

# Domaine Richeaume

## Côtes de Provence

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*“Sylvain Hoesch is the head of one of the most beautiful properties in Provence. At the foot of the Sainte-Victoire mountain, the red earth reminds one of the American canyons. Here, the respect for the environment marries well with the “bio” wine growing and the focus on “terroir”. Thanks to the constant search for the best maturity without waiting too long, the wines are velvety and offer an expression of fruit which singularly distinguishes Richeaume from all the other crus in the region.”*

Revue du Vin de France (April 2009)

### 2006 “Cuvée Columelle”

*“We think this is the best wine of the domaine. In the mouth, an exceptional smoothness of tannins and rich fruit, but preserved with a sparkling freshness. This blend of cabernet, syrah and a hint of grenache allows for a delicate balance while at the same time exhibiting the power of a great wine of the South.”*

18/20 points-*Revue du Vin de France* (April 2009)

### 2005 “Cuvée Columelle”

*“Rich and juicy, with luscious raspberry, cherry and kirsch flavors that are supported by crisp acidity. Dark chocolate and spicy, meaty notes fill the finish to the brim. Drink now through 2012.”*

90 points-Kim Marcus, *The Wine Spectator* (web, 2008)

### 2006 Syrah

*“At this time, the nose detects a reduction, but the texture in the mouth of very juicy syrah is delicious. One is seduced by the harmony and balance worthy of the great cuvées from the north of the Rhone valley..”*

16.5/20 points-*Revue du Vin de France* (April 2009)

## RECENT FRENCH PRESS for Domaine Richeaume

*“Don’t miss his Carignan! Annoyed by the regulatory constraints of the appellations, Sylvain Hoesch turned his back on the Côtes de Provence AOC and on the Vins de pays des Bouches du Rhône. And so his bottles were henceforth labelled ‘vin de table.’ The essential signature of his 2010’s is precision and balance. If our palate leans toward the brilliant Carignan, imbued with an unbelievable perfume and with an extraordinary purity, the grenaches, merlots and syrahs of the domaine are worth the detour. Refinement, freshness, intensity connect these age-worthy reds. These cuvées will establish themselves among the best in Provence.”*

Revue du Vin de France (June 1, 2011)

*“In 1972, Sylvain Hoesch’s father fell in love with a solitary retreat in ruins at the foot of the Sainte Victoire mountain. He cleared the land and turned to organic farming, planting the majority in merlot and cabernet sauvignon. Unable to use the appellation Sainte Victoire for these varietals, Richeaume sold his wines to the world under the denomination “without geographic indication.” Since 1997, Sylvain has championed with smiling self-assurance his classically elegant white from Viognier, his crisp, smoky rosé and above all his reds with great grace: pure Carignan with mineral freshness, Cabernet with full-bodied majesty, Syrah with velvety concentration, and Columelle 2008 with harmonious complexity.”*

Cuisine et Vins de France (June-July-August 2011)