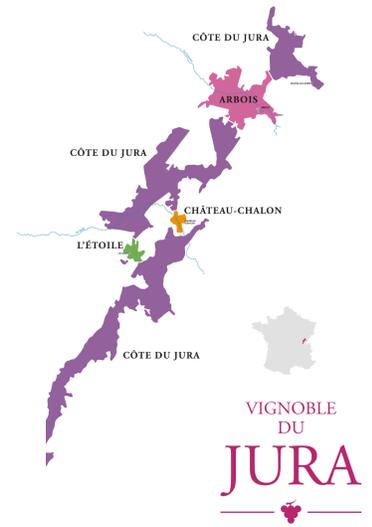




DOMAINE BENEDICTE ET STEPHANE TISSOT
CREMANT DU JURA EXTRA BRUT BLANC



The Jura is an old chain of mountains drawing a natural border between France and Switzerland. Even though just 80 miles east of the Côte de Beaune and west of the Valais, this region existed for centuries in splendid isolation. Unburdened by the ways of its neighbors, they protected their indigenous grapes and distinct vinification methods regarded as stubborn by the oenological conformists. If you are one of those people who long to escape from the shallowness and tedium of wine fashion, then the Jura is for you.

Stéphane Tissot's fascinating personality between candid kindness and an incredible obstinacy led him to become the most highly regarded of the regions' leaders. Certified organic since 1999 and biodynamic since 2004, Stéphane's estate is an example of natural practices. The Jura is part of the eight French regions using Crémant for their bubbly. Méthode Traditionnelle, hand harvesting, 1st juice after pressing and a minimum of a year of ageing "sur lattes" are the mandatory criteria to be eligible to this classification.

SOIL TYPE _____

60 % of clay of the Triassic era, 40% Limestone scree slopes

VARIETAL _____

50% Chardonnay, 40% Pinot Noir, 5% Poulsard, 5% Trousseau

CULTURE _____

Vines farmed with no use of herbicides or phytosanitary products. Use of sulfites and copper as well as plant infusions. Organic compost made at the estate. Traditional working of the soil. Manual harvesting in cases. Strict sorting on a sorting table. Certified organic Ecocert and Biodynamic Demeter.

VINIFICATION _____

Vinification in stainless steel for 60% of the wine and 40% in old French oak barrels. Ageing of the base wine 4 month on fine lees before bottling. Ageing sur lattes in bottle during 14 to 20 months. "0" dosage – Extra Brut.

TASTING NOTES _____

"This is clean and with very strong aromas of apples, hints of fennel, and aniseed with very pleasant acidity and abundant bubbles. It's very easy to drink and very pleasant with a mineral, sapid finish. This has to be one of the best Crémants from Jura and certainly a steal among sparkling wines."

-- 91+pts Luis Gutiérrez, Wine Advocate

From the same Winery :

Crémant du Jura Rosé Extra Brut
Côte du Jura Pinot Noir "En Barberon"
Arbois Poulsard Vieilles Vignes

Arbois Trousseau "Singulier"
Arbois Chardonnay "Patchwork"
Vin Jaune "En Spois"

