RHONE

# COLLINES RHODANIENNES: JEANNE GAILLARD MERLOT PETIT MERLE

## Pierre Gaillard

**TASTING NOTES**

This 100% Merlot with a deep colour reveals a nose with nuances of stone fruits, sweet spices and a delicate vegetal sensation. The beautifully structured mouth is fresh and long.



**WITH FOOD**

Cheese

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| **VINTAGE** | 2022 |
| **REGION** | Rhone |
| **APPELLATION** | Collines Rhodaniennes |
| **PRODUCER** | Jeanne Gaillard |
| **GRAPES** | 100% Merlot |
| **KEEPING** | Drink within 5 years of bottling. |
| **VINIFICATION** | When maturity is at its optimum, the grapes are harvested. They are then quickly transported to the cellar in an insulated truck. The extraction is gentle so as to obtain silky tannins while respecting the delicious fruitiness of the Merlot. The breeding allows a moderate oxygenation which supports this aromatic. |
| **BOTTLE** | 75cl |
| **VOLUME** | 13.5% |

## FAMILLE GAILLARD

Pierre Gaillard, after studying Viticulture and Enology and bought his first vineyard in 1981. The Gaillard Family own 4 vineyards across Rhone, Roussillon, and across southern France. The Pierre Gaillard vineyard is located in the northern part of the Rhone Valley, ranging from Cote-Rotie down through to Cornas in the South, this vineyard is made up of 25 hectares, situated on the steep slopes. The grape varieties grown are Viognier and Roussanne. This Madeloc Vineyard is made up of 29 hectares, with a large variety of grapes including Vermentino and Grenache Noir. The vineyards are overlooking the sea.

The eldest daughter of Pierre and Pascale Gaillard, Jeanne took the plunge in 2008 when she acquired around fifteen hectares of vines. Today, she produces both frank and gourmet wines in IGP Collines Rhodaniennes as well as great wines for laying down in AOC Saint-Joseph!