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# **Domaine Girard – Cuvée Neri | AOP Malepère Merlot – Cabernet Franc – Malbec France (LANGUEDOC) – 2021**

## **Domain**

### **Dom. Girard**

The domain is located in the picturesque village of Alaigne, west of Carcassonne at the foot of the Pyrenees. Wine has been made in this family domain for four generations. In 2000, Philippe and Jean-François Girard took over the domain from their parents. They expanded the vineyards to a total area of 30 hectares. These are located on the Malepère massif, influenced by both the Atlantic and the Mediterranean, making for an exceptional terroir. They work very durable and towards zero pesticides.

## **Vinification**

Complete destemming, maceration for 5 to 6 days at low temperature (8-10°), traditional fermentation in closed vats with daily pumping over, long vatting, gentle pressing with selection of juices, aging in 500-liter barrels.

## **Taste**

To the west of the west, the Girard estate is on the most oceanic side of the appellation. This Néri cuvée radiates freshness with a red plum fruit, a black currant fruit, finely earthy notes of fresh humus, spiced with green pepper and zan. The palate is full and fleshy, with a beautiful tannic structure, present and finely woven.

## **Food pairing**

Game | Spiced dishes | Lamb - Steak

## **General information**

Type: Red wine

Grape varieties: Merlot (50%), Cabernet Franc (40%), Malbec (10%)

Viticulture: Traditional

Storage (years): + 7-10

Serving temperature: 16-18 °C

Taste profile: Smooth juicy

