

Dom. Bunan 2013 Moulin des Costes Bandol Rouge

WineWise Code	FBU-CRG13
Country	France
Region	Provence
Subregion	Bandol
Color	Red
Alcohol by Volume	13.50%
Varieties	70% Mourvèdre, 20% Grenache, 10% Syrah
Vineyard Name	14.56 hectares in the area around the medieval village of Le Castellet
Elevation (meters)	Limestone, Sandstone, Marl
Farming Practices	Organic

WineWise Notes:

One of the special pleasures of working with Bunan is that they are in no hurry to release new vintages, preferring instead to offer their wines to the world when they have softened somewhat. Four-year-old Bandol is far from fully mature, but it does offer a seductively rich and potent brew of dark fruits and iron-tinged, faintly animal Mourvèdre character.

The Bunan family, without fanfare or hyperbole, have quietly become the single largest proprietors in the increasingly well-regarded appellation of Bandol. Unlike many of their neighbours, they have not rushed headlong into a love-affair with new oak, but have judiciously employed it as a fine chef might use seasoning. The wines – across the board – show a sober respect for tradition allied to an openness to change. Their vineyards are now certified organic and they have begun the process of bio-dynamic conversion. Their red Bandols age very well, and the Kosher wine is a category-leader. Many satisfied customers have commented on the reasonableness of the prices.

