



Caves D'ESCLANS
SACHA LICHINE

DÉESSE

VIN DE PAYS DU VAR 2011

Grapes are grown from some of the most choice land in the surrounding region of La Motte en Provence, consisting of Syrah and Merlot. Harvesting at sunrise to noon. Grapes are sorted by optical eye electronically and manually three times. Soft crushing. Maceration in thermo-controlled conical truncated cement vats for three to four weeks. Slow fermentation- maceration of 26 to 28 C. Six month elevage in one year and second year French oak barrels.

matthewjukes

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«I was not expecting this wine to be so polished and honed when I first tasted it. There is a touch of cherry oak overlaying the fruit but it is counterpointed by stunning blackberry richness and hedgerow notes and the whole flavour from start to finish is a joy. It is not quite as long as I would like and the tannins are a little raw, but this is a very smart, modern wine that would impress all-comers with its élan and build-quality.»

STEVEN SPURRIER

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«Striking and very attractive black cherry red, fine briary autumnal berry fruits showing the blackcurrants of the Merlot and the blackberries of the Syrah, lovely lifted fruit and elegant vigour from Provence, fresh briary tannins that are good now and will smooth out to add texture over 5 years. The 14abv doesn't show at all due to the natural fruit, a delicious yet serious wine.»

Jancis Robinson
JancisRobinson.com

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«Mainly Syrah and Merlot given kid glove treatment. Bright crimson. Very 'cool' nose with fine tannins after sweet palate entry. Obviously very carefully vinified. A tad tart and chewy on the finish. Not ready yet.» JR