

GRAND BOURJASSOT GIGONDAS CUVÉE CÉCILE

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Grand Bourjassot is one of Gigondas' smaller family domaines, consisting of 10 acres and run by the family's second generation in the form of daughter Cécile and her husband Jean-Yves Perez, both enologists working organically.

<u>VINEYARD</u>

Site: On Gigondas' great, acclaimed slope: two old-vine limestone

parcels upslope near the village and two heavier alluvial parcels

downslope approaching the Plan de Dieu.

Soil: A mix of limestone, which gives the wine of Gigondas its

underlying mineral lift, and alluvial soils.

Vines: The domaine's 10 acres of vines are 65+ years old. Farmed

organically but not certified and hand-harvested.

Varieties: 70% Grenache, 22% Syrah and 8% Mourvèdre.

<u>CELLAR</u>

Élevage: Indigenous yeast fermentations using whole clusters. This wine

is a selection of the best vats following fermentation and is raised entirely in barrel (20% new) for 8-10 months. Cécile's

father started this cuvée when she was a baby.

Bottling: No fining, only a light filtration.

Production: 350 cases.

Profile: Gigondas' inherent lift and mineral edginess underlying a

potpourri of spicy ripe fruit. Ripe tannins combined with

aromatic freshness. A surprisingly age-worthy wine.