

Jean-Claude Boisset,
Bourgogne Chardonnay `Les Ursulines` 2022
Côte de Beaune, Burgundy, France



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Grape Varieties	100% Chardonnay
Winemaker	Grégory Patriat
Closure	Screwcap
ABV	12.5%
Bottle Sizes	75cl

PRODUCER

Jean-Claude Boisset is a family-owned wine company founded in 1961. Jean-Claude's first parcel of land was located in Gevrey-Chambertin and today the company is based in Les Ursulines, a former convent in Nuits-Saint-Georges, and run by his children Jean-Charles and Nathalie. Grégory Patriat, who had previously worked at the legendary Vosne-Romanée producer Domaine Leroy, joined in 2002 to revitalise and reinvent the house. He transformed Boisset into a 'viticulteur', working closely with the growers, guiding the wines from vine to bottle to achieve the desired quality. In 2018, they opened a new state-of-the-art winery, which reflects their modern, technical approach to winemaking.

VINEYARDS

The Chardonnay for 'Les Ursulines' is sourced from several vineyard parcels across the Burgundy region with different soils, exposures and microclimates. Yonne to the north brings freshness and minerality to the blend, the component parts from the Côte d'Or add a rounder, deeper flavour character and structure, whilst the Côte Chalonnaise and the Mâcon grapes bring riper, juicier fruit to the blend. The vines are between 25 to 45 years old on predominantly clay limestone soils.

VINTAGE

Following a string of difficult years, the 2022 vintage in Burgundy was characterised by abundance and excellence. Despite a drought during the growing season, volumes returned to average levels and the quality of the grapes was such that very little sorting was required. Harvest took place between 1st and 13th September 2022.

VINIFICATION

The Chardonnay grapes were hand harvested and then very gently whole-bunch pressed for two and a half hours. The temperature of the must was dropped to 12°C before it was transferred to oak barrels without settling for fermentation. The wine was aged for six months in oak without racking or lees stirring. Only 10% new, lightly toasted French oak barrels were used, giving a rounded texture to the finished wine. Bottling took place in March 2023.

TASTING NOTES

Pale lemon in colour. On the nose, aromas of citrus and stone fruits are combined with perfectly integrated toasty notes from oak. On the palate, a mouthwatering acidity carries the well defined flavours onto the lingering finish.