JEB DUNNUCK **93**

2025 Via Caritatis Ventoux Abbayes Grenache

Ruby/garnet-hued, the 2025 Ventoux Abbayes Grenache is 97% Grenache and 3% Syrah that was fermented with 15% whole clusters and aged in stainless steel and concrete with no wood. It has wild strawberries, red currants, sappy garrigue, and floral nuances on the nose. Medium-bodied on the palate, it has a very pretty, floral, exotic style, soft, integrated tannins, and outstanding length. It's another wine from this team that's impeccably made. Give it a year or three and drink over the following decade. Drink 2029-2039.

Via Caritatis is the label for the wines of the monks of the Abbaye Sainte-Madeleine du Barroux, the nuns of the Abbaye Notre-Dame de l'Annonciation, and local growers in the Ventoux. Jean-Dominique Artaud, then vineyard manager at Domaine de la Janasse, began advising the monks in 2010. The Abbayes Grenache, the Abbayes Syrah, and the Abbayes Clairette come exclusively from the two abbeys' vineyards, cultivated by the monks and nuns. The lineup also includes the Lux Excelsior, the Lux In Altis Blanc, and the Lux de Cælo Rosé.

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