HOUSE OF TOWNEND

Gigondas 'Terrasse du Diable' 2021, Domaine Les Pallières

Price	£36.99
Code	PALL140

The grapes are grown on terraces in the most northerly reaches of the appellation, in the lieux-dits of Poncet, Thomas, Les Pallières and Terrasse du Diable, at an altitude of 250-400 metres. Most are small, isolated plots surrounded by woodland. A warm, integrated and generous wine, a stony streak of minerality and a lick of freshness provide added dimension.

Tasting Notes:

Produced in exactly the same way as its sister wine, the only difference being its terroir. A bouquet of aromatic violet petals and fresh, wild red fruits. The palate is fresh and intense, taut and mineral with blackcurrant and liquorice fruits. The tannins are firm and bold, indicating an excellent ageing potential. A wine of great character and complexity.



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Specification	
Vinification	The grapes are grown on the higher altitude terraced vineyards, handpicked and partially destemmed, before fermentation in concrete and oak tanks. After a period of ten months ageing in concrete vats, the wine is aged in large oak foudres for a period of ten months. It is then bottled without filtration.
ABV	14.5%
Size	75cl
Drinking Window	Drink from 2027
Country	France
Region	Rhône Valley
Area	Gigondas
Type	Red Wine
Grape Mix	90% Grenache, 5% Mourvèdre, 5% Clairette
Genres	Fine Wine
Vintage	2021
Body	Hearty, rustic and full flavoured
Producer	Domaine Les Pallières
Producer Overview	Perhaps the finest estate in Gigondas and certainly one of the finest estates in the Southern Rhône. 25 hectares of vines, with an average age of 65-70 years, sitting in its own elevated hidden bowl, facing north west and surrounded by 100 hectares of wild garrigue.
Closure Type	Cork
Food Matches	Delicious with grilled sirloin with pepper sauce, great cheese and hearty vegatarian dishes.