

GABRIEL MEFFRE

Saint Joseph "Saint Etienne"

2019

"“In the same ballpark as the 2018, the 2019 Saint Joseph Saint Etienne is beautiful, offering lots of red and black berry fruits, spring flowers, and spicy, peppery aromatics, medium to full body, polished tannins, and a great texture. Count me impressed. I suspect both the 2018 and 2019 will be the best versions of this cuvée to date.” Jeb Dunnuck – 19 Nov. 2020"



Vintage

In the northern Rhône Valley, the clippers came out around the 20th of September. Following a rather warm start to the spring, temperatures dropped and remained below seasonal averages until the beginning of summer. The vines then faced high temperatures in July and August. Thankfully, rain arrived at the beginning of the harvests, ensuring both quantity and quality for all of our appellations.

Grape varieties

100% Syrah

Terroir

The St Joseph appellation is over 50 km long, with steep, terraced vineyards stretching along the right bank of the Rhône River, between Condrieu in the north and St Peray in the south. St Joseph is produced almost entirely from the Syrah grape, grown in light soils of schist and gneiss on granitic bedrock.

Winemaking

Carefully sorted upon arrival at the winery, the grapes are then lightly crushed and destemmed. Alcoholic fermentation lasted about 3 weeks followed by a racking and the malolactic fermention. Matured in vats for 6 months prior to bottling.
Vegan Wine

Service & food pairing suggestions

This Saint-Joseph pairs nicely with grilled or roasted meats (rib of beef), or pigeon with peas.
Enjoy now or up to 7/8 years of age.

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L'abus d'alcool est dangereux pour la santé, à consommer avec modération. Déconseillé aux femmes enceintes.