DOMAINE JACQUES PRIEUR

Beaune Champs-Pimont Premier Cru 2020

Vintage 2020

"The harvest started historically early »

After an exceptionally mild winter, the vine quickly began to grow again and the first buds burst on March 25th. Thanks to a generous amount sunshine and high temperatures in the spring, the vineyard developed rapidly and the first flowers appeared on May 12th.

Flowering was rapid and was completely finished by May 26th. The heat set in for the summer and the ripening started at the beginning of July. The heat waves at the end of July and mid-August, as well as the lack of water, did not slow down the ripening of the grapes, which, on the contrary, progressed very quickly.

The harvest began at Domaine Jacques Prieur on August 20th with Pinot Noir grapes from the Côte de Beaune and ended on September 2nd, an unprecedented earliness.

The grapes were perfectly healthy, with excellent ripeness and a high level of acidity, which can be explained by the concentration that occurred at the end of the ripening cycle under the influence of a warm wind coming from the south and high temperatures.

GRAPE VARIETY & PLOT SIZE

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Grape variety : 100% Chardonnay on a 1.42 hectare plot

TERROIR

A large plot with the evocative name of "Les Champs au pied du Mont" (or, "The Fields at the Foot of the Mountain"), located on the slope overlooking the outskirts of Beaune. This vineyard, facing due east, produces both red and white wine. Chardonnay is planted on the upper part of the slope with chalky soil taht gives its mineral characteristics and unique personality. There is also often a salty flavour on the aftertaste.

Whole bunches of grapes were handpicked into small crates and pressed in a pneumatic wipepress. Alcoholic fermentation and areing entirely in oak barrels, 100% molelactic

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Duration of barrel ageing : 00 months

TASTING NOTES

Tasted in April 2022

COLOUR : Luminous freen-gold with silver reflections.

NOSE : Notes of flint stone, granny-smith apple, opening out on very fresh aniseed notes. PALATE : Floral and slightly "pastry" notes in first mouth, evolving on a beautiful salinity. Tension and energy on the mouth finish.



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