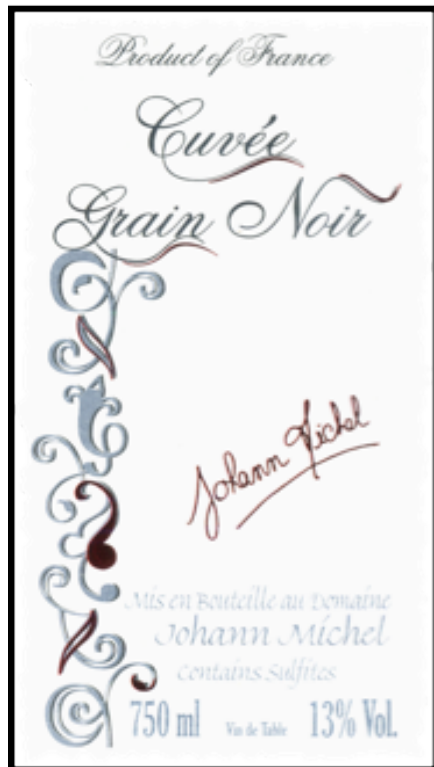


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Johann Michel



Rating: 89+

2012 Cuvée Grain Noir- Johann Michel

Cuvée Grain Noir from Johann Michel is the name of the wine made from Monsieur Michel's young Syrah vines in his Cornas vineyards. The wine is raised entirely in stainless steel tanks and the 2012 comes in at a cool 13.5 percent alcohol and is excellent. The bouquet is deep, complex and vibrant, offering up scents of cassis, black raspberries, a bit of pepper, dark soil tones, some meatiness and a topnote of woodsmoke. On the palate the wine is deep, full-bodied and moderately chewy, with surprising depth and stuffing for a young vine cuvée, with fine focus and balance and a long, moderately tannic finish. This is good juice and an excellent value! 2013-2020+. **89+**.



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