, Grenache Noir, Mourvèdre, Syrah
- **Accessory varieties:** Cinsault, Lledoner Pelut
- Must contain at least two grape varieties
- No single grape may make up more than 80% of the total blend
- Accessory varieties may comprise a maximum (combined) of 30% of the blend

Côtes du Roussillon Rosé AOP:

- Grenache Gris is now a principal grape (previously an accessory grape)
- Carignan and Mourvèdre are now accessory grapes (previously principal grapes)
- Accessory grapes may now comprise up to 30% of the total blend (previously, the maximum was 20%)
- The (combined) minimum percentage for the main grape varieties (Grenache, Mourvèdre, and Syrah) has been reduced from 80% to 70%.
- **Principal varieties:** Grenache Noir, Grenache Gris, Syrah
- **Accessory varieties:** Carignan, Mourvèdre, Cinsault, Lledoner Pelut, Macabeu
- Must contain at least two grape varieties
- No single grape may make up more than 80% of the total blend
- Accessory varieties may comprise a maximum (combined) of 30% of the blend.

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