



E. GUIGAL



Gigondas 2014

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ESTATE

The more you learn about the Guigal family, the more astounding becomes their story. Their wines are the benchmarks for every Rhone appellation, and over the last thirty years they have become arguably the most lauded producer in the world. Year after year the Guigal family produces wines of exceptional quality that in all classes offer exceptional value.

WINE

Guigal's Gigondas is an incredible introduction to serious Southern Rhône reds, and a show-stopper at the price. In the hands of Guigal, the rich ripe fruit and savory character of the wine bursts with sheer pleasure, yet the wine displays terrific refinement, complexity, length and ability to age.

VINEYARD

Soils: The dry, stony slopes produce substantial wines that are deep in color, with flavors of ripe summer fruits and savory herbs.

Farming: The vineyards of Gigondas are planted on hillsides at the foot of Mont Ventoux, directly north-east of the town of Orange in the southern Rhône Valley. Guigal selects wines from small domaines to produce a blend which is true to the appellation, yet polished, refined, and capable of aging many years.

Grape Varieties: 70% Grenache, 20% Syrah and 10% Mourvèdre

WINEMAKING

Fermentation: The wine sees a traditional lengthy maceration

Aging: Two years in oak, of which 50% are new.

Alcohol: 14.5%

VINTAGE

2014 was a vintage in which constant vineyard care was required, with the wet July presenting the greatest challenge. The hard work resulted in wines that have plenty of fruit and tannin, but are not warm in character. It is in these types of vintages especially that we find Guigal's quality approach and long aging brings out nuances and integration that elevate their wines to remarkable levels.



JEB DUNNUCK

"The 2014 Gigondas is a terrific success in the vintage and has a complex, perfumed style. Blackberries, flowers, peppery garrigue and leather notes, as well as fine tannin, medium to full-bodied richness, and good acidity all make for an outstanding Southern Rhône that will drink nicely for 7-8 years."