



LOUIS BERNARD

As of 1976, Mr Bernard traveled throughout the Rhône Valley in search of exceptional winegrowers producing wines of great authenticity and true to their terroir. Since then, close partnerships have been established with more than 20 respected vineyard owners. 40 years later, the Louis Bernard spirit is still alive and has been given a new inspiration thanks to a young and dynamic team established in the village of Gigondas. Generous, convivial, accessible are the descriptions that come to mind when discovering these inspiring wines. **With Louis Bernard wines, enhance every moment!**

DOMAINE LE GARRIGON CUVÉE DES VIEUX TRUFFIERS CÔTES DU RHÔNE



Domaine le Garrigon has been passed down for three generations and is located in the heart of the Côtes du Rhône area, near the village of **Tulette in the Drôme Provençale**.

The estate was founded in 1919 by the grandfather of the current owners. Thanks to the combined efforts of the grandfather and his son, the property reached 60 hectares in 1946 at the end of the second World War.

Since 1997 the entire property has been cultivated **organically**, one of the first domaines to do so in the region.

The soils (clay-limestone and clay-silt), with Rhodanian terraces (smooth, round cobblestones) favor the production of rich and heady wines.

The presence of wild animals in the vineyards (hares, roes, etc.) contributes to the balance and harmony between the soils, the plants, the wines and ourselves. **Respect and preservation of the environment** has always been a priority at the domaine. The vine is a living organism and we all have a responsibility to preserve the plant, animal and human kingdoms.



We aspire to preserve a **natural balance** and the purity of our wines is essential. Organic farming reveals the finer elements of the terroir. Although this has been important for the domaine in the past as well as in the present, it is the future generations that will benefit from this visionary approach. Respect the soil, take care of the vines naturally and maintain a **healthy environment**, those are our commitments.



The '**Cuvée des Vieux Truffiers**' name evokes the other iconic Vaucluse speciality: **truffle**. A **gourmet treasure** that grows in and around the vineyards of the Domaine.



Sylvain,
Louis Bernard winemaker

The spirit of Louis Bernard

Sylvain Jean, the Louis Bernard winemaker, with our winegrower partners is committed to sustainable agriculture and earth-friendly policies. He is convinced that the quality of a wine depends above all on the selection of the fruit in respect of the environment. Together they guarantee that the '**Louis Bernard style**' is very much focused on **Grenache**, the king of grape varieties in the **southern Rhône Valley**.

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Harvest 2017

The 2017 vintage is one of the most promising of the past few years with wines that are particularly **elegant** and **harmonious**, with **superb, concentrated aromas** and a solid ageing potential for the red wines. The weather conditions during the growing season were difficult and extreme, resulting in a challenging task at harvest time. The high temperatures and almost total lack of rainfall since Springtime brought the harvest date forward by almost 10 days in many regions. Although these extreme conditions impacted heavily on the size of the harvest, with **one of the smallest** in the last 60 years, the quality is exceptional.

Traditional winemaking

Exclusively made with **organic grapes** crushed and de-stemmed. The estate works only with indigenous yeast, without any enzymes, animal by-products, herbicides or pesticides.

The wine matured in vats for 6-8 months before bottling.
Vegan wine.

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Grape Varieties

Grenache and Syrah. An average yield of 40hl/ha as well as an average vine age of 25 years allows the 80 hectares to maintain a consistent quality level.

Tasting notes

Deep purple-red color with bright violet tints. Pleasant and elegant nose opening with black fruit notes mixed with spices. Ample, silky and supple on the palate with a round, ripe finish.

Service & food pairing

Serve between 63°- 65°F. Enjoy now or within 4 years of age with sausages, spinach mushroom cannelloni or vegetable pies.

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