

vinous**91** pts**Domaine Durand 2012 Cornas Empreintes****Cornas, Northern Rhône****Red wine from France****Drinking window: 2019 - 2025**

Saturated ruby. Ripe blackberry, cherry cola, candied violet and woodsmoke aromas show very good clarity and depth. Fleshy, palate-coating black and blue fruit flavors pick up smoke, olive and floral pastille qualities with air, along with a hint of black pepper. Finishes smooth, sweet and long; chewy tannins add grip to the wine's lush finishing dark fruit.

Josh Reynolds. Tasting date: February 2016

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Domaine Durand

With the exception of the Confidence bottling, the Durand brothers' wines are very accessible soon after release, but I've found them deceptively ageworthy as well. The Durands own just over 20 hectares of vines in Cornas and Saint-Joseph and make wines in a fruit-driven style, with some whole clusters, depending on the vintage, and judicious use of new oak.

Grape/Blend

Syrah

Release price

Not Available