



Grape Varieties	<b>100% Chardonnay</b>
Winemaker	<b>Grégory Patriat</b>
Closure	<b>Natural Cork</b>
ABV	<b>14.5%</b>

## PRODUCER

Jean-Claude Boisset is a family-owned wine company founded in 1961, with their first parcel located in Gevrey-Chambertin. Today the company is run by 2nd generation siblings Jean-Charles and Nathalie Boisset and is based in Les Ursulines, a former convent in Nuits-Saint-Georges converted into a state-of-the-art winery. Since 2002, the wines have been made by Grégory Patriat. Previously head viticulturist and assistant winemaker at the legendary Domaine Leroy, Grégory has brought a detailed, vineyard-led approach to Jean-Claude Boisset. After tasting the 2021 vintage, Jancis Robinson wrote that she "was utterly knocked out by the balance and refinement of Grégory Patriat's wines at J-C Boisset".

## VINEYARDS

2022 is the fourth vintage of Grégory's Fixin Blanc, which comes from a tiny plot named 'La Sorgentière' within the 125-hectare Fixin appellation. After its neighbour Marsannay, Fixin is the second most northerly appellation of the Côte de Nuits, known principally for the production of Pinot Noir. There are just six hectares planted to Chardonnay and Fixin Blanc remains a rarity. Boisset's Fixin Blanc comes from an east-facing parcel of 42-year-old, Guyot-trained vines located beneath the famous 1er Cru 'Clos du Chapitre' on marl and limestone soils.

## VINTAGE

Following the challenges of 2021, the 2022 vintage in Burgundy is characterised by abundance and excellence. Despite heatwaves and the largest drought in Burgundy since 1976, 2022 emerged as a generous vintage, with excellent quality and yields far exceeding the three previous years. 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 with the Corton 'Les Renardes' Grand Cru parcel and finished on 14th September. The grapes were in such excellent condition that virtually no sorting was required. Having tracked the 'élevage' process over the past year, Grégory Patriat describes 2022 as "a beautiful vintage". He is particularly excited by the potential longevity of the wines, which balance fantastic concentration with remarkable freshness.

## VINIFICATION

Upon arrival at the winery, the hand-harvested Chardonnay grapes were gently whole bunch pressed for 2.5 hours. The temperature of the must was brought down to 12°C and it was transferred to 450-litre French oak demi-muids for fermentation with indigenous yeasts. Following fermentation, the wine was aged in lightly toasted French oak demi-muids, 40% of which were new.

## TASTING NOTES

A beautiful pale yellow in colour, this wine displays intense aromas of white peach and stone fruit, with hints of almond and gentle spice from time in oak. The palate is vibrant and fresh yet full-bodied and complex, and the finish long.