

Domaine de l'Amauve.

## **Séguret, our village, our appellation.**

Our appellation - Côtes du Rhône Villages SEGURET – is a small appellation located on the village of Séguret (84-Vaucluse), in the South of the Rhône Valley, close to the small cities of Vaison la Romaine, Orange, Avignon, and not so far from the well known appellations such as Gigondas, Rasteau, Cairanne, Beaufort de Venise.

**Séguret** is a classified village « Plus beaux villages de France ».



Séguret. Le village.

Its history is very old.

Due to its position on an elevation and the fact that it has a spring that feeds it, this place has always been considered a safe place (hence its name Segur - safe in Provençal).

At the beginning of our era, during the Roman era, there were many Roman villas in the village's territory. These villas were surrounded by crops, and it is certain that the vine was one of them.

From the 10th century, Séguret belongs to the Comte de Toulouse who built the castle, located on the top of the hill overlooking the village.



Ruins of the old castle.

In 1274, the Comtat Venaissin, and thus Séguret, officially returned to the Pope. The Papacy will administer the lands of Séguret for 517 years, from 1274 to 1791.

The garnison residing in the castle was paid by the Popes to ensure the security of the region. Pope Urbain V owned the wine fief of Olonne in Séguret, which was used to supply a "Vin de requête", i.e. a highly renowned wine.

In 1650, the wines of the "Côte du Rhône" were renowned. Regulations were introduced to protect their authenticity of origin and guarantee their quality.

In 1685, the first winegrowers' brotherhood was created in Séguret, headed by a woman called "Baylesse". This brotherhood still exists today and is still active. It is the "Confrérie de Gouste Séguret, Compagnons de Saint Vincent".



La Confrérie de Gouste Séguret (en bleu).

The vineyard has always been present in Séguret. But it is from the 20th century that it has been particularly developed.

The Syndicat des Vignerons des Côtes du Rhône was created in 1929. Séguret has been integrated into the Côtes du Rhône appellation since its creation.

The Syndicat de défense des Vignerons de Séguret was created in 1932. Well before the first appellation (Châteauneuf du Pape) which dates back to 1936.

Séguret was awarded the Côtes du Rhône Villages Séguret appellation in 1966.

Nowadays, the Séguret appellation vineyard covers more than 600 hectares.



Le vignoble de Séguret à l'Ouest du village.

**Séguret : the keypoints of the visit of the village :**



The north gate of the ramparts called the «Portail de la Bise».



La fontaine des Mascarons. Listed as historical monument.



La fontaine des Mascarons.



Fontaine des Mascarons and belfry.



Church Saint Denis.



Rue des Poternes.



Portail Neuf (South gate of the ramparts).



The «Place des Arceaux» with its platane trees more than 100 years old.

I hope to meet you soon in Séguret.  
Take care of yourself and your loved in these troubled times with covid-19.

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