



LES CALCAIRES 2023

Cuvées spéciales is a series of very special batches, made using special winemaking techniques, such as skin contact, barrel fermentation, use of indigenous lees as a natural input, and more.

Variety: 100% cabernet franc

Appellation: Gualtallary. A 1,100 masl vineyard, over highly calcareous alluvial soils. High density plantation (7,000 plants per hectare). To make this wine, we've selected a patch of land, a polygon inside the parcel.

Harvest and winemaking: Early harvest, by hand in crates, with bunch selection. Simple winemaking process, using indigenous yeasts and 30% whole bunches, light pumping over in a concrete egg, and 12 months aging in second passage Boutes oak barrels, leading to a vibrant and tense wine. Unfiltered. Les Calcaires is the expression of a cabernet franc in its best terroir: high altitude calcareous soils.

Vineyard age: 25 years old

Yield: 6,5 tons per hectare

First vintage: 2021

RATINGS

James Suckling: 95 pts