



Name of vine variety in France

Abouriou N

Origin

This variety is probably originally from the Lot-et-Garonne (the area around Villereal). It was reported at the end of the 19th century by Numa Nauge.

Synonymy

Regulations

In France, Abouriou N is officially listed in the "Catalogue of vine varieties".

Usage

Wine vine variety.

Evolution of area under vines in France

	1958	1968	1979	1988	2000	2008	2011
ha	0.5	898	369	539	488	474	314

Description

Identification signs include:

- the tip of the young shoot has a heavy coat of flat-lying hairs with à anthocyanin pigmentation on the borders,
- the young leaves are green with bronze patches,
- adult leaves are orbicular, 5-lobed with a fairly deep lateral sinuses, open lyre-shaped petiolar sinus, moderate length teeth, straight sides, absence of anthocyanin pigmentation, a bubbled and rugged leaf blade and the underside with a sparse coat of upright and flat-lying hairs.
- berries are round shaped or slightly elliptical.

Genetic profile

Microsatellite	VVS2	VVMD5	VVMD7	VVMD27	VRZAG62	VRZAG79	VVMD25	VVMD28	VVMD32
Allele 1	131	234	247	178	194	252	240	233	239
Allele 2	149	234	247	182	204	260	248	243	271

Phenology

Bud burst: 1 day after Chasselas. Grape maturity: period I, 1 week after Chasselas.

Suitability for cultivation and agronomic production

Due to its earliness, its fertility (possibility of short pruning) and its moderate vigor, this variety appears well adapted to difficult and marginal climatic conditions.

Sensitivity to diseases and pests

Abouriou N is not very susceptible to diseases and resists fairly well to grey rot.

Technological potential

The grape clusters and the berries are moderate size. This variety produces very colorful, full-bodied, rather tannic but lacking in acidity wines.

Clonal selection in France

The two approved Abouriou N clones carry the numbers 603 and 604. A conservatory of 50 or so clones was planted in 2006 in Lot-et-Garonne.

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Description of clones approved in France

Clone number	Identity and availability		Agronomic data		Technical data	
	Origin	Selection	Fertility	Production level	Sugar content	Potential color
	Year approved	Agronomic references	Weight of grape bunches	Vigor	Total acidity	Tannic structure
	Growing surface area		Size of berries	Sensitivity to Botrytis	Aromatic intensity	Oenological aptitudes
603	Lot-et-Garonne	ENTAV				
	1979	Tarn-et-Garonne				
	0,35 ha					

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604	Lot-et-Garonne	ENTAV				
	1979	Tarn-et-Garonne				
	0,36 ha					

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