

**EVERY BOTTLE** 

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# DOMAINE DE L'ESPIGOUETTE VACQUEYRAS



Country	France
Region	Rhone
Sub-Region	Vacqueyras
Producer	Domaine de l'Espigouette
Vintage	2016
Composition	80% GRENACHE, 15% SYRAH, 5% MOURVEDRE
Alcohol	14.5%
Press	90 points Wine Advocate
Certifications	Certified Organic

### WINEMAKER NOTES

Domaine de l'Espigouette is an organically grown vineyard that has been family run for four generations, and is located in the Rhone Valley of France. The estate is currently run by Bernard Latour, his wife, and his two sons Julian and Emilien; who carefully work the vineyard according to the climatic characteristics of vintage and different terroirs. Light oak adds a perfect complexity. The mouth is powerful, bulky. It is nicely tannic but the tannins are well coated, they give a relief.

#### **TASTING NOTES**

Red color, with hints of deep purple with good clarity and good brightness. The nose is of laurel, rosemary and something fresh, almost thyme, then an explosion of blackberry and candied cherry.

#### PAIRING SUGGESTIONS

Serve in 3-5 years on a leg of lamb with crunchy vegetables or a nice piece of beef. Spices will not frighten this wine.

#### VINEYARD

Vacqueyras is a local appellation wines of southern Côtes du Rhône in the Vaucluse . Its soil is at the foot and on the slopes of the Massif des Dentelles, and spans the towns of Vacqueyras and Sarrians Hautes Garrigues on an area of 1300 hectares. The terroir of Vacqueyras , which is at the bottom of the foothills of the Dentelles, extends small hills and terraces towards the Ouvèze valley. Our plot is situated on the high scrublands of Sarrians and is marked by a soil roller roulés. This soil type stores heat during the day and return it to the plant at night.





## VITICULTURE

The family works in the vineyards and select the grapes for maximum ripeness and concentration when harvested mechanically then carefully sorted before harvest.

#### PRESS

"A blend of 80% Grenache, 15% Syrah and 5% Mourvèdre, the 2016 Vacqueyras features hints of leather and cola layered over red raspberries. It's medium to full-bodied, with a velvety texture, ample concentration and just a bit of coarseness on the finish. Drink it over the next 4-5 years." *90 points, Joe Czerwinski, Wine Advocate* 

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