







Domaine du Clos des Tourelles Gigondas - 2012

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

2012 is a vintage of contrasts with a very mild start of the year and a freezing month of February. A fresh and humid spring, followed by a windy and dry month of July and a very hot month of August. The harvesting conditions were ideal. All these conditions make a great vintage.

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



16,5/20

"Mid dark ruby. Polished and meaty and very suave. Dry finish and promising, but not

there yet."

JR, Jancis Robinson





94-97/100

"Another prodigious Gigondas who's only problem is that there's not enough of it, the 2012 Gigondas Clos des Tourelles (95% Grenache and 5% Syrah) comes from a vineyard just outside of the village. Slightly darker in character than the Vieilles Vignes, it boasts awesome aromatics of cassis, toasted spice, licorice, ground herbs and massive minerality. This is followed by a medium to full-bodied, rich and concentrated Gigondas that has beautiful tannin structure, notable freshness and building richness that comes through on the finish. Rich and textured, as well as elegant, it's a rock-star 2012 that will have two decades of longevity."

Jeb Dunnuck, Wine Advocate, 10/03/2014



93/100

"Bright purple. A highly aromatic bouquet evokes spicy black raspberry and cherry scents, along with hints of garrigue and spicecake. Stains the palate with sweet red fruit and floral flavors, picking up a stony element with air. Shows hints of darker fruits on the strikingly persistent finish, which is framed by smooth, slow-building tannins."

Josh Raynolds, Vinous, 15/05/2015

Wine Spectator

93/100

"A ripe, silky style, with lush boysenberry and plum confiture notes that glide along, maintaining definition as hints of fruitcake, anise and chocolate move throughout."

James Molesworth, Wine Spectator, 15/11/2015

