

# CHÂTEAU MINUTY

Brought to life in 2014, Minuty's modern tasting room (pictured) and cellar is perfectly situated on the hillsides overlooking the Bay of St. Tropez.



## Prestige Rosé 2022

Côtes de Provence, France

### ESTATE

Château Minuty is the global leader in Côtes de Provence rosé, and beyond that it can be argued is the most important estate in the history of Provence rosé. The Saint-Tropez based, family owned estate has been, since its founding, one of the quality leaders for the region. Minuty then became one of the most visible producers in the second half of the 20th century, a result of quality production and commercial foresight when no one in the region could imagine the global phenomenon Provence rosé would become. And then in the last two decades, Minuty defined the vision for and led the unbelievable growth in Provence rosé around the globe. All this achieved by a family estate now in its third generation, led by two brothers overseeing all the vineyard work, winemaking and sales.

### WINE

If you notice just one wine on the beach and seaside restaurants in the south of France, it is almost certainly Minuty Prestige. This wine has become the emblem of the Riviera lifestyle, and it is a place that has been earned through the unbelievable dedication to quality by the Minuty family.

### VINEYARD

Prestige comes from two Minuty estate vineyards: the original estate vineyard in Saint-Tropez, and Château Verez, located in the hills of Vidauban. Both vineyards are 100% hand harvested.

*Farming:* HVE (Sustainable) Certification

### WINEMAKING

*Harvest:* August 2022

*Variety:* 60% Grenache, 20% Syrah, 10% Cinsault, 10% Rolle

*Fermentation:* Direct pressing to extract free-run juice only; low temperature fermentation

*Aging:* 4 months, stainless steel

*Alcohol:* 12.5%

### VINTAGE

After a cold and dry winter, the flowering happened early. Overall it was an early vintage because of the high temperatures in the spring and the summer combined with low rainfall (resembling the hot 2003 vintage). Fortunately, some welcome rain came right before the harvest relieving some pressure and refreshing the grapes. The harvest started early on August 16. The grapes were concentrated and the yields were below average. Despite the heat, this vintage translates the characteristic of the Minuty terroir combining intensity, elegance and brightness.

### TASTING NOTE

Pale with pomelo highlights. The nose is precise and delicate with notes of flowers and melon. In the mouth, the wine is powerful and well balanced, with notes of citrus and red fruits. It is the most structured and expressive of all the Minuty wines. The whole is underlined by a pleasant minerality.