

## Loubié

### WINE OF THE WEEK

JOANNA SIMON

The McKinlay family's Loubié rosé, is always mouthwatering, but the 2017, which they bottled earlier than usual, is better than ever – brimful of wild strawberry, spice and cherry aromas, bright strawberry-soda and red-apple fruit shot with cranberry and rosemary, and finally a lingering, leafy freshness. (...) The grapes are all from the domaine, which sits between the pretty hilltop village of Séguret and towering Mont Ventoux, and the 40-year-old Grenache and Syrah vines that produce the rosé grow at 320m, a height which captures daytime sunshine and cooling nights. It works equally as an aperitif or with food – Greek or Turkish meze, herby fish or chicken, veal chop, barbecued vegetables or charcuterie(...).

2017 - OUT OF STOCK

#### 95 - OUTSTANDING

«(...) This Loubié rosé is from vines planted on a mix of clay, limestone and grey sandstone at an altitude of 320m, and it's a 60/40 blend of Grenache and Syrah. Elisabeth Gabay MW: Fresh honey ripe fruits on the nose which follow onto the palate, along with sun-ripened red fruits, cherries, peaches and freshly picked raspberries with beautifully balanced acidity. Andy Howard MW: nice depth and richness on the palate with bright red/black berry fruits and good acidity to balance. There are extra layers of flavour here too. it's well made and has enough concentration to last. Joanna Simon: Ripe strawberry aromas and strawberry fruit on the palate, which is full and smooth with attractive spice and a hint of honey, ending on a leafy, vibrant freshness. »

2017 - OUT OF STOCK



16,5/20

Pale (but not ridiculously pale) greyish rose pink. Mainly Grenache and Syrah. Pretty, lively, fruity nose with some real bottom and interest to it. Good savour and even slightly saline. Really juicy and appetising. This would go with so many foods very happily. Quite long too. What a contrast to the Mourchon La Source white Côtes du Rhône!

2018 - OUT OF STOCK

*Janis Robinson.com*

#### 90

"The light pink/salmon hued 2019 Loubié Rosé from Mourchon a beautiful village not far from Gigondas and is a blend of Grenache and Syrah. It offers a beautiful bouquet of ripe peach, tangerines, and strawberries to go with a juicy, medium-bodied style on the palate. It has bright acidity, plenty of fruit, and is another undeniably delicious rosé from this great estate. Drink it over the coming summer months."

2019 - OUT OF STOCK

### JEB DUNNUCK

#### 88

"A very pure version, with a light stony edge to the elegant mix of white cherry and white peach flavors, backed by a subtle hint of jasmine at the very end. Grenache and Syrah. Drink now. 2,600 cases made, 1,900 cases imported. -JM."

2020



Wine Spectator