La Dardouille Red

Domaine Emmanuel Darnaud - Saint Joseph

Red,Saint Joseph

100% Syrah

HISTORY

Emmanuel Darnaud started his domaine in 2001 with just 1.3 hectares of vines but now has 15 hectares, all in Crozes-Hermitage.Since 2010 , the vineyard has been enriched with a new appellation : 1.7 ha of St Joseph . His painstaking work in the vineyard and regard for the fruit in the vinification process have ensured his place amongst the “big boys” with his first 2001 vintage. The quality of his wines has earned him great praise in French and international revues, as well as a place in many Michelin-starred restaurants. "If you like dark, rich, smoky-styled Syrah, this is a domaine for you to try."J. Molesworth.

VINEYARD

Northern Côtes du Rhône, on the Eastern bank of the Rhone river. The climate is continental with a Mediterranean influence. Glacial alluviums of smooth pebbles. Vines : 10 to 35 years old - 0.30 acres - Yield : 14.2 Hl/acre

Tasting notes

Dark red with a powerful nose of very ripe cherry and a hint of black olive paste. A very luscious expressive wine to savour and enjoy on all occasions.

Food pairing

Grilled meat such as kid, cold cuts and mild cheeses.

WINEMAKING

The grapes are harvested by hand, destemmed, then cold macerated and fermented in open concrete vats. Maturing in barrels, 1/3 of which are new.

PRESS

Current and upcoming vintage ratings :

2021 91 Jeb Dunnuck

Previous rating

2020 93 Decanter
2020 93-95 Wine Advocate
2020 93 Jeb Dunnuck
2019 92 Wine Advocate
2019 92 Wine Spectator
2019 96 Jeb Dunnuck
2018 96 Wine Advocate
2018 92 Wine Enthusiast
2018 95 Jeb Dunnuck

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2021

“From one of the most talented vignerons in the Rhône, the 2021 Saint Joseph Lieu-Dit La Dardouille has a ruby/purple hue to go with a perfumed, complex bouquet of red and blue fruits, violets, peppery herbs, and an undeniable sense of minerality. It’s balanced, medium-bodied, has supple yet present tannins, and outstanding length.”

Jeb Dunnuck