

## DOMAINE LES GRANDS ROUVRES

### Juliéna Vieilles Vignes

*You can't ignore the seashell fossils that crunch underfoot as you walk through the Durdilly family vineyards, as if the ocean were just over the next gentle hill. It's this unique terroir, with its mineral complexity, that sets the family's wines apart from other more rustic bottles from the region. While our history with the Durdilly family goes back at least two decades, it's exciting to see a new generation come into its own. Guillaume Durdilly is the son of Pierre Durdilly of Domaine les Gryphées. His passion? Seeking out older-vine vineyards that have been abandoned, and then bringing them back to the greatness of which they are capable.*

**WINERY:** Domaine des Grands Rouvres

**WINEMAKERS:** Guillaume Durdilly

**ESTABLISHED:** 2014

**REGION:** FRANCE • Beaujolais • Le Bois d'Oingt

**APPELLATION:** Juliéna AOC

**BLEND:** 100% Gamay

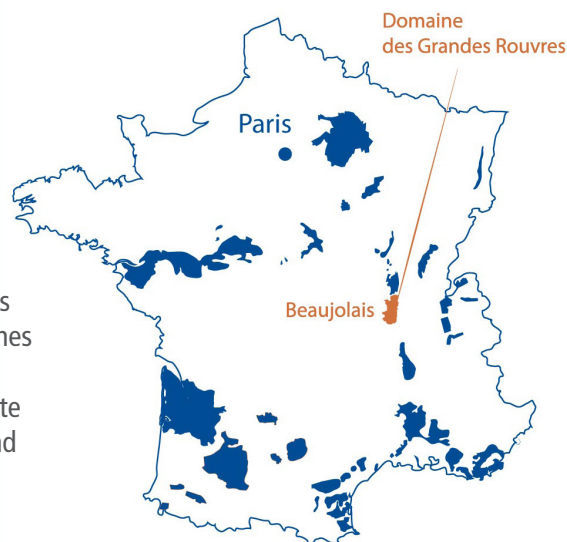
**VINEYARDS:** One of Beaujolais' most northerly cru appellations, Juliéna is also one of the region's oldest wine regions, with a history that stretches back more than 2,000 years. (The name Juliéna is derived from Julius Caesar, as vines were grown here during the Gallo-Roman period.) Estate vines are found on soils that are primarily alluvial, with lots of stones and schist; unlike other Beaujolais regions, there is little granite here.

**AGE OF VINES:** 50 years

**WINEMAKING:** Hand-harvested. Fermented on indigenous yeasts in cement tanks. Aged in very old foudre of varying sizes, from 25HL to 45HL. Bottled unfined; lightly filtered.

**TASTING IMPRESSIONS:** Aromas of red and black summer berries, purple flowers, baking spices. Medium-bodied and juicy; balanced acid

**PAIRING SUGGESTIONS:** Roasted chicken or turkey; grilled pork sausages



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