

DOMAINES PAUL MAS

## LA FORGE ESTATE

SYRAH 2015

### BACKGROUND

Jean-Claude Mas, independent winemaker, fourth generation grape grower, first generation winemaker and owner of Domaines Paul Mas, is a leader in fine winemaking in the Languedoc region of the South of France. Since taking the helm of the family winery in 2000, he has prioritized sourcing the highest quality grapes from twelve privately owned estates and premier growers in the Languedoc to make wines of authenticity and refinement. The result is a collection of magnificently charming wines that burst forward with the warmth and stunning beauty of the Languedoc.

La Forge Estate wines symbolize the fusion of the old and the new worlds of winemaking. Old world wines with new world attitude showing an expressive, round and aromatic style, brightened up by a subtle dose of oak barrel ageing.

### APPELLATION

Languedoc, France

### VARIETAL COMPOSITION

100% Syrah

### WINEMAKING & VINTAGE NOTES

Limestone with gravel and clay soils. The fermentation takes place at 80°F maximum on the first day and the temperature is brought down to 75°F for the next four days. The maceration lasts for ten days in between 65°F to 73°F with daily pumping over. The wine is then very softly pressed with a pneumatic press. First pressings are re-blended. 40% of the wine undergoes malolactic fermentation in 225 liter oak barrels.

### AGEING

The wine is aged in American Oak (20% new) for six months.

### TASTING NOTES

A complex and intense nose with notes of violet and blueberry combined with pepper, licorice and mocha aromas supported by a hint of oak. Full-bodied with velvety tannins, this Syrah reveals aromas of blackcurrant and violet with notes of leather and licorice coming through.

Best served at 62°F with lamb, game or strong-flavored cheeses.



### WINEMAKER

Jean-Claude Mas

### TECHNICAL DATA

Alcohol  
14%

SUGGESTED RETAIL PRICE:  
\$11.99



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