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Les Folatieres

PULIGNY-MONTRACHET 1ER CRU Aspellation Puligny-Montrachet 1er Cru Contrôlée

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2022

Color white Grape variety chardonnay Surface area 0.52 ha Production 4 000 Share of new barrels 30% Alcohol 12,5%

The appellation Folatières comes from the old French "Foletière"-place haunted by the wisps- legendary creatures, elves. Popular imagination saw will-o'-the-wisp dancing. It is a large and heterogeneous cru. Our 0.52-ha plot is located in the heart of the cru, mid-slope, with two prestigious neighbors on each side (Domaines Leflaive and Leroy). The quality of this terroir, half limestone, half clay, leads us to believe that it is one of the three best ler crus in Puligny with "Le Cailleret" and "Les Pucelles".

### The wine and the style

After a light settling, the musts are put into 228 and 600-literbarrels 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

Fleshier than his neighbor the Cailleret, the Folatières delivers sumptuous ripe fruit with notes of toasted almond. Very long and promising.