

Domaine des Des Espiers, Gigondas Les Grames Gigondas, France



Domaine des Espiers was created in 1989, and counts 9.5 hectares. The estate is certified organic, and Philippe Cartoux thrives to make authentic wines in Gigondas, Sablet and Cotes du Rhone appellations.

On the estate yield are kept low (35hl/ha), vine density is high (5400vines per hectare) and green harvest is practiced in order to produce wines with great structure and complexity.

The Gigondas AOC was recognized in 1971 and counts today 1200hectares. Domaine des Espiers owns 4 hectares in Gigondas. Philippe Cartoux is making some of the appellation's more distinctive and ageworthy wines.

This cuvée "Les Grames" is now named after the "lieu dit" on which its 1.5 hectares of vines is situated.

Gigondas Les Grames shows exuberant red fruit notes from Grenache and lovely savory undertones.



Certified organic



Hand harvested



65% Grenache,
35% Syrah



Vineyard age:
25-35 years



Aged 6 months in
600L barrels



Yield: 32hl/ha



Soil:
clay-limestone



Annual production:
15 000 bottles



Grapes are not destemmed.
Spontaneous fermentation with indigenous yeast in stainless steel tank, then aged for 6 months in 600L barrels. The wine is bottled unfiltered.