

## LE MONT (BLANC)

Bourgogne Hautes-Côtes de Nuits

2022



### THE STYLE OF THE WINE

The Bourgogne Hautes-Côtes de Nuits appellation is on a roll, and offers fresh wines that can be drunk straight away. Depending on the year, Chardonnay reveals notes of lemon, peach, hazelnut, acacia flowers and linden, and is sometimes more generous with hawthorn flowers, pear, pineapple and almond. The palate presents a nice balance between freshness and fruit-filled roundness, offering a well-integrated and salty finish, most often marked by aromas of lemon and tropical fruit.

### THE TERROIR

The Bourgogne Hautes-Côtes de Nuits appellation is favourable for the expression of the two Burgundy grape varieties.

Located above the village of Premeaux-Prissey, the single plot of 1 hectare facing south-east overlooks the hillside at 400 metres above sea level and is located just above our Clos des Forêts Saint Georges, facing east.

The vines are co-planted and Chardonnay covers an area of 0.66 hectares in a shallow layer of stony soil with a mixture of sand, clay and silt.

### DISCOVER MORE

- Planted in 2012 with fine grafted vine plants, this young vineyard is developing and just waiting for the chance to express itself.

- Ageing in barrels, with less than 15 % of new barrels. Bottling takes place after 12 months of ageing.

- The Bourgogne Hautes-Côtes de Nuits vineyard lies parallel to the Côte de Nuits, from Gevrey-Chambertin to the Bois de Corton. The appellation is restricted to still white, red and rosé wines produced in the area, which was defined in 1961 and covers 19 municipalities. The vineyard underwent a period of expansion linked to economic growth throughout the 19th century, until phylloxera struck. Between 1910 and 1936, almost half of the vineyard disappeared. Since the 1950s it has taken two generations of winegrowers working with mixed crops to patiently and bravely reconquer the vanished plots. The current generation is continuing this effort and is putting the wines once more in the limelight.

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### FOOD PAIRINGS

Its lively, harmonious personality is perfect for aperitifs. Its freshness is intensified by seafood, marinated salmon and roasted fish with vegetables. Rounder wines with exotic aromas are an ideal match for fresh foie gras with fleur de sel, pasta with salmon, fish in sauce or poultry in cream. Creamy soft cheeses, goat cheese with honey, Chaource and Comté suit it well.

### TASTING NOTE

It's an invitation to taste. The first nose is expressive of white flowers and citrus fruit, with a delicate touch. The palate is juicy, round and fresh. With its long finish, it's a delicious wine that's ready to drink.

Géraldine Godot, Technical Director (May 2024)

### THE WEATHER

After a mild, dry winter and the presence of a cold air mass at the beginning of April, spring-like conditions set in, causing rapid growth of vegetation. Flowering was rapid and clusters of grapes held the promise of a generous harvest. The exceptionally warm spring and timely rainfall allowed good ripening in scorching temperatures. Our Pinot Noir and Chardonnay nonetheless retained a surprising acidity, making them worthy representatives of Burgundy.

### THE HARVEST

Ripeness checks were stepped up in mid-August and we noticed some blockages due to very high temperatures. This natural protection proved salutary, as sugar levels progressed slowly and acidity was preserved.

Harvesting took place from 26th to 31st August. Only the Hautes-Côtes de Nuits plot was harvested on 10th September. The weather was fine and the volumes unexpected. The estate's yield was 38hl/ha.

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