

# 2017 CHARLES TYRAND LES ABEILLES

VIGNOBLES CHARLES TYRAND COTES DU RHONE, FRANCE



## THE WINE:

Made with 60% Viognier, 20% Roussanne, 10% Gewurztraminer and 10% Riesling from a single vineyard of 60-year old vines. The name “Les Abeilles” translates to “The Bees” in English because each year the fragrant, ripening fruit attracts swarms of local bees creating a pronounced buzzing sound throughout the vineyard. The wine is fermented and aged in stainless steel.

## THE ESTATE:

Vignobles Charles Tyrand is a tiny producer with vineyards in the Cotes du Rhone and Cotes du Rhone Villages appellations. Located near the town of Seguret, they grow classic Southern Rhone red varietals of Syrah, Grenache, Mourvedre, Cinsault and Carignan. The vines are grown without the use of pesticides and range in age from 10 to 80 years old. Winemaker and owner Jean Michel Tyrand has been making wines for 30 years. Total production is below 3,000 cases each year.

## TASTING NOTES:

**Color:** light sunrise gold

**Aromas:** white jasmine flowers, peach, lychee and hints of wild herbs

**Flavor & Texture:** tropical fruit and white peach show richness and weight yet remain lifted and light with the wines buoyant acids

**Food Pairing:** citrus salad with mandarin wedges, grilled shrimp, slivered almonds, goat cheese, and cilantro

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