



HOUSE OF TOWNEND

FAMILY WINE MERCHANTS SINCE 1906

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## Gigondas 'Terrasse du Diable' 2022, Domaine Les Pallières

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**Price** £36.99  
**Code** PALL155

The grapes are grown on terraces in the most northerly reaches of the appellation, in the lieux-dits of Poncet, Thomas, Les Pallières and Terrasse du Diable, at an altitude of 250-400 metres. Most are small, isolated plots surrounded by woodland. A warm, integrated and generous wine, a stony streak of minerality and a lick of freshness provide added dimension.

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### Tasting Notes:

What an attractive and forward bouquet, a stony fragrance, deep and opulent, displaying a black cherry perfume. The palate continues in the same vein, a core of rich, ripe red fruits, myrtle, anise, black cherry liqueur that is struck through with liquorice and garrigue. The texture of the wine is ripe, and deliciously complex, with a wonderful freshness that just enlivens the wine. The tannins are tightly knit into the structure of the wine, not overly dominant, and the finish is long and intense.

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Specification	
<b>Vinification</b>	The grapes are grown on the higher altitude terraced vineyards, handpicked and partially destemmed, before fermentation in concrete and oak tanks. After a period of ten months ageing in concrete vats, the wine is aged in large oak foudres for a period of ten months. It is then bottled without filtration.
<b>ABV</b>	15%
<b>Size</b>	75cl
<b>Drinking Window</b>	Drink from 2028
<b>Country</b>	France
<b>Region</b>	Rhône Valley
<b>Area</b>	Gigondas
<b>Type</b>	Red Wine
<b>Grape Mix</b>	90% Grenache, 5% Mourvèdre, 5% Clairette
<b>Genres</b>	Fine Wine
<b>Vintage</b>	2022
<b>Body</b>	Hearty, rustic and full flavoured
<b>Producer</b>	Domaine Les Pallières
<b>Producer Overview</b>	Perhaps the finest estate in Gigondas and certainly one of the finest estates in the Southern Rhône. 25 hectares of vines, with an average age of 65-70 years, sitting in its own elevated hidden bowl, facing north west and surrounded by 100 hectares of wild garrigue.
<b>Closure Type</b>	Cork
<b>Food Matches</b>	Delicious with grilled sirloin with pepper sauce, great cheese and hearty vegetarian dishes.