


Famille  
**PIERRE GAILLARD**

VITICULTEURS À MALLEVAL ET AUTRES PENTES


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**Clos de Cuminaille**  
A.O.C SAINT-JOSEPH

 FRESH AND DELICATE

 SYRAH

 GRANITE

 TO BE ENJOYED  
WITHIN 10 YEARS



## TERROIR

Commune	Chavanay
Soil	Granitic sand
Surface area	3 ha
Orientation	East
Topography	Hillside
Density	6,500 plants/ha

This historical vineyard is situated on the upper half of the hillside and faces the east. It was the first parcel cleared, developed and planted in 1981 by Pierre Gaillard. Its light granite soil and orientation provide the Syrah grapes with minerality and freshness.

## VINIFICATION & AGEING

Vinification Full destemming  
Cold pre-fermentative  
maceration  
Fermentation at up to 30°C  
Maceration at 30°C post-  
fermentation  
MLF in barrels

Ageing 18 months in oak barrels (30%  
new wood)

We use a traditional vinification process. The harvested grapes are destemmed beforehand, to preserve all the elegant properties of the wine. The extraction process is gentle and long, in order to obtain silky tannins. As it is stored in barrels before malolactic fermentation, the wine gradually blends with the wood. Regular oxidation throughout the ageing process, determined according to the tasting, enables the fruit to express itself beautifully.

## VITICULTURE

Grape variety	Syrah
Plantation year	1981
Pruning	Cordon de Royat
Yield	40 hl/ha
Harvests	Harvested by hand when fully ripe; sorted on the vine if necessary

Viticulture on the estate is treated with the utmost importance. Each operation is carried out after first observing the needs of the parcel and in accordance with the characteristics of the vintage. Every parcel is therefore cared for precisely as required. The majority of the work is done by hand, although machines may sometimes be used to reduce the need for manpower.

The goal of every operation is to obtain healthy and ripe grapes that fully represent their terroir. Therefore, we pay close attention to the yield, foliage and aeration of the bunches, etc.

## TASTING

This is a highly elegant Syrah with fresh fruity notes that develop into notes of spices, cocoa and slightly smoky dried leaves. The true core of this wine is its freshness, which is enhanced by notes of pear and spices. The tannins are soft and persistent, creating a wine that is very noble indeed. Juicy grilled Black Angus steak with vine shoots.

ONE FAMILY, FOUR ESTATES