

Famille  
**PIERRE GAILLARD**

VITICULTEURS À MALLEVAL ET AUTRES PENTES


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**Cornas**  
A.O.C CORNAS

 STRUCTURED, POWERFUL,  
DE GARDE

 SYRAH

 GRANITE

 TO BE ENJOYED  
WITHIN 10 YEARS



## TERROIR

Commune	Cornas
Soil	Highly weathered granite
Surface area	1.5 ha
Orientation	South and east
Topography	Foot of hills
Density	10,000 plants/ha

Our Cornas parcel is located at the bottom of a hillside, on highly decomposed granite. The soil is therefore very deep and the vines are healthy, allowing this appellation to provide a well-rounded tannin structure. The climate is continental with Mediterranean influences.

## 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. At the end of the ageing process, the best barrels are selected to achieve a perfect balance between the power and subtlety of the terroir.

## VITICULTURE

Grape variety	Syrah
Age of vines	Over 70 years old
Pruning	Gobelet trained on stakes
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 plot 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 powerful and elegant Syrah is both rich and smooth, with elegant and velvety tannins. Grilled saddle of hare with pepper, cocoa nibs and a jus. Served with grilled salsifis.

ONE FAMILY, FOUR ESTATES