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2017 Domaine Chante Cigale Chateauneuf Du Pape Extrait

The 2017 Châteauneuf Du Pape Extrait is a unique blend of 80% Mourvèdre and 20% Grenache that will spend two years in older barrels. Its saturated purple color is followed by a spectacular bouquet of smoked black fruits, ground garrigue, pepper, and cured meats. It's deep, powerful, full-bodied, and concentrated, with a beautiful texture and sweet tannins. It's seriously good wine in the making. It will need 4-6 years of bottle age but should keep for two decades or more.

This estate continues to work its way up the hierarchy in Châteauneuf du Pape and today are fashioning some of the most exciting wines in the appellation. While no 2018s reds were submitted, both 2017s showed brilliantly.

- Jeb Dunnuck (8/16/2019)

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