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| Grape Varieties | 100% Pinot Noir |
| Winemaker | Grégory Patriat |
| Closure | Natural Cork |
| ABV | 14% |
| 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-the-art, gravity-fed winery.

VINEYARDS

Situated halfway between Dijon and Beaune, the Nuits-Saint-Georges vineyards stretch over six kilometres and cover over 300 hectares and a great diversity of terroirs. 'Les Charbonnières' is situated to the south of the appellation, near the village of Prémieux-Prissey, at a slightly lower elevation than the vineyards in the north. Soils here are predominantly marl with sand and pebbly alluvium washed down from the higher slopes. Grégory works with a 1.2-hectare, southeast-facing parcel here. The 58-year-old vines are Guyot-trained and low yielding, producing around 21 hectolitres per hectare.

VINTAGE

The 2022 vintage in Burgundy was characterised by abundance and excellence. Despite heatwaves and the largest drought in Burgundy since 1976, 2022 emerged as a generous vintage, with excellent quality. The growing season began with a cold winter, which delayed budburst and ensured most vineyards escaped April frosts unscathed. Optimal spring conditions followed and the vines grew quickly, with flowering taking place in mid-May. The summer was hot and dry, yet rain showers at the end of June replenished water reserves and allowed vines to thrive. Harvest at Jean-Claude Boisset began on 29th August and finished on 14th September. The grapes were in such excellent condition that virtually no sorting was required. Grégory Patriat describes 2022 as "a beautiful vintage".

VINIFICATION

The hand-harvested Pinot Noir was carefully sorted on the winery sorting table before being gravity fed into tank for a cool pre-fermentation maceration at 12°C for four days. Fermentation followed with 50% whole bunch and indigenous yeasts. Only three punch downs were carried out during the ferment and total maceration time on the skins (including the pre-fermentation maceration) was 23 days. Following fermentation, the wine was aged for 15 months in lightly toasted, 228-litre, French oak fûts, 43% of which were new. 3,312 bottles produced in 2022.

TASTING NOTES

An exceptionally elegant Nuits-Saint-Georges brimming with aromas of black cherry, raspberry and blackcurrant, married with a subtle spiciness. Powerful yet elegant on the palate, with firm but fine tannins and a bright acidity which drives the complex flavours onto the lingering mineral finish.