

DOMAINE JACQUES PRIEUR

Meursault Santenots Premier Cru 2017

2017 Omnipresent Sun!

The exceptional warm weather and the sunlight in March and in the first half of April gave way to a very quick development of the vine. The decrease in temperature in the end of April and minor frost episodes did not impact our vineyards like in 2016.

With constantly high temperatures, the growth cycle of the vine during the phase of vegetation was fulgurating (early and rapid flowering at the end of May - beginning of June and "flash" véraison has finished by 10th August).

The canicular weather in end of August intersected with occasional rains has accelerated the maturation of grapes and placed 2017 vintage among the earliest since the beginning of the years 2000.

The harvest at Domaine Jacque Prieur began on 29th August.

GRAPE VARIETY & PLOT SIZE

Grape variety: 100% Chardonnay on a 0.80 hectare plot

TERROIR

This vineyard, located in the commune of Meursault, is unusual in that it is entitled to produce Meursault-Santenots Premier Cru white wine if planted with Chardonnay and Volnay-Santenots Premier Cru red wine if planted with Pinot Noir. Facing east, this vineyard has deep soil with alternating friable limestone aggregate associated with marl and silt.

Situated at the foot of the slope, this Meursault-Santenots has a perfect balance between soil and stone that encourages ripening.

VINIFICATION & AGEING

Whole bunches of grapes were handpicked into small crates and the pressed in a pneumatic winepress. The juice was cold settled after pressing for 12-14 hours under temperature-controlled conditions. Alcoholic fermentation and ageing entirely in oak barrels.

100% malolactic fermentation

Duration of ageing: 22 months

TASTING NOTES

Tasted in July 2019

COLOUR: Light green, bright silver reflections.

NOSE: Charming with anise and fresh fruit notes (white fruits, pears, white peaches) evolving into fine spicy notes (vanilla).

PALATE: Delicious with a fresh and precise texture, enhanced with sharp and spicy notes, with embracing sapidity on the finish.

