



DOMAINE JEAN-LOUIS CHAVE  
MAUVES EN ARDÈCHE - FRANCE

## PROFILE

The Chave family is based in a small village on the northern right bank of the Rhone. There have been Chaves growing vines on the famous Hermitage hill since 1481. Gerard Chave took over from his father in 1970 and rapidly achieved megastar status due to the extraordinary quality of his wines and has since passed on the winemaking responsibilities to his son Jean-Louis. The Chave's methods for all their winemaking are traditional farming, super low yields, full ripeness, and minimal manipulation.

The Clos Florentin is a historic vineyard first planted by monks in the 15th century. It has been harvested and bottled continuously since then. Chave acquired the property in 2009.

Jeb Dunnuck awarded the 2016 vintage 95 points, saying: "The second vintage for this single vineyard, the 2016 Saint Joseph Le Clos got a big "Wow" in the notes and is a total stunner that certainly bodes well for this vineyard, which is still not all in production. Awesome notes of blackberries, kirsch, pepper, and flowery spice flow to a powerful, ripe 2016 that has fine, silky-tannins, beautiful sweetness of fruit, and no hard edges. While this wine always shows a riper, elegant style, this beauty has true density in 2016 and is a thrilling drink."



## CLOS FLORENTIN

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## SPECIFICATIONS

**Wine:** Saint-Joseph Rouge "Clos Florentin"

**Varietals:** Syrah

**Appellation:** Saint-Joseph AOC

**Soil:** Granite

**Area:** 2.8 ha

**Vineyard Age:** 80 years

**Exposure:** South

**Yield:** 32 hl

**Quantity Produced:** 3000 bottles

**Harvest:** Manual

**Pruning:** Goblet

**Agricultural Method:** Organic and biodynamic

**Vinification:** Natural yeasts. Fermented and matured entirely in stainless steel tanks. Bottled two years after harvest with no fining and no filtration.

**Food Pairings:** Lamb or duck

**Alcohol:** 13.5%

**Residual Sugar:** > 2 g/l



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