



2012 Eric et Joel Durand St Joseph les Coteaux

A Syrah Dry Red Table wine from France, St Joseph, Northern Rhone, Rhone, France

Review by Jeb Dunnuck
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Drink 2014 - 2019
Cost: \$19-\$25

Leading off the 2012s, the Saint Joseph les Coteaux is a solid value that offers classic saddle leather, ground herbs, pepper and sweet blackberry and raspberry fruit. It's medium-bodied, supple and elegant, with plenty of fruit. Drink it over the coming 4-5 years. Another brilliantly run estate in the Northern Rhône, Eric and Joel Durand have made rich, concentrated and textured 2012s that show the vintage nicely. These should drink nicely on release yet evolve gracefully. Their 2013s follow suit, with their top cuvee, the Cornas Confidence, being the only wine that will really require cellaring to become approachable. The style here is quasi-modern, with plenty of destemming and moderate new oak, but the wines all hold onto plenty of Cornas character. They're highly recommended. Importer(s): Fruit of the Vines Inc, 161 w 54th St #203, New York, NY 10019, (212) 765-2970 Paul M. Young Fine Wines, Los Angeles, CA, (213) 232-5199

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In the same ballpark, the 2012 Saint Joseph Les Coteaux dishes out loads of spice-box, ground pepper, underbrush, raw steak and assorted black fruits that flow to a medium to full-bodied, layered and beautifully textured mouth feel. Fine tannins emerge on the finish, yet this is up-front and pleasure bent, suggesting it will drink well on release, as well as evolve gracefully. The brothers Eric and Joel Durand, who started working with their father in 1988, have excelled in both 2011 and 2012. Importer: A Terrisson Wines Selection, imported by Fruit of the Vines, Long Island City, NY; tel. (718) 392-5640 Importer(s): Fruit of the Vines Inc, 161 w 54th St #203, New York, NY 10019, (212) 765-2970 Paul M. Young Fine Wines, Los Angeles, CA, (213) 232-5199
