





# Domaine du Clos des Tourelles

## Domaine du Clos des Tourelles, a place out of time, surrounded by his "clos" of old Grenache.

### PRESENTATION

Vines and old vines from this vineyard, whether from the mid-slopes or from the heart of the "Clos", provide the wine with elegance and a unique aromatic finesse.

### THE VINTAGE

The 2011 vintage is a vintage of contrasts. That is to say an unusually hot, dry spring followed by a wet and rainy beginning of July and then an Indian summer lasting until the end of October. Carefully sorting and destemming the harvest allowed for a great vintage, particularly for the late harvest varieties.

### LOCATION

The "Domaine des Tourelles" is located at the foot of the village of Gigondas. The vineyard, which includes a "Clos" directly next to the Property and the village, is orientated north west and enjoys a cool microclimate which allows late harvests.

#### TERROIR

The vineyard's soils are calcareous, with a very specific sandy matrix, which can be felt more specifically within the "clos".

#### AGEING

We ferment the whole crop (no de stemming) with indigenous yeast. Ageing takes place in oak casks for 15 months. Bottling takes place without filtration.

## VARIETALS

Grenache noir, Syrah

### SERVING

Serve at 16°C

### TASTING

Color: deep and velvety ruby color Nose: ripe red fruits, violet, licorice, mineral.

Mouth: Tannins are present but not aggressive.

With its specific aromas of violet and licorice, its finesse and elegance, this wine is a "civilized" version of Gigondas.

### REVIEWS AND AWARDS

## WINEACCESS 90-92/100

"Bright ruby. Precise aromas of cherry, raspberry, Asian spices and white pepper. Juicy and bright, offering tangy red fruit and spicecake flavors that deepen with aeration. An elegant, silky midweight, finishing with bright minerality and gentle tannins." Josh Raynolds, International Wine Cellar, 01/02/2013

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### 94/100

"Two wines that blew me away were the old vine Gigondas cuvées! The 2011 Gigondas Domaine du Clos des Tourelles shows shocking depth and concentration in the vintage, with full-bodied power, beautiful ripeness and sweet tannin. Showing plenty of cedar, spice and meaty dark fruits, it is one serious Gigondas to drink over the coming decade or more." Jeb Dunnuck, Wine Advocate

## Wine Spectator

88/100

"Caressing in feel, with raspberry and plum coulis flavors followed by lightly mulled cherry, red licorice and rooibos tea hints. The anise-tinged finish hangs nicely." Wine Spectator

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