



## Nicole Tapon Pink Tapon - 2018

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**Winemaker:** Nicole Tapon

**AOC:** Vin de France

**Vintage:** 2018

**Vol:** 14.5 %

**RS:** 0 g/L

**pH:** 3.42

**S02:** 62 mg/L

**Total Production:** 3,000 bottles

**Cépages:** Merlot Noir, Cabernet Franc

**Vine Age:** 50 years

**Soils:** Limestone clay

**Vegan:** No

**Allergènes:** No

**Closure:** Cork + Foil

**Drinking Window:** 2022 - 2042

**Ethos:** Certified Organic from 2012

**Producer:** Nicole is the 16th generation of the Tapon family to make wine on Bordeaux's iconic Right Bank. Despite the region's reputation for red wines, Nicole is best known for her 'Claret de Bordeaux' -a rare style of deeply coloured, ageworthy, dry Rosé. During our visit in 2021, we tasted the 2018, 2013, 2010 and 2006 each wine provided a compelling, gastronomic experience that combined the best of mature Claret with a fragrant, fresh lift. Nicole's Red wines are diverse in style and geography and she follows a distinctly Burgundian structure to reflect the diversity of terroir, featuring her own name first rather than the multiple châteaux and parcels that she works with.

**Viticulture and Vinification:** During the vinification of the best parcelles of red must, a blend is made from bled-off juice, which finishes its ferment in French oak barriques

**Tasting:** A full bodied, bone dry rosé that gives Tavel and Xinomavro a run for their money. Ripe red fruited, tomato juice, obvious oak influence but extremely well integrated. It's the perfect balance between being a very serious wine and a light juicy red.



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