DOMAINE de MONTILLE



Puligny-Montrachet 1er Cru Le Cailleret

2022

Color white Grape variety chardonnay Surface area 0.85 ha Production 5 000 Share of new barrels 30% Alcohol 13%

The appellation Ideally located mid-slope, Le Cailleret is located in the northern extension of prestigious Montrachet, below Le Chevalier-Montrachet and above 1er Cru Les Pucelles. Its geographic location and the quality of its wines make it a "grand" Premier Cru. Its name "Le Cailleret" refers to the stony soil. In 1993, we acquired a 0,85-ha plot in the southernmost part of Le Cailleret, the part neighbouring Le Montrachet.

The wine and the style

After a light settling, the musts are put into 228 and 600-liter-barrels to complete the alcoholic and malolactic fermentations. We work with 5 to 20% new barrels with wood coming mostly from Allier, light toasting. The wines are racked about a year later before being transfered to stainless steel vats for the second phase of their aging in order to retain freshness and minerality.

Vine growing

Organic since 1995 and biodynamic since 2005. All our wines are certified by Ecocert.

The vintage

2022 embraces both quality and generosity, and reveals a vibrant and incredibly seductive profile with crunchy fruitiness.

Autumn and winter are mild with temperatures already higher than normal for the season and low rainfall. Temperatures continue to rise as months go by, reaching new heights with no less than four heatwave episodes but thankfully, although rare, the rains are sufficient and the vine keeps growing in the best possible conditions. The harvest begins in the last week of August. The hot and dry weather help limit the number of treatments to twice, three times less than the year before. The grapes are healthy, impeccable and the desired balance is there thanks to the light showers that fell in mid-August.

The aromas of fresh red fruit, the already silky tannins and the incredible energy seal a flamboyant future for this promising and already very accessible vintage. As for the whites, great balance once more, with a fruitiness that is both ripe and deliciously fresh.

Tasting note

The first nose hits with an electifying bouquet of great purity mixing yellow lemon zest and peel, yuzu and other tangy fruits. The mouth is outright and precise, with nice acids, and the length in the mouth simply majestic. This wine is just as much about minerality as it is about terroir.