



# DOMAINE DE LA CHARMOISE "PREMIÈRE VENDANGE" TOURAINES GAMAY 2015



Henry Marionnet it's a certain idea of happiness in a bottle, the talent of making wine accessible to everyone from the beginner to the expert. His entry wines have already a lot to say and outrun most of its peer, but his special cuvees are just remarkable. Rigorous in the vine, harvesting all his grapes by hand he is true to the traditional way of making wine and willing to produce the wine that his ancestor, who settle in the region in the 19<sup>th</sup> century, would drink.

That's the all purpose of the "Première Vendange" or "The first harvest", wine that he produces since more than 25 years without the addition of sulfites. His secret? The cellar is a model of cleanliness and he is a workhorse. When you add sulfites only the most resistant yeasts survive. When you don't add sulfites all the species of yeast that are naturally present in the vines are doing the job, which provides more depth and a superior complexity.

## SOIL TYPE \_\_\_\_\_

Terrace of Clay and flint at the confluence of the Loire and the Cher river.

## VARIETAL \_\_\_\_\_

100 % Gamay noir à jus blanc planted mainly in 1967 from native mother vines, "Selection Massale".

## CULTURE \_\_\_\_\_

Sustainable farming. Environment friendly practices. Green harvest during summer. Grapes are harvested by hand in little crates after an accurate sorting in the vines.

## VINIFICATION \_\_\_\_\_

Whole grapes are carried by conveyor belt in thermoregulated stainless steel tank where they undergo a carbonic maceration. Not any addition of Sulfites from the vine to the bottle. This wine is **certified no-sulfites added and** by consequence exempted by FDA of the "Contain Sulfites" mention.

## TASTING NOTES \_\_\_\_\_

Generous, fresh, an explosion of juicy fruit, of fleshy cherries. Thirst-quenching but serious and with a lot of depth, without any of the "Clichés" of the natural wines sometime out of reach and non reliable. It's so deliciously addictive that you finish the bottle until the last drop

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