



DOMAINE DE LA CROIX DES VAINQUEURS, LAURENT BONNEAU
VOUVRAY BRUT N/V – MÉTHODE TRADITIONNELLE



The plateau of Vouvray, and its single soil of Limestone, is the biggest vineyard to grow Chenin Blanc as a single variety. Originated from the Loire Valley, where it has first been planted in the 9th century, this chameleon of a grape is characterized by a natural high acidity and this sensitivity to Botrytis that allow it to display many different profiles.

Labeled Vouvray, wines can be sweet, semi-dry, dry or even Sparkling (60% of the production). Of course the perception of Chenin Blanc's acidity is different from a style to another, but always guaranty the balance.

Laurent Bonneau, as a native of Vouvray, has this genuine talent to grow the Chenin at its optimum maturity while always preserving this surprising acidity, signature of the grape. After a careful harvest of his 22 acres and a gentle winemaking, he is humble enough to gradually step aside and let the Terroir speak through the grape.

SOIL TYPE _____

Clay and siliceous soil

VARIETAL _____

100 % Chenin Blanc from vines of 35 year old in average.

CULTURE _____

The vineyard had always been farmed sustainably with old vines planted in 1956. Working of the soil. Harvests by hand in small crates of 35 pounds.

VINIFICATION _____

All the conveyances are made by gravity protecting the integrity of the fruit. Slow and soft pressing in pneumatic press.

Settling at cold temperature during 48 hours. Fermentations happens in 2 years-old 600 liters French oak barrels (25% of the wine)

Before disgorgement, the wine matures in bottle "Sur lattes" during 18 month. Low dosage with less than 7 g/l of residual sugar.

TASTING NOTES _____

A ripe and mineral nose. Dry on the palate, with a very floral and exotic taste. A long zesty finish with a creamy texture. Refine and gentle bubbling.

From the same Winery :

"Le Bouchet", Vouvray Sec 2018
"Le Bouchet", Vouvray demi-sec 2017

