



Craft + Estate, a Member of The Winebow Group, Expands French Portfolio with Figuière

Richmond, VA—April 25, 2017—Craft + Estate, a member of The Winebow Group, is pleased to announce that it is the exclusive U.S. importer of Figuière, a 210-acre Provençal estate owned by the Combard family and organically farmed in the Côtes-de-Provence La Londe AOP.

“This innovative estate adds further depth to our fine wine French portfolio,” said Liz Mathews, Senior Vice President of Craft + Estate. “Figuière’s commitment to growing and sourcing quality grapes, as well as their focus on expressing a unique schist soil terroir, has made the estate a natural fit for Craft + Estate.”

The Combard family’s winegrowing story began in Burgundy in the 1970s when Alain Combard joined his friend and partner Michel Laroche in developing Domaine Laroche of Chablis. After two decades of experience in Burgundy, Combard began to search for a new endeavor closer to his Southern French roots. In 1992, Combard settled on the Saint-André de Figuière estate which sits within two miles of the Mediterranean Sea and has been farmed organically since 1979. Over time, Combard expanded his ownings to the current size of 210 acres of vineyard certified organic by ECOCERT.

Initially, Combard focused on Rolle (Vermentino) as very few wineries in the 1990s were bottling rosé. With cool sea breezes and schist soils, the ex-Chablisien employed his experience in Burgundy to produce fine, structured whites, full of mineral expression. Today, the second generation of the Combard family carries on their father’s pioneering spirit, applying the same knowledge to a multi-tiered range of whites, rosés and reds. With Magali and Delphine managing the business and François as the winemaker, the estate has recently been renamed Figuière to reflect the new generation at the helm.

Craft + Estate will import eleven wines from Figuière: from the Le Saint André range, a white, rosé and red; from the Signature Series, Valérie White, Magali Rosé, François Red; from the estate range, Première White, Première Rosé and Première Red; from the estate flagship range, Confidentielle Rosé; and from the Vin de France range, Atmosphère Sparkling Rosé.

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About Craft + Estate

Craft + Estate offers a portfolio of fine wines, craft spirits and artisanal sake that is guided by the belief that quality is the result of passion, talent and terroir. Representing centuries-old producers, modern visionaries and a growing international community of artful distillers, Craft + Estate invites discovery and guarantees a memorable experience. For more information, please visit www.craftandestate.com