



*Chateau Musar*

2019

# JEUNE ROUGE

MOUNT LEBANON \* BEKAA VALLEY, LEBANON



Chateau Musar was founded in 1930 by Gaston Hochar. In 1959, after studying oenology at the University of Bordeaux, his son Serge became winemaker. The civil war that tore Lebanon apart from 1975 to 1990 did not defeat Chateau Musar; Serge refused to abandon the wine, and lost only the 1976 and 1984 vintages to the war. Owing to his inspiring determination and grand passion for his wines, Serge received the inaugural “Man of the Year Award” from Decanter magazine in 1984.

Musar Jeune Red is unfiltered and made according to Musar’s natural wine-making philosophy. The 2019 vintage is fresh and fruity and designed to be enjoyed in its youth.

## VITICULTURE/VINIFICATION

Jeune Red vines, varying in age, are from organically certified vineyards in the western Bekaa Valley. The 2019 vintage was harvested in late August, it was an abnormal weather year in Lebanon with 3 months of continuous rain and snow but this was a welcome relief after years of a drought. May was mild with some rain and sun. Overall this was not a year of intense heat, resulting in red wines of somewhat discreet aromas but concentrated palates with lots of depth and layers of taste.

Grapes were fermented in concrete vats, blended in March 2020 and then rested in concrete vats until bottling in Summer 2020.

## TASTING NOTES

Deep purple in color with aromas of cherry, ripe berry fruits and violet notes. This unoaked wine is wonderfully fresh and full of ripe blueberry fruit. Good acidity keeps the wine vibrant within a medium to full bodied textured palate.

## TECHNICAL INFORMATION

VARIETALS:	50% Cinsault, 40% Syrah, 3% Cabernet Sauvignon
ALC:	13.5%
RS:	.8 G/L
TOTAL ACIDITY:	3.9 G/L
TOTAL SULPHUR:	40 MG/L
PH:	3.9

