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## DOMAINE DE L'ESPIGOUETTE RASTEAU "PAS DE MEUNIER"



### TECHNICAL INFORMATION

<b>Country</b>	France
<b>Region</b>	Rhone
<b>Sub-Region</b>	Rasteau
<b>Producer</b>	Domaine de l'Espigouette
<b>Vintage</b>	2015
<b>Composition</b>	70% GRENACHE, 20% SYRAH, 10% MOURVEDRE
<b>Certifications</b>	Certified Organic
<b>Press</b>	91 points Wine Advocate

### WINEMAKER NOTES

Domaine de l' Espigouette is now run by Bernard Latour, his wife and two sons, Julian and Emilien The estate vineyard is located in the Rhone Valley of France: Gigondas, Vacqueyras, Rasteau, Plan of God, Violes, Jonquieres. They carefully work the vineyard according to the climatic characteristics of vintage and different terroirs. The palate is full and generous. The tannins are present but do not dominate. The sensation of sweetness typical of this appellation and is easily noticeable. The balance is perfect between freshness, alcohol and structure.

### TASTING NOTES

Ruby-red cherry color. Fruity aromas dominate: blackberry, candied cherry, crushed strawberry. Then, complexity is expressed and sweet spices combine with scents of black olives and cocoa bean.

### PAIRING SUGGESTIONS

If you decide to open today, decanting will enjoy its aromatic palette; otherwise it will keep between 3 and 6 years before opening with a wild game or marinated meat to take full advantage of its potential.

### VINEYARD

The vineyard is located on the heights of the appellation. The stony clay soils gives the wine aromas of wild blackberry, licorice and cocoa; while sandy, clay soils provide elegance, finesse and depth. The vines have an average age of 45 years for the Côtes du Rhône and Plan de Dieu vines. The family works in the vineyards and select the grapes for maximum ripeness and concentration when harvested mechanically then carefully sorted before harvest.



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**PRESS**

"The medium to full-bodied 2015 Rasteau Pas du Meunier has turned out well, featuring subtle spice notes and red plums. The mid-palate is plush and creamy-textured, leading into a fresh finish that features Wild Berry Zinger tea and even hints of orange zest." - 91 points, Joe Czerwinski, *Wine Advocate*

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