

DOMAINE JACQUES PRIEUR

Echézeaux Grand Cru 2006

2006: Beautiful, very classic vintage with a heatwave in the month of July. Very great year for white wines - these are rich and opulent. Lovely vintage producing delicious red wines that are extremely enjoyables as of now.

GRAPE VARIETY & PLOT SIZE

Grape variety: 100% Pinot Noir on a 0.36 hectare plot

TERROIR

Located in "Champs Traversins", in the heart of the historic Echézeaux vineyard, the vines are planted in north/south rows at the end bordering on La Combe d'Orveau.

Fairly thin brown soil with fine sandy/siliceous gravel on the surface.

A perfect microclimate: cool, well-ventilated, and healthy thanks to an air current

VINIFICATION & AGEING

The grapes were handpicked into small crates, then sorted and totally destemmed. The wine stayed on the skins for 17 days in temperature-controlled open oak vats. Pigeage (punching down the cap) was done twice a day during alcoholic fermentation.

100% malolactic fermentation 100% ageing in oak barrels Duration of ageing: 19 months

TASTING NOTES

Tasted in 2008

COLOUR: Deep ruby-red with attractive purplish highlights

NOSE: Very forthcoming and straighforward with hints of ripe black fruit (blackcurrant and blueberry) as well as delicately spicy and toasty aromas

PALATE: Elegant structure and quite delicious

Pure, well-focused fruit

Concentrated, silky tannin

Classy aftertaste

