

Le grand pas

DOMAINE DU  
PAS DE L'ESCALETTE

TERRASSES DU LARZAC  
APPELLATION D'ORIGINE CONTRÔLÉE

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**The vineyard :**

Nestled at 350 metres (1200 feet) at the base of the Plateau du Larzac, our estate of about twenty hectares is spread over some forty terraces on each side of the valleys of Pégairolles de l'Escalette and Lauroux.

Our head-pruned bush vines are over 50 years old and are joined by newer plantings – all massal selections from the Causse limestone-rich terraces.

The altitude, the deep, well-drained clay-limestone soils, and the cool climate of this valley – together these conditions combine to produce wines of freshness and vibrancy that are specific to this terroir.

**The varietals :** 70% Grenache -15% Carignan -- 15% Syrah

**The spirit of the wine :** This wine symbolizes our Languedoc adventure: *Le Grand Pas* (Big Step) the couple took to move from the Loire Valley to south of France to create their own winery in 2002. Mainly Grenache, it has a fullness on the palate and a fine bouquet – both typical of our high altitude terroir.

**The vinification :**

- 60% Destemmed
- Maceration for 21 days
- Traditional vinification with limited intervention on the grapes
- Alcoholic fermentation in 50hl wooden vats with indigenous yeast
- Malolactic fermentation in wooden vats
- Aged for 1 year in wooden vats

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