2006 Las Flors de la Pèira, AOC Coteaux de Languedoc - FRANCE
Medium-Full Bodied, Dry, Ready, but will keep, Other Varieties, 14.5% alc.

Tasting Notes: Made from 40% Syrah, 40% Grenache and 20% Mourvèdre (therefore known as an SGM), La Flors is aged in small barrels, having , once again been selected from low yielding fruit. Dark fruits, almost rarified into a liqueur, undergrowth and even hints of tar and roses; plenty of personality in other words; the palate has concentration and depth, elegant all the way to its sweetly perfumed finish.
(Simon Field MW - BBR Buyer)

Property: La Peira

Our most exciting **Languedoc** find of 2008, **La Pièra** is located on the limestone plateau of the fashionable enclave of **Les Terraces Du Larzac**.

First planted by the Romans, these beautiful vineyards share the terrain with the Roquefort-producing sheep and the wild savagery of the garrigue. The 'Domaine' consist of a stone barn, its location almost exactly half way between the two great properties of Grange Des Pères and **Mas De Daumas Gassac**.

Highly respected consultant **oenologist Claude Gros** has really struck gold here. His secret is fairly straightforward and centres on traditional winemaking with indigenous varietals (both Carignan and Cinsault pre-date Grenache in the area).

Les Obriers is a perfect introduction to the versatile Pièra portfolio.

Region: Languedoc-Roussillon

In the last 25 years the fortunes of **Languedoc-Rousillon** have been transformed largely due to the introduction of the **Vin de Pays** classification in 1979. This led to extensive replanting on more suitable sites, a drastic reduction in permitted yields and crucially reducing the dependence of red wines on the ubiquitous Carignan grape.

The new classification enabled producers not only to experiment with new grape varieties, but also to pick up the gauntlet thrown down by the **New World**; to give the customers what they wanted - namely, clearly labelled international varietals like Chardonnay and Cabernet Sauvignon.

Despite a sometimes deserved reputation for its contributions to the European wine lake, this exciting region continues to see a flow of investment from the Bordelais and others, which has enabled the evolution of the qualitative pyramid to continue. Perhaps the most striking improvements have been seen in **Minervois La Livinière** and **Pic Saint Loup**, but not far behind are the wines of **St. Chinian** and **Cabardes**. Regardless of the financial influx and the wonderful terroir of the different appellations, the increase in quality is also allied to some extraordinarily gifted winemakers, including Jean-Luc Terrier and Jean-Louis Denois.

Grape: Other Varieties

There are over 200 different grape varieties used in modern wine making (from a total of over 1000). Most lesser known blends and varieties are traditional to specific parts of the world.

If you wish to know the exact make-up of any of the wines in the following list, please don't hestitate to ask the shop manager.

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