

CUVÉE LES PETITS PLETS

Nuits Saint Georges 1er Cru

2010



THE STYLE OF THE WINE

Made from the youngest vines of the Clos des Forêts Saint Georges, it already reveals the strength and elegance of the terroir it comes from, but with a sensual pleasure and tenderness of its own. It reveals aromas which are certainly not lacking in brightness and distinction. As is typical of the terroir they come from, the tannins are quite present and contribute to the volume and the dense, fleshy texture in the mouth. As a whole it is precise, full and energetic.

DISCOVER MORE

Yields are kept relatively low despite the vigour of these young vines, notably by using an original "fan-shaped" method of pruning, which is halfway between the "taille" Guyot method of pruning and the "cordon de Royat" method.

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THE TERROIR

This wine comes from the youngest vines of the Clos des Forêts Saint Georges. They are now over 20 years old as they were planted in 1987, 1988 and 1989.

They are inside the Clos des Forêts, in the lower part. The name "Petits Plets" featured on ancient maps of vineyards dating from the 1880s. At that time this name was used by wine-growers to designate the least sloping part of their plots.

THE WEATHER

A -19°C frost in December killed some vines and destroyed numerous buds. Cold rain during flowering caused substantial failure of bloom. Though the year began with this exceptional weather, the rest of the winegrowing season saw more classic conditions.

THE HARVEST

Started in sunshine on September 23rd and lasted until October 1st, classically beginning with the young vines and ending with the Clos des Forêts' old vines. Overall the state of the grapes was good, with small bunches and a high proportion of millerandage.

THE GRAPES

Good quality but quantities were very low! With the ups and downs in the weather, we talked about earlier, we recorded yields which were record-breakingly low.

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