





# Domaine La Fourmone, Le Poète, AOP Vacqueyras, Red

AOP Vacqueyras, Vallée du Rhône, France

Domaine la Fourmone is a multi-generational domaine run by Marie-Thérèse Combe and her daughter, Florentine and son, Albin. The property dates back to the mid-1700's when it originally grew wheat. Here, viticulture is organic and winemaking is traditional.

#### **PRESENTATION**

The Fourmone wines are the humble witnesse to natural characteristics. Concrete vats are used for the fermentation and ageing of the reds. A very small percentage of the white Vacqueyras and the old vine cuvées red are aged in 600 litre demi-muids, so there is next to no oak flavour influence on the wines.

#### LOCATION

The vines for Cuvée Le Poète are located precisely on the Cône de la Font des Papes terroir.

#### **TERROIR**

Light beige sandy-clay silts with small limestone fragments and a well-developed root profile to a depth of two meters.

# IN THE VINEYARD

Thirty-year-old Grenache and Syrah vines give it a personality all its own.

#### WINEMAKING

After infusing the grapes for 3 weeks in temperature-controlled stainless steel vats.

#### **AGEING**

Aged in concrete vats, then rested in bottles for at least 6 months.

### **VARIETALS**

Grenache noir 50%, Syrah 50%

### 14,5 % VOL.

GM: No.

Contains sulphites. Does not contain egg or egg products. Does not contain milk or milk-based products.

# SERVING

16°C/61°F

# AGEING POTENTIAL

5 to 10 years

# **TASTING**

Perfumed black cherry and raspberry are shaded by darker tones of underbrush, wild mint, leather and granite in this full-bodied but vibrantly balanced red. A blend of Grenache and Syrah sourced from clay and sandy soils, it's fruity but cut by a mineral edge too. It's a potent, full-bodied wine but finessed on its feet. Silky tannins and a luscious mouthfeel linger nicely.





# **FOOD PAIRINGS**

Syrah & Grenache is a quintessential red blend calling for red fleshed foods – from beef and lamb to tuna, goose and game, or else fattier cuts of pork. It is amazing with barbecue as a lot of people pick up cedar and wood smoke aromas in the wine that flatter any steak you toss on the barbecue.

# **REVIEWS AND AWARDS**

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