

## E. Guigal Côte-Rôtie 2017

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This reference point estate was created in 1946 by Etienne Guigal and has been one of the world's greatest wine estates for over seven decades now. Today, it's Etienne's son, Marcel Guigal, and his son Philippe, who continue to keep Domaine Guigal at the leading edge of the appellation. As I've written in the past, one of my highlights tasting each year is with this team, which now also includes Jacques Desvernois, who was previously at Paul Jaboulet Aîné. As normal, due to the long élevage of most cuvées, we taste through four vintages of each of the main releases. The top Côte Rôties see (and have always seen) a full four years in new French oak. While a lot is said about the extended élevage in new oak, I don't know anyone who tastes mature examples of these wines regularly who has any doubts about the genius here. In short, these single vineyard Côte Rôties are some of the greatest wines money can buy. **Jeb Dunnuck**

### 2017 Guigal Côte Rôtie La-La's Parcel

**£3,990 IB per Parcel** – 5 parcels available

*Each parcel contains a case (6 bts per case) of each of the wines below.*

#### 2017 Côte Rôtie, La Landonne

A ripe, sexy nose of smoked game, truffle earth, chocolate, and jammy black and blue fruits emerge from the 2017 Côte Rôtie La Landonne. Made from 100% Syrah from the schist soils of the La Landonne lieu-dit, aged four years in oak, this massive, full-bodied 2017 shows the sexier, riper style of the vintage, yet it has incredible tannins, a deep, layered mid-palate, and nothing out of place. It will be interesting to see if it hits the heights of past great vintages, such as 2015, 2010, 2009, 2005, or 2003, but it's certainly in the same ballpark.

**97-100 Points, Jeb Dunnuck**

#### 2017 Côte Rôtie, La Turquie

I loved the 2017 Côte Rôtie La Turquie, which shows the sunny warmth of the vintage while staying balanced, pure, and light on its feet. Awesome notes of ripe black fruits, chocolate, spice box, and incense emerge from the glass and it's full-bodied, has building tannins, a weightless texture, and a monster of a finish. This quintessential La Turquie will deliver plenty of charm in its youth, yet benefit from 4-6 years of bottle age, and age for 30-35 years as well.

**97-100 Points, Jeb Dunnuck**

#### 2017 Côte Rôtie, La Mouline

The 2017 Côte Rôtie La Mouline is more upfront and expressive, which is certainly in the style of this terrific vintage. Loads of spiced meats, chocolate, spring flowers, and assorted red and black fruits all soar from the glass. With full-bodied richness, incredibly complexity and nuance, building tannins, and just loads of upfront sex appeal, it's going to benefit from 4-5 years of bottle age and cruise for 30 years or more.

**97-99 Points, Jeb Dunnuck**

### **Also available:**

#### 2017 Guigal Côte Rôtie La-La's Collectors Case

**£675 c/s IB** – 5 cases available

*Each case contains a bottle of each of the 3 La La's.*

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