

CHASSAGNE-MONTRACHET

Premier Cru Les Vergers





## About the vintage:

The 2018 vintage was full of richness, marked by the great maturity of the grapes with great ageing potential. Thanks to the rain at the end of August, the vines gave both abundant and very good quality yield. The white grapes were ripe, rich and powerful. Tasted a few months after the bottling, the wines tend to settle down, keeping the richness of the fruit, and developing a slight toasted and mineral reduction notes, typical of great Chardonnays. The Pinots Noirs were very ripe, with a dark ruby color and a strong tannic structure: on some vintages they sometimes take on southern accents!

## TERROIR

The origin of this climate dates back to the last century when fruit trees were planted in this area. Typical white wine lands, gently sloping, gravelly, stony, the plots are facing northeast and located above the "Chenevottes". Rooted in the stone of Chassagne, the top of the soil is deep and the rock peeps out in some places. The soil is quite rich in minerals and made up of white limestone marls. The vines are planted in the 1960s and 1970s and half is being replanted.

### VITICULTURAL PRACTICES

The grapes are grown biodynamically. At spring, we stimulate the microbial activity of the soil with a very energizing preparations such as the 500: horn manure and the 500 P: prepared horn manure. During the vegetative cycle, in addition to the copper sulfate treatment in the vineyards, we also spray decoctions of horsetail, nettle, wicker and silica that have an energizing and disease prevention power for the vines. Natural grassing between the vines, and mechanical work of the soil. The vines are trained in single guyot, keeping one long cane and one spur per vine, one budding every two eyes, in order to obtain well ventilated and beautiful grapes.

# VINIFICATION

Grapes harvested by hand in crates, sorted on a sorting table if necessary and conveyed directly to the pneumatic press. Pressing of whole grapes for two and a half hour. The juice from stainless steel vats settles at 12 degrees overnight. Then the must is directly transferred to barrels to achieve alcoholic fermentation (traditional Burgundy vinification).

# **AGEING**

18 months ageing on lees, including 12 months in oak barrels (Burgundy 228L barrels and 1HL barrels).





WINE ENTHUSIAST

Roger Voss (2018)

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2011		2015	
BETTANE & DESSEAUVE 2014	17/20	<b>BETTANE &amp; DESSEAUVE</b> Printemps 2018	17/20
2012		BURGHOUND.COM Allen Meadows (2017)	90pts
BETTANE & DESSEAUVE 2015	17/20	WINE ENTHUSIAST 2018	94pts
2013		2017	
BETTANE & DESSEAUVE 2016	17,5/20	BETTANE & DESSEAUVE 2020	17,5/20
BURGHOUND.COM Allen Meadows (2015)	88/91pts	BURGHOUND.COM 2019	90pts
<b>ROBERT PARKER</b> Neil Martin (2014)	88/90pts	WINE ENTHUSIAST 2020	92pts
2014		2018	
BETTANE & DESSEAUVE 2017	16/20	WINE ENTHUSIAST 2021	93pts
BURGHOUND.COM Allen Meadows (2016)	90/92pts	2019	
JANCIS ROBINSON 2017	17+	LA REVUE DU VIN DE FRANCE 2021	94/100
ROBERT PARKER Neil Martin (2015)	89/91pts	(F)	

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