





Domaine La Fourmone, Le Secret, AOP Gigondas, Red, 2021

AOP Gigondas, 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.

IN THE VINEYARD

The sun-drenched berries carry with them the Mediterranean fragrances that travel up the small hillsides.

WINEMAKING

This wine is a blend of mainly Grenache and Mourvèdre grapes. Each vinification is managed independently.

AGEING

Aged in half-muids (70%) and oak barrels (30%) for 12 months.

VARIETALS

Grenache noir 70%, Mourvèdre 30%

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

Over 15 years

TASTING

A lift of acidity and perfumed rose and violet-petal aromas accent this wine's pristine cherry and berry flavors. Smoky violet perfume intensifies throughout this silky, full-bodied wine. It's richly composed yet full-bodied and supple in texture, with an ease accentuated by fine-grained, integrated tannins.

FOOD PAIRINGS

This wine is a remarkably flexible wine with food, while oak treatment in used vessels means it can be enjoyed alongside an even broader range of lighter dishes such as fish, veal, and poultry.





REVIEWS AND AWARDS

JEB DUNNUCK

91-94

"Based on Grenache and Mourvèdre, the 2021 Gigondas Le Secret is a terrific effort in the vintage, offering a nose of bright berry fruits, ground pepper, and flowers, medium body, silky tannins, and wonderful overall balance. It's clearly up with the top Gigondas in the vintage."

Jeb Dunnuck

Decanter

91/100

"Structured and powerful. Rounded and juicy, with good acidity. Nice sense of ripeness and finesse to the tannins, and generally well balanced, despite the raised alcohol. Quite reductive at the time of tasting, so give this a good decant."

Decanter



