



The Daily Drinker

2015 Grolleau, Domaine des Chailloux

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Wine Variety: Grolleau is the third most widely-planted red grape variety in the Loire Valley, trailing Cabernet Franc and Gamay. It has to be grown sympathetically in order for it to produce its best wine; this includes severe pruning and yield control. It seems that the mostly likely origin for the name is an archaic French word for crow - *grolle* - probably referring to the colour of the fruit. Grolleau is yet another offspring of the ubiquitous Gouais Blanc.

Wine Region: Val de Loire is one of France's IGP's - *Indication Géographique Protégée* - that cover large swathes of regional France and which come with their own set of laws governing viticulture and vinification. The Layon tributary of the River Loire lies in Anjou and produces among the valley's finest sweet wines.

Wine Producer: Domaine des Chailloux is in the upper Layon Valley and has its origins as recently as 1983 when Philippe Turc left a horticultural career to commence wine production, joined by a friend skilled in organic production. They follow a path of minimal intervention in vineyard and winery.

Single Bottle **£13.00**

member price: £11.70

Six Bottle Case **£78.00**

member price: £70.20

 Style: Red - light	 Grape Variety: Grolleau	 Producer: Domaine des Chailloux	 Serving Temperature: 15°C
 Alcohol Content: 11.5%	 Country: France	 Appellation: Val de Loire	 Drink By: 2019
 Bottle Size: 75cl	 Region: Loire Valley	 Colour: Still Red	 Food: Asian/Spicy Canapés Chicken Pasta Pork Vegetables

Tasting Notes:

Nose is a fresh one, redolent of salted raspberries and there's a touch of snap about it and a hint of a cream of darker fruits. The cool entry quickly provides snappiness...then lovely, fine chalky tannins. And there's (sorry to use the word again) snappy sustain. A long and fresh and domestic wine. And, guess what? It's *snappy!* Can serve this one cool...

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