# Jean-Claude Boisset.

# Vosne-Romanée 2020

# Vosne-Romanée, Burgundy, France





Winemaker	Grégory Patriat
Closure	Natural Cork
ABV	13%
Bottle Sizes	75cl

## **PRODUCER**

Grégory Patriat is the accomplished winemaker at the helm of Nuits-Saint-Georges négociant Jean-Claude Boisset. Previously head viticulturist and assistant winemaker at the legendary Domaine Leroy, Grégory has brought a detailed, vineyard-led approach to Jean-Claude Boisset and produces wines that are truly reflective of their lieu-dits. It is a testament to his skill, that after tasting the 2021 vintage, Jancis Robinson MW wrote that she "was utterly knocked out by the balance and refinement of Grégory Patriat's wines at J-C Boisset". Founded by the Boisset family in 1961, the company is now based in Les Ursulines, a former convent in Nuits-Saint-Georges that has been converted into a state-of-theart, gravity-fed winery.

#### **VINEYARDS**

The commune of Vosne-Romanée is located in the heart of the Côte de Nuits, between Vougeot and Nuits-Saint-Georges, at an elevation of around 250 metres above sea level and spanning just over 150 hectares. This cuvée is a blend of two plots: 'Les Vigneux', located to the north of the village on a gentle slope and near the Grand Cru 'Romanée Saint-Vivant', and 'Les Jacquines', located to the south of the appellation on the Nuits-Saint-Georges side. The 48-year-old, Guyot-trained vines are east/southeast-facing and sit on limestone and marl scree soils.

## **VINTAGE**

2020 in Burgundy was characterised by hot and dry conditions, resulting in an early harvest. After a mild spring, temperatures climbed and then remained consistently warm throughout the majority of the summer months, greatly reducing any risk of disease in the vineyard. Unfortunately, with their characteristically thin skins, a portion of the Pinot Noir grapes were affected by sunburn and had to be removed before harvest. However, those that were left were of superb quality, with high colour and aromatic intensity. Grégory Patriat is excited by the potential of the 2020s: "Lots of lovely colour in the reds, with very high polyphenol content, firm tannins and excellent levels of acidity. Looks set to be a year with great cellaring potential."

## **VINIFICATION**

The hand-harvested Pinot Noir was carefully sorted on the winery sorting table before being gravity fed into tank for a cool prefermentation maceration. Fermentation followed with partial whole bunch and indigenous yeasts. Punch downs were carried out during the ferment to allow maximum skin contact. Following fermentation, the wine was aged in lightly toasted, 228-litre, French oak barrels.

#### **TASTING NOTES**

An exceptionally elegant Vosne-Romanée with well-defined aromas of strawberries, raspberries and red cherries combined with subtle spicy notes. Powerful yet graceful on the palate with silky tannins and a vibrant acidity that drives the complex flavours onto the long mineral finish.