

vinous**90** pts**Domaine Durand 2012 Cornas Prémices****Cornas, Northern Rhône****Red wine from France****Drinking window: 2018 - 2023**

Deep ruby. Mineral- and spice-accented aromas of dark berries and violet on the perfumed nose. At once fleshy and lithe, offering juicy black raspberry and bitter cherry flavors, with a building hint of smokiness. Turns spicier on the nicely persistent finish, which features supple tannins and lingering smoke and floral nuances.

Josh Reynolds. Tasting date: February 2016

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With the exception of the Confidence bottling, the Durand brothers' wines are very accessible soon after release, but I've found them deceptively ageworthy as well. The Durands own just over 20 hectares of vines in Cornas and Saint-Joseph and make wines in a fruit-driven style, with some whole clusters, depending on the vintage, and judicious use of new oak.

Grape/Blend

Syrah

Release price

Not Available