Languedoc-Roussillon Learning Objectives

Big concepts to know:

The topography of Languedoc as opposed to the topography of Roussillon.
The climates of Languedoc as opposed to the climate of Roussillon.

What to know about grapes:

Identify the principal red and white grapes of Languedoc and Roussillon
Know the grapes and their synonyms

What to know about wines:

Mutage and the crafting of VDNs
Terms to describe reductive and oxidative VDNs
The history of Blanquette de Limoux
The Ancestral Method of sparkling wine production

What to know about AOCs:

Know the dominant soil types of the important AOCs
Know the dominant grape(s) of the important AOCs
The names and significance of Roussillon’s three rivers to Côtes du Roussillon Villages
Know the role and significance of IGP d’Oc
Identify the two appellations that can incorporate fruit from Languedoc and Roussillon

What is not on the exam:

You do not need to memorize the 12 districts of the Languedoc AOC
You do not need to memorize the 6 crus of Languedoc.
You do not need to memorize the 4 crus/villages that can append their name to Côtes du Roussillon Villages.
You do not need to memorize the 56 authorized grapes for IGP d’Oc nor which grapes are primary and which are secondary.