

THORMAN HUNT

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Domaine Les Pallières, Gigondas



Au Petit Bonheur

Grower

This is 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 at between 250-400m, facing north west and surrounded by 100 hectares of wild garrigue. Huge improvements and investments have been made both in the vineyards and the cellar. A ring of small fermentation vessels has been installed, both wooden and concrete, so that they can pick very small parcels at optimum ripeness. Little new oak is used and the wines are matured in large foudres.

Vineyards

Au Petit Bonheur Les Pallières is the only Vin de France produced by the Brunier family in Rhône Valley.

Vinification

It is a blend of grenache, cinsault and clairette grapes, pressed straight after hand picking and then fermented together and matured in oak, in 650-litre demi-muids. It is bottled at the end of the winter after harvesting; slight filtration confers a crisp, brilliant appearance.

Style

A consummate mealtime wine; it captures the freshness, elegance and fullness of the lieu-dit Les Pallières.

Grape varieties:

Grenache, Cinsault, Clairette

Vegetarian: yes

Vegan: yes

Bottling options: 75cl, 3l

Closure: cork

