



# Louis Latour

MAISON FONDÉE EN 1797

## DUET 2008

- REGION Côteaux de l'Ardèche
- VILLAGE Ardèche
- APPELLATION Indication Géographique Protégée Ardèche
- GRAPE VARIETY Chardonnay and Viognier

### *The Vine*

- AVERAGE VINE AGE 15 years
- SOIL Clay and limestone
- AVERAGE YIELD 45 hl/ha
- HARVEST Hand picked and mechanical

### *Vinification & Ageing*

- FERMENTATION Traditional in stainless steel vats, temperature controlled with complete malolactic fermentation
- AGEING 8 to 10 months ageing in stainless steel vats

### *Description*

After having great success with our "Ardèche Chardonnay", then with our "Grand Ardèche", Maison Louis Latour became interested in planting the Viognier grape variety on Ardèche soils and in the original blend that could be made with Chardonnay. Our "Duet" is unique because the two different grapes are harvested at the same time and fermented together. The vines are quite far apart from one another and the last week of harvesting Chardonnay coincides with the first week of harvesting Viognier, therefore preserving the acidity of the Viognier. This results in a balanced wine, where neither variety overpowers the other. It is a fine, supple and elegant wine.

### *Wine tasting*

- TASTING NOTE Golden yellow, the Duet has a delicate nose of white flowers. It is balanced and long in the mouth and the Chardonnay gives it some attractive acidity. Tasted November 2010.
- CELLARING POTENTIAL 2-3 years
- FOOD PAIRING Apéritif - charcuterie - fish
- SERVING TEMPERATURE 10-12°

