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## Châteauneuf-du-Pape 'La Crau' 2016, Domaine du Vieux Télégraphe

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**Price** £61.99  
**Code** VTEL275

The family run Brunier estate encompasses around 70 Ha across the windswept, arid and desolate Le Crau plateau and their wines are arguably the top wines from the whole appellation.

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### Tasting Notes:

Rich, dark and dense with smoky red berry fruit, notes of coffee, minerals and sweet oak. This is a big chewy wine with great ageing potential.

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Specification	
<b>Vinification</b>	The vines average 60 years of age and the vineyard is the hottest in Châteauneuf-du-Pape. The grapes are handpicked, sorted and partially destemmed and then fermented in stainless steel tanks for between 25 - 35 days. After 9 months in concrete tanks, the wine is then aged for 10 months in large oak foudres. This is then bottled, without filtration, after 20 months.
<b>ABV</b>	14.5%
<b>Size</b>	75cl
<b>Drinking Window</b>	Drink now through to 2039
<b>Country</b>	France
<b>Region</b>	Rhône Valley
<b>Area</b>	Châteauneuf-du-Pape
<b>Type</b>	Red Wine
<b>Grape Mix</b>	65% Grenache Noir, 15% Syrah, 15% Mourvèdre, 5% Cinsault, Clairette
<b>Genres</b>	Fine Wine
<b>Vintage</b>	2016
<b>Body</b>	Hearty, rustic and full flavoured
<b>Producer</b>	Domaine du Vieux Télégraphe
<b>Producer Overview</b>	Vieux Télégraphe is one of the most renowned estates of the Southern Rhône.
<b>Closure Type</b>	Cork
<b>Food Matches</b>	Enjoy with the finest cuts of red meats, lamb and even goat. Good cheese and the smellier the better!