



Négrette N



Name of the variety in France

Négrette

Origin

This variety is originally from the south west of France.

Synonyms

There is no officially recognized synonym in France nor in the other countries of the European Union, for this variety.

Legal information

In France, Négrette is officially listed in the "Catalogue of vine varieties" on the A list and classified.

Use

Wine grape variety.

Evolution of cultivated areas in France

	1958	1968	1979	1988	1998	2008	2018
ha	1523	1733	1125	1167	1250	1487	1096

Descriptive elements

The identification is based on:

- the tip of the young shoot with a high density of prostrate hairs,
- the green or yellow young leaves,
- the circular, dark green adult leaves, entire or with five lobes, with a petiole sinus with parallel edges and the secondary veins start near the petiole sinus, short teeth with convex sides, a flat, shiny, blistered and slightly revolute leaf blade, and on the lower side of the leaves, a low to medium density of erect hairs and a medium density of prostrate hairs,
- the round-shaped or very slightly ellipsoid berries.

Genetic profile

Microsatellite	VVS2	VVMD5	VVMD7	VVMD27	VRZAG62	VRZAG79	VVMD25	VVMD28	VVMD32
Allel 1	131	223	239	176	188	240	238	233	239
Allel 2	131	236	262	182	202	260	238	243	251

Phenology

Bud burst: 9 days after Chasselas.

Grape maturity: mid-season, 2 weeks to 2 weeks and a half after Chasselas.

Suitability for cultivation and agronomic production

This variety, with its late budburst, shows good vigor and is sufficiently fertile when pruned short. However, its susceptibility to coulure or to millerandage may sometimes causes irregular production. Bunches peduncles are short. Négrette produces good results on boulbenes, gravelly and even sandy soils.

Susceptibility to diseases and pests

Négrette is very susceptible to grey rot, powdery mildew, vine leafhoppers and mites.

Technological potentiality

The bunches are small and the berries small to medium in size. This variety produces pleasant and fragrant wines that are rich in anthocyanin. As they are generally not very tannic and acidic, these wines lack liveliness and brilliance. Their ageing capacity is limited so this wine should preferably be consumed quickly. Négrette also produces balanced rosé wines.

Clonal selection in France

The five certified Négrette clones carry the numbers 456, 580, 581, 582 and 663. A conservatory of 190 clones was planted in 1997 in the wine-growing region of Fronton (French department of Haute-Garonne). An other conservatory of fifty or so clones was planted in the French department of Vendée in 2012.

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Description of clones certified in France

Clone no.	Identity and availability		Agronomic data		Technological data	
	<i>Origin</i>	<i>Selection</i>	<i>Fertility</i>	<i>Production level</i>	<i>Sugar level</i>	<i>Color potential</i>
	<i>Year of certification</i>	<i>Agronomic references</i>	<i>Bunch weight</i>	<i>Vigor</i>	<i>Titration acidity</i>	<i>Tannic structure</i>
	<i>Surface area used for propagation (year)</i>		<i>Berry size</i>	<i>Susceptibility to grey rot</i>	<i>Aromatic intensity</i>	<i>Oenological suitability</i>
456	Tarn-et-Garonne	ENTAV	medium	medium	medium	
	1976	Haute-Garonne	medium			
						representative wines of the variety
580	Haute-Garonne	ENTAV	medium	medium	medium	
	1978	Haute-Garonne	medium			
						representative wines of the variety
581	Haute-Garonne	ENTAV	low to medium	medium	high	
	1978	Haute-Garonne	medium		medium to high	
	0.99 ha					representative wines of the variety

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	Year of certification	Agronomic references	Bunch weight	Vigor	Titration acidity	Tannic structure
	Surface area used for propagation (year)		Berry size	Susceptibility to grey rot	Aromatic intensity	Oenological suitability



582	Haute-Garonne	ENTAV	high	high	medium	
	1978	Haute-Garonne	high			
						representative wines of the variety



663	Haute-Garonne	ENTAV	low	low	medium to high	medium to high
	1980	Haute-Garonne	low			medium to high
	1.13 ha					representative wines of the variety



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