

CHASSAGNE-MONTRACHET

Premier Cru Clos Saint Jean





About the vintage:

A great classic, born of a peculiar year

This vintage 2020, produced in relatively complicated conditions and context for all, was marked by a historical precocity, from the bud to the harvest. The result is absolutely exceptional and remarkably classic! The early flowering season gave rise to hope for an abundant harvest, but the high temperatures of the summer, coupled with the lack of precipitation, caused a significant water deficit. The maturities sometimes arrived on their own timing, just like the flowering season: choosing the date of the harvest required cold blood as well as patience! The peculiar conditions of this vintage have generated new and quite unique balances. The white wines are fruity and express a nice aromatic complexity, with very nice acidities. The red wines stand out for their incredible color! They are concentrated and have character while keeping a nice freshness that offer gourmet profiles with a focus on black fruits.

TERROIR

The plot is located in the center of the village, this "climat" is one of the oldest of Chassagne. This terroir has smooth slopes, south-east facing sun exposure with a very reddish soil (from iron oxyde), the soil is light, shallow with little stones, on the Chassagne stones that peep out. The soil is easily worked, the rocks are rather crumbly. The majority of the vines were planted in the 1940s.

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).





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93pts

2012		2015
BETTANE & DESSEAUVE 2015	15,5/20	BETTANE & DESSEAUVE 16,5/20 2017
2013		WINE ENTHUSIAST 93pts
BURGHOUND.COM 2015	88/91pts	2018
		2017
ROBERT PARKER 2014	88/90pts	BETTANE & DESSEAUVE 17/20 2020
2014		WINE ENTHUSIAST 92pts
BETTANE & DESSEAUVE 2017	15,5/20	2020
		BURGHOUND.COM 88/91pts
BURGHOUND.COM 2016	88/92pts	2019
		2018
JANCIS ROBINSON 2017	17,5pts	WINE ENTHUSIAST 93pts 2021 EDITORS' CHOICE
ROBERT PARKER 2015	87/89pts	2019
WINE ENTHUSIAST 2018	93pts	LA REVUE DU VIN DE FRANCE 92+/100 2021
		GUIDE DES MEILLEURS VINS DE FRANCE 2022 La Revue du Vin de France
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