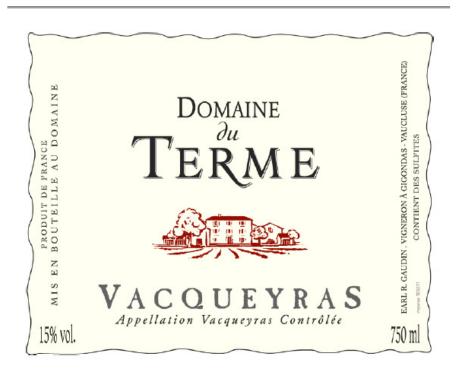


Gigondas Domaine Du Terme

PROFILE

Located in the foothills of the Montmirail Mountains, Domaine du Terme is managed by Anne-Marie Gaudin and her father Rolland, who purchased their first vines in Sablet some forty years ago. Anne-Marie began making the wines in 1987 after earning her oenology degree in Mâcon. Her father, Rolland, who has also been the mayor of Gigondas for over a decade, still consults in the vinification and viticulture process. Anne-Marie believes one must be "flexible, pragmatic, and intuitive" to make quality wine, and have a good connection to the earth. Gaudin does not use any pesticides or herbicides as a matter of course, but not necessarily because she wants to be identified with the organic movement. She simply believes that the best grapes come from the best management of the vineyard. For all her wines, Anne-Marie only adds SO2 at fermentation, then not again, not even during bottling. As a result her wines are rich, textured, and exceptionally pure.



SPECIFICATIONS

Wine: Vacqueyras

Varietals: 80% Grenache 20% Syrah

Appellation: Vacqueyras AOC

Location: Rhône **Soil:** Clay-limestone

Vineyard Age: 45 years

Vineyard Area: 25

Harvest: Manual

Production: 10,000 bottles/year

Agricultural Method: HVE-Certified

(Sustainable)

Vinification: 95% destemmed, punching down of the cap, then a long fermentation in vat (no foudre) under temperature control, use of natural yeasts, no filtration, fining before bottling.

Tasting Note: Black cherry, liquorice and a subtle hint of tar lead to fine, polished tannins. Ideal pairing with baked camembert, braised lamb, Persian pomegranate walnut stew.

Alcohol: 15.00%



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