

## 2016 Eric Et Joel Durand Saint Joseph Les Coteaux

As to the 2016s from bottle, the 2016 Saint Joseph Les Coteaux is fresh and up-front, with a juicy, ready-to-go style in its violets, pepper, and blue-tinged fruits. With considerable charm, good freshness, and a silky texture, it's a terrific example of the 2016 vintage to drink over the coming 5-7 years.

*Consistently brilliant wines emerge from Domaine Durand, which is run with incredible talent and passion by Eric and Joël Durand. Located in the tiny village of Châteaubourg, they pull from roughly 22 hectares of vines, 8.5 hectares in Saint Joseph, 9.5 hectares in Cornas and tiny amounts in Saint-Péray and Vin de Pays. The brothers took over the estate in 1991, and while the winemaking is relatively modern, these are classic, pure, beautifully made wines that speak clearly to their region and terroir.*

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