

Wine Spectator Acclaims Domaine Paul Autard's Current Releases

88 Paul Autard Côtes du Rhône 2007 \$16

Juicy, with raspberry and currant fruit laced with aged tobacco and dark spice notes. This has a nice open-knit finish. Drink now. 5,000 cases made.—J.M.

88 Paul Autard Châteauneuf-du-Pape White 2006 \$48

A mature, forward style, with melon, peach, pear tartine and grilled almond notes carried on a round, lush frame. Lacks some zip on the finish, with the toasty edge taking over. Drink now. 208 cases made.—J.M.

90 Paul Autard Châteauneuf-du-Pape 2006 \$45

Delivers a nice beam of raspberry, graphite and sweet earth notes, backed by a toasty, slightly firm finish. Should round out nicely with modest cellaring. Best from 2009 through 2018. 1,665 cases made.—J.M.

94 Paul Autard Châteauneuf-du-Pape Cuvée La Côte Ronde 2006 \$65

Very expressive, with gorgeous aromatics and flavors, this has a racy, fruit-packed core of raspberry ganache, fig and boysenberry buttressed by dark cocoa, espresso, roasted chestnut and graphite notes. Long and intense through the finish, with fruit and minerality intertwined for the long haul. Best from 2010 through 2023. 1,250 cases made.—J.M.

95 Paul Autard Châteauneuf-du-Pape Juline 2006 \$100

Gorgeous aromatics of fruitcake, mocha and Turkish coffee lead the way for a dense but remarkably silky palate that courses with raspberry ganache, plum sauce and dark currant fruit. The long, powerful finish just sails on, leaving echoes of exotic spice, toast and graphite. A very impressive young wine. Equal parts Syrah and Grenache. Best from 2010 through 2030. 165 cases made.—J.M.

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