

Jeff Cohn



CELLARS

Welcome to Jeff Cohn Cellars.

Single vineyard Rhône-centric and Zinfandel wines that walk a tightrope, balancing the pure expression of California fruit with the Rhône-influenced winemaking of vintner Jeff Cohn.



Yves Cuilleron and Jeff Cohn

2016 Domaine des Chirats Syrah Rockpile Vineyard, Rockpile



Jeff began working with the Rockpile Vineyard over 18 years ago. At 2010 ft. elevation, our vineyard sites that we source from are rocky, and stressed. This gives us amazing fruit to make our Rockpile Vineyard Syrahs. With three clones of Syrah; Entav 470, Serine, and Chapoutier selections planted amongst the vineyards, we are able to reach different depths and profiles with each of our Rockpile wines. Soils from clay and loam to granite quartz provide the wines with a strong mineral component.

Chirats is an old French word for rocks. A deep purple / red color with aromas as seductive as any Rockpile Syrah I have ever made. In fact, Yves Cuilleron, with whom I do this collaboration, feels this is the greatest Rockpile that we have made so far. From the blackberry / black cherry, roasted Herbs de Provence, freshly sharpen lead pencil and cedar notes to the mineral background that is the signature of Rockpile. This is a full-bodied wine for sure, but with great tension, that delivers freshness and vibrancy to this elegant wine. The palate is focused on black and red fruits, savory notes, floral and crush rocks.

Wine Spectator

94 Pts Powerfully built, with a vibrant backbone wrapped in rich and plump huckleberry, cracked pepper and garrigue accents that build tension toward broad-shouldered tannins. Drink now through 2025.—T.F.

WINE ENTHUSIAST. 92 Pts