



## MERCUREY "LES CHENEAULTS" 2022

# CÔTE CHALONNAISE | 100% PINOT NOIR | VILLAGE

#### 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 marllimestone 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: Beef fondue, egg in red wine sauce Potential and cellaring advice: 3 to 10 years. Serving temperature: 16°C

## VINEYARD

- Surface: 2,65 ha
- Exposition: South
- Year of planting: 2000
- Soil and Subsoil: Shallow soil on hard limestone, in a valley, south facing
- Density of planting: 9 000 wines / ha
- Soil cultivation: De-hilling in the spring / Maintenance with between vine blade in the summer

#### WINE

- Vinification: 5 to 7 days of cold pre-fermentation and two weeks of maceration with pumping over twice a day
- Aging: 18 months, 20% new barrels
- Production: 15000 bottles

# CÔTE CHALONNAISE 2022 (RED)

Nevertheless, the 2022 vintage was the fruit of an intense year weather-wise, with frost, heatwaves and drought. Production volumes, saved by a slightly later budburst which protected the buds from frost, could have been impacted by the four summer heatwaves and a widespread shortage of water. But the vines were able to draw on their own resources as well as those of the terroir. This connection between the vines and their environment has also brought a beautiful balance to the wines which, despite the very hot conditions of that year, have a great deal of subtlety, both on the nose and on the palate.

Red of Côte Chalonnaise in 2022 is another landmark vintage, thanks to the perfect ripeness and good quality of the grapes. The wines are richly aromatic, with floral scents inextricably associated with fruity aromas. Balanced and magnificently structured, their long finish is impressive. Already very enjoyable, they can be appreciated for many years to come.

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