

Chablis Montée de Tonnerre 2012

Premier Cru

Grape Variety :
Chardonnay

Vineyard

Site: "Montée de Tonnerre" is located south-east of the Grand Cru area.

History & tradition: in the sixties, when the Chablis vineyards were all but abandoned, Robert Drouhin recognized the potential of this region which had been ravaged by the phylloxera disease a century before. He was one of the first Burgundy owners who set about revitalizing the area.

Soil: the Kimmeridgian limestone contains millions of tiny marine fossils embedded in a kind of whitish mortar which may have been once the bottom of the sea...hundreds of million years ago. This marine origin gives the wines of Chablis their unique flavour.

Viticulture

Plantation density: 6 250 stocks/ha.

Pruning: double Guyot "Vallée de la Marne" (for its resistance to frost).

Yield: we aim for a lower yield in order to extract all possible nuances from the terroir.

Vinification

Supply: grapes and musts purchased from supply partners.

Very slow pressing so as to respect fruit.

Ageing

Type: stainless steel tank

Length: 7-8 months

Throughout the ageing process, decisions are taken only after careful tasting evaluation. The data obtained is completed through technical analysis. As with every other Joseph Drouhin wine, absolute priority is given to the true expression of terroir and character of the vintage.

Tasting note by Véronique Boss-Drouhin

"Powerful and mineral wine, typical of Chablis. Brilliant yellow colour. The aromas are reminiscent of citrus as well as asparagus or artichoke. Clear-cut impression on the palate. Elegant and complex flavours. Nice balance between texture, fruitiness and mineral sensations".

Vintage

Good evolution. They still show a nice balance. The aromas are now mingling with briny flavours and notes of white honey.

Serving

Temperature: 13°C (53°F).

Cellaring: 3 to 8 years.

DOMAINE DROUHIN VAUDON

The Moulin de Vaudon, the property of Joseph Drouhin, is an 18th Century watermill straddling the Serein River, close to the Grand Cru vineyards of Chablis. Flowing gently past hillsides covered with vineyards, the river has always been closely identified with Chablis and its region. Because of its unique location at the heart of their 38 hectare vineyard estate (95 acres), this historical mill is the headquarters of the Drouhin Domaine in Chablis.





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Joseph Drouhin, a precursor and pioneer in this great wine region for 40 years, will strengthen the identity of their prestigious Chablis Domaine. With this in mind, and starting with the vintage 2008, the name "Vaudon" will be associated with Joseph Drouhin for all its Chablis wines as a sign of the firm's allegiance to this historical terroir.