

Domaine Pierre-Jean Villa

Saint Joseph



Saint-Joseph “Préface” 2023

Gourmand and well crafted, the 2023 Saint-Joseph opens with a lively bouquet of dark berries, dark cherries, flowers and spices. Medium- to full-bodied, juicy and enveloping, it's well-balanced, framed by velvety tannins and concluding with a long, perfumed and penetrating finish.

92 pts- Yohan Castaing, The Wine Advocate, July 2026

The 2023 Saint-Joseph “Préface” from Pierre-Jean Villa hails from vineyard parcels in the northern part of the appellation. Typically, Pierre-Jean will retain about a third of whole clusters for this bottling, targeting his parcels planted to old vine Sérine. It is raised for just over a year in older oak, in a mix of Burgundy casks and demi-muids. The wine tips the scales at an even thirteen percent alcohol and reveals a superb aromatic constellation of cassis, coffee bean, pepper, grilled meats, woodsmoke, granitic soil tones and a lovely touch of whole clusters in the upper register. On the palate the wine is deep, complex and full-bodied, with superb depth of fruit at the core, excellent soil signature and grip, ripe, buried tannins and impeccable balance on the long and very promising finish. This is a properly structured young Saint-Joseph and will demand some cellaring time before it starts to drink with generosity, but it is going to be a superb example for many decades. 2033-2075+.

93+ pts- John Gilman, View from the Cellar, September-October 2025