

# FONCALIEU SAINT MARC RESERVE SYRAH 2020/\$10.99



## DESCRIPTION

Vignobles Foncalieu is a union of 801 winegrowers in the heart of the Languedoc region. United by the values of cooperation since their creation, our winegrowers are also united by their desire to sublimate their terroirs. Every day, they strive to make bold, authentic wines with sustainability at their core! The Celliers du Nouveau Monde winery in Puichéric, the Vignerons de la Cité de Carcassonne, the Vignerons du Pays d'Ensérune near Béziers and the La Redorte & Castelnaud d'Aude winery are all part of the group.

Men and women who, thanks to their sensitivity and human qualities, have been building Les Vignobles Foncalieu since 1967 and revealing their winegrowing souls.

“Protecting our terroirs and their biodiversity is a major challenge, and changing our practices is a priority. Remaining at the forefront of innovation in the vineyard is essential to the sustainability of our business. “Gabriel Ruetsch, Head Agronomist, Les Vignobles Foncalieu. We have been committed to sustainable viticulture since 2008. 65% of the vineyard is now HVE (High Environmental Value) level 3 certified.

How? By protecting biodiversity, reducing inputs to aim for zero pesticide residues in wines, and rational management of fertilization and irrigation,” sums up Gabriel Ruetsch. 88% of our acreage holds agri-environmental certification: HVE, BIO, Terra Vitis. Most of our vintages are Eve Vegan. Over 50% of vineyards use sexual confusion to limit inputs.

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Saint Marc Reserve Syrah is a selection of the best Syrah from the vineyards in the Languedoc with half of the harvest vinified using extended carbonic macerations to preserve

maximum varietal flavor. The balance is then vinified traditionally to insure adequate structure. The wines are bottled in spring without oak ageing.

## Tasting Notes

### Nose:

A dark, purple red color with distinctive, delicious black pepper and raspberry aromas.

### Palate:

Full and fresh on the palate with plenty of suppleness.

### Pairing:

Saint Marc Reserve Syrah is perfect for full flavored stews, game and grilled beef.

It also pairs exceptionally well with chicken and pork due to its peppery flavor, as well as nicely complements all cheeses.

