2005 - Domaine Puig-Parahy Cotes du Roussillon le Fort Saint Pierre

Rating : (87)

Tasting :

The 2005 Cotes du Roussillon Fort Saint-Pierre (raised in tank) is a blend of Syrah (vines over 30 years in age, which is pretty venerable by local standards) with smaller amounts of Grenache, Carignan, and Mourvedre. A whiff of volatility in the nose does not too much detract from ripe cassis, black cherry and prune aromas, augmented by pungent suggestions of wood smoke and crushed stone. In the mouth, this is expansive and rich, and the finish is sweet and long, with chocolate, black fruit preserves, and stone, faintly disturbed by heat and dryness of tannin.

-David Schildknecht (The Wine advocate, June 2009)