

Domaine Corsin,

Pouilly-Fuissé 1er Cru `Aux Chailloux` 2020

Pouilly-Fuissé, Burgundy, France



Grape Varieties	100% Chardonnay
Winemaker	André Corsin
Closure	Natural Cork
ABV	13.5%
Bottle Sizes	75cl

PRODUCER

Domaine Corsin has an excellent reputation and a rich history of making wines in Saint Véran and Pouilly-Fuissé. They were among the first producers to label the wines as Pouilly-Fuissé and Mâcon Blanc. Joseph Jacquet, the founder of the domaine, began with only two hectares of Chardonnay in 1864. In 1971, with the advent of the Saint Véran appellation, Joseph's grandson André acquired new vineyards in Davayé and Pouilly-Fuissé. His two sons, Jean-Jacques and Gilles, subsequently joined him in the family business. Today, the domaine is now in its fifth generation and owns 13.6 hectares of Chardonnay in the Mâconnais.

VINEYARDS

'Aux Chailloux' is a prime single vineyard site near the village of Solutré-Pouilly which has been proposed as a Premier Cru in the classification of the Pouilly-Fuissé vineyards. The vineyards have a north-easterly exposure and the 72-year-old vines are rooted in clay-limestone soils at an elevation of between 200 and 280 metres.

VINTAGE

The 2020 vintage was good in the Mâconnais. A wet winter built up good water reserves in the soil and mild temperatures protected the vines from frost damage. Spring was moderate and sunny, and flowering occurred ahead of schedule. It wasn't until summer that the high temperatures arrived, but thanks to the rainfall in winter, most plots were protected from hydric stress. There were some showers in August, balanced by long, sunny days that provided ideal conditions for an even maturation. The harvest took place under perfect conditions; both yields and quality were excellent.

VINIFICATION

The grapes were harvested by hand before being gently pressed, then cold fermented. 50% of the wine was aged in stainless-steel tanks while the remaining 50% was matured in oak barrels, of which 10% were new. Both component parts were aged on fine lees with stirring for 10 months. The wine was bottled in December 2021.

TASTING NOTES

This wine is pale golden in colour with intense aromas of stone fruit and white flowers, intertwined with notes of vanilla and toast. The palate is powerful with layered notes of peach, lemon pith and golden pear balanced by bright acidity that drives the long, rich finish.