



JEAN-MICHEL GERIN

“LA VIALLIÈRE” CÔTE-RÔTIE 2015

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

Côte-Rôtie (Rhône Valley), France

VARIETAL COMPOSITION

100% Syrah

WINEMAKING & VINTAGE NOTES

Grown in micaschiste on hillside vineyards with exposure from South/Southeast from a parcel just below Les Grandes Places. 100% destemmed and macerated for 30 days.

AGEING

Aged in 100% new oak 500-liter barrels (Demi-muids).

TASTING NOTES

Beautiful notes of red fruits and spices framed by gunflint and black olives. Saturated ruby color. A complex, intensely perfumed bouquet evokes energetic dark berry, floral pastille, olive and smoky mineral qualities, while a peppery nuance slowly emerges. Sappy, penetrating and pure, showing impressive lift and appealing sweetness to the spice-tinged blueberry and cherry cola flavors. Aeration brings out candied licorice and bacon nuances that carry through a very long, youthfully tannic finish.

Pairs well with game, strong cheeses, sausages and beef.

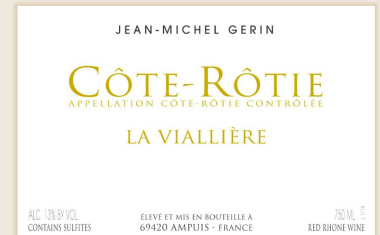
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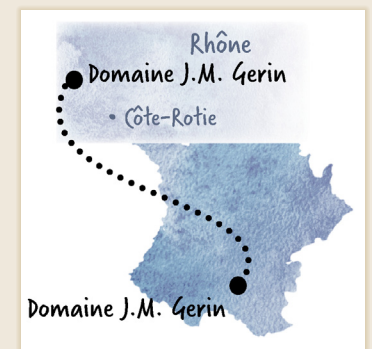
Alcohol
13.5%

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