

JULIEN CECILLON VDF VIOGNIER 'INVICTUS'



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Invictus comes from an acre parcel in Ardoix (Les Turcs), a rugged landscape deep in the hills of the Ardèche, and an acre parcel in Tournon (Le Gât), which survived from mudflow, droughts and more. These vines are invincible! The soil is decomposed granite (Les Turcs) and sand (Le Gât). The vines were planted in 1975 (Les Turcs) and 2013 (Le Gât). The vineyards have southern exposure at an altitude of 125-400m. The grapes are harvested by hand. Native yeast fermentation in 50% used barrels and 50% stainless steel vats with bâtonnage. Aged 15 months in the same vessels.

While the Cecillon label only recently began, Julien Cecillon's family has been making wine in Tournon for 11 generations. Acquiring small parcels by chance, opportunity & perseverance, Julien & his wife

Nancy Kerschen have worked together with tireless focus to craft wines that establish their own reputation amongst the best producers in the Northern Rhône. Though they are running the winery on their own, the couple certainly benefits from the guidance of Julien's winemaking heritage. Their small winery is located near Tournon, in the historic center of the Rhône Valley. All of the wines at the domaine are produced with native yeasts & aged primarily in used barrels to create harmonious, balanced wines that highlight the unique terroirs of the Northern Rhône.

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Tasting Note:

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