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DOMAINE LES BUGADELLES, IGP OC LA CLAPE 2014 IGP Pays d'Oc, Languedoc-Roussillon

Maison Albert, Domaine les Bugadelles, Languedoc, France

Vintages # 493536 | 14.3 % alc./vol. | \$29.95 | Release: 18-Aug-2018







"This pours an inky, impenetrable black colour, with an intense magenta rim. The deeply fruited nose shows loganberry, sloe, crushed slate, exotic North African spice and wellworn leather. The juicy core on the palate shows delicious development, with intense notes of cinnamon stick and black currant. The long finish is redolent with ripe blackberry, liquorice, sweet spice, fig and incense. Exotic, mesmerizing and moreish, few won't love this wine. It's drinking beautifully now and should develop well through 2020." Score - 93p (Wine Enthusiast, 2016)

Terroir:

The Domain is located in the South of France, in the La Clape uplands in the heart of Languedoc, between Narbonne and the Mediterranean. The soils are mainly limestone with some sandstone, red clay and shale. Mediterranean climate with strong sea influence.





Vinification:

Traditional, cold fermentation. In vats for 21 days. Aged in oak barrels during 12 months.

Variety: Grenache 50%, Syrah 50%

Residual Sugar: 4 g/L



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Serving suggestion and food pairing: Serve at 16°C. Its red fruits aromas with smoked notes, round well balanced palate with elegant and fine tannins, make it the ideal companion to grilled red meats and game.



Wine Enthusiast '16 93p Wine Align, David Lawrason'18 92p Wine Align, John Szabo'18 Vintage Assessments'17 91p Outstanding&Bst Buy Wine Align, Michael Godel & Sara d'Amato' 17 90p



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David Lawrason'18	From the emerging superstar region of La Clape, this is an organically grown grenache/syrah blend. It has a very fetching, fragrant and spicy fragrance with lifted cran-raspberry, peony, black pepper and vanilla notes. Lovely aromatics. It is medium weight, fresh if a touch sweet, with some heat. But very engaging, fresh and drinkable, with excellent length. Re-tasted August 2018. Score - 92 points, www.winealign.com
John Szabo'18	An ambitious, structured, earthy, scorched earth, very syrah-driven wine, with high flavour intensity and excellent length. This is serious stuff, and quite fairly priced I might add, considering the depth and complexity on offer. Drink or hold into the mid-twenties. Tasted August 2018. Value Rating: ***. Score - 91 points, www.winealign.com
Michael Godel'17	Les Bugadelles (which in Occitan loosely translates to 'bugado,' meaning laundry) is a wild-eyed, layered beast of a beautiful Midi red. Don't be fooled by the inocuous IGP designation, there is some serious syrah and grenache stuffing in here. Excessively modern, hematic and bursting with controlled energy, the kinship idea to dark red fruit IGT from Tuscany could certainly be explored. The finish is seriously long. Big bold BBQ red. Drink 2018-2022. Tasted May 2017. Score - 90 points, www.winealign.com
Sara d'Amato'17	Organically grown syrah and grenache in the region of La Clape, facing the Mediterranean. This smoky, peppery, violet-tinged blend is captivating and offers great garrigue. Enigmatic, broody and full-bodied. Drinking beautifully now with much more youth than expected. Tasted June 2017. Score - 90 points, www.winealign.com