



DOMAINE BÉNÉDICTE ET STÉPHANE TISSOT

CRÉMANT DU JURA "BLANC DE NOIRS"



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 lead 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 _____

100% Pinot Noir - 25 years-old vines in average

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 small cases. Strict sorting on a sorting table. *Certified organic Ecocert and Biodynamic Demeter.*

VINIFICATION _____

Alcoholic fermentation of the base wine in old French oak barrels followed by 3 month of ageing on lees. In January, base wine is bottled for the "prise de mousse" or second fermentation in bottle. Ageing "Sur lattes" with lees in bottle during 13 months. Unfined, Unfiltered and contain "0" added SO2. "0" dosage - Extra Brut. Only 500 cases production.

TASTING NOTES _____

"It's a serious and powerful Pinot Noir with a clean, quite serious nose and a balanced and dry palate. I'd love to see this in a blind tasting with some wines from Champagne! It should evolve nicely in bottle."

Luis Gutiérrez, 93+ Wine Advocate

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