



# MERCUREY 1ER CRU "LES PUILLETS" 2020

# CÔTE CHALONNAISE | 100% PINOT NOIR | PREMIER CRU

## PRESENTATION OF THE APPELATION

In the heart of the Côte Chalonnaise, Mercurey is one of the largest wine appellations in Burgundy. The vineyards lie on marl and marl-limestone terroirs from the Oxfordian period. The vines are given generous expression in these white, limestone-rich, or red and clayey soils.

## **TASTING: refined and elegant**

Food pairings: Mini Niçois stuffed vegetables Potential and cellaring advice: 3 to 7 years. Serving temperature: 16°C

### **VINEYARD**

- Surface: 5,9 haExposition: East
- Year of planting: 1967 / 1971
- Soil and Subsoil: Shallow soil from hard limestone with chert
- Density of planting: 9 000 wines / ha
- Soil cultivation: De-hilling in the spring / Maintenance with between vine blade in the summer

#### WINE

- Harvest date: du 21 au 24 août 2020
- Vinification: 6 to 7 days of cold pre-fermentation and two weeks of maceration with pumping over twice a day
- Aging: 18 months, 30% new barrels
- Production: 20000 bottles

# **CÔTE CHALONNAISE 2020 (WHITE)**

2020 will remain in the memory for many reasons. Not only was it the year of lockdowns and pandemic; it was also a unique and very satisfactory vintage in Bourgogne. This vintage was an historically early one, from budburst right through to harvest. The hot and sunny weather also ensured the grapes were bursting with health on the vines. Even more surprisingly, tasting has confirmed that despite the high temperatures and almost constant drought conditions, in addition to their rich aromas, the wines are also revealing a freshness that is as unexpected as it is remarkable. Côte Chalonnaise white wines offer great aromatic richness. Beautifully ripe grapes thanks to a very hot and dry summer have led to notes of very ripe citrus, pineapple, apricot, and acacia flower. On the palate, they are well-balanced; fresh, but dense and opulent. On the finish, they are indulgent, marked by pleasant mineral notes, with the promise of great ageing potential.



