

FAMILY WINE MERCHANTS SINCE 1906

## Gigondas 'Racines' 2020, Domaine Les Pallières

 Price
 £32.50

 Code
 PALL135

A wine of great complexity, it is produced from old vines (70 - 100) years old) around the Domaine house. The grapes are handpicked and partially destemmed before fermentation in concrete and oak tanks.

## **Tasting Notes:**

Dark and deep in the glass, much darker than the Terrasse. The nose is immediate, full and brooding with a powerful kick of concentrated black fruits, roasted coffee and a baked earth quality that seems almost feral and animalistic. The palate is powerful, robust and grips well, the fruit is concentrated, almost jammy, but overlaid with savoury notes of Crème de Mure, black olive, cracked pepper, wild herbs and liquorice. The flavour profile is like an assault, broodingly rich, dark and full, with sinew and muscle overlaid across the extremely ripe fruit. The tannins are big, rounded and plush yet in balance with the concentrated fruit and freshness, giving the impression of power and elegance in perfect balance. A wine of great complexity.





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