

### Gayda, Chemin de Moscou 2014 IGP Pays d'Oc

60% Syrah, 35% Grenache, 5% Cinsault. Name taken from a path near the winery but the fruit comes from far and wide (hence the wide appellation, presumably). I have notes only on the preceding vintage when the Syrah came from several Roussillon sites, La Livinière and round the winery; the Grenache from Tautavel and La Livinière; and the Cinsault from La Livinière. The wine was aged for 21 months in oak, some of it (for Syrah) new.

Deep crimson. Rich and refined. Not overdone and very appetising. A hint of salt and treacle. Very suave and polished. Quite rich but very appetising too. Good to see this important wine evolving with the times.

Good freshness. 14%

Drink 2017-2021

£24.50 RRP

### Gayda, Figure Libre Freestyle 2015 IGP Pays d'Oc

16.5

Certified organic grapes from Roussillon: 50% Grenache Blanc and Gris, 25% Maccabeu, 15% Marsanne, 10% Roussanne. Masses of information given showing where the fruit comes from, total sulphur and very low residual sugar.

Pale honey colour – darker than I would have expected but this is not a criticism. Really interesting, unusual aromas of citrus peel and beeswax. Very much a Roussillon not a Languedoc white. Seems rather a shame that its appellation is the same as so many very ordinary wines. Long with light bitterness. Some tension, medium body and real structure. Not quite as refined and creamy as my favourite Roussillon whites but it's pretty **GV**. 13.5%

Drink 2016-2018

£15.35 RRP

### Gayda, Figure Libre Freestyle 2015 IGP Pays d'Oc

16.5

Hand picked. 40% Syrah from La Livinière, Corbières and Roussillon; 40% Grenache Noir from the same sources; 10% Carignan from La Livinière and Corbières; and 10% Mourvèdre from La Livinière. Aged in used barriques for nine months.

Bright, dense crimson. Very savoury and appetising. Lovely blend with nothing out of place. Mouth-filling and juicy with just a hint of the smoothness and mineral quality of ink. Almost tastes as though there were a drop of Cabernet Franc in here. Lovely current drinking. **GV** 14%

Drink 2016-2019

£15.35 RRP