



# JEAN-MICHEL GERIN

## SAINT-JOSEPH 2017

### BACKGROUND

Located in the heart of the Côte-Rôtie vineyards near the village of Ampuis, Domaine Jean-Michel Gerin was created in 1983 with vines inherited from his father and grandfather and they began to bottle and sell under the Jean-Michel Gerin brand.

In 1988 Gerin made his first purchase of vines in Les Grandes Places and added to his holdings in 1989, with the purchase of land on La Landonne. Today, the estate covers nearly 30 acres in the Côte-Rôtie appellation where Jean has now been joined by his two sons, Michael and Alexis.

### APPELLATION

Saint Joseph Rouge (Rhône Valley), France

### VARIETAL COMPOSITION

100% Syrah

### WINEMAKING & VINTAGE NOTES

Grown in granite soils on hillside vineyards with South/Southeast exposure. Gerin uses native yeasts for all their wines.

### AGEING

Aged 15 months in barrels of two to four years.

### TASTING NOTES

Youthful purple with smoky, focused dark berry and violet scents are sharpened by a suggestion of cracked pepper. Juicy and focused on the palate, offering bitter cherry and black currant flavors that show an open-knit character and appealing sweetness. Dusty tannins shape the finish, which hangs on with strong tenacity and repeating florality.

Pairs well with veal stew, lamb, duck, risotto, stuffed mushrooms, and hard cheeses.

### WINEMAKER

Jean-Michel Gerin

### TECHNICAL DATA

Alcohol  
12.5%

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91  
POINTS

JAMES SUCKLING  
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