

## Domaine du Terme, Célestin, Gigondas, Rhône, France, 2018



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Tasted by **Matt Walls** (at 2018 En primeur tastings, Rhône Valley, 01 Oct 2019)  
Part of **Southern Rhône 2018 report: The top scorers**



A cuvée unique to the 2018 vintage, marking the purchase of the estate 100-years-ago by their great-grandfather Célestin from another branch of the family. Grown on the Hauts Garrigues near Santa Duc, co-fermented Grenache and Mourvèdre, the Syrah fermented separately. The first time the estate has experimented using demi-muids for maturing the wine - length of élevage as yet undecided. This has vibrant berry fruit and a touch of cold wood ash. It's an upright style, with fairly grippy tannins - it's shapely, long and deep with a nice sense of freshness. There are no excesses - all very well balanced, this should age with interest. A very successful experiment, hopefully to be repeated.

Drinking Window 2021 - 2030

Producer	Domaine du Terme	Vintage	2018	80% <b>Grenache / Garnacha</b>
Type	Still	Colour	Red	5% <b>Mourvèdre</b>
Country	France	Region	<b>Rhône</b>	20% Syrah / Shiraz
Appellation	Gigondas	Sweetness	Dry	
Closure	Cork	Alcohol	15.00%	
Body	Full	Oak	Lightly Oaked	

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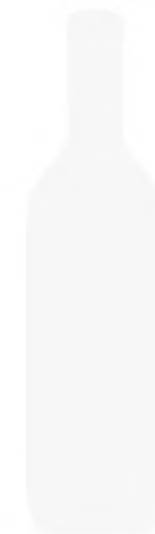
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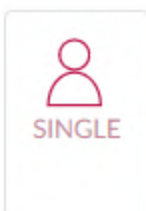


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This is deep and concentrated with dark plum, damson, bay and juniper. It's powerful on the palate, dense but fresh with good balancing acidity and a long finish. Quite a tannic style, that will take a while to come around, but will give a lot of pleasure. It's more dramatic than elegant with a nice sense of textural relief alongside a little touch of menthol. Good value. 20% whole bunch, no oak, four years maturation in tank before bottling.

Drinking Window 2024 - 2031

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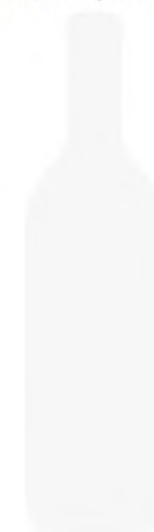
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