

Dense, concentrated and balanced, this wine offers a fleshy fruit and exotic notes, with a fresh and mineral mouth, which gains in subtlety after a few years of ageing.

SANCERRE BLANC « La Côte des Monts Damnés »

TERROIR: Kimmeridgian marls

BEST SERVED AT: 10-12°C (50-53°F)

AGEING POTENTIAL: 6 to 9 years



VITICULTURE & TERROIR

- The vines are cultivated on a terroir of **Kimmeridgian marls** composed of thousands of small comma-shaped oyster shells (*ostrea virgula*)
- The Côte des Monts Damnés is one of the most famous and oldest cultivated hillsides of the Sancerre region (11th century); **it is south-facing and overlooks Chavignol**, the village of the Famille Bourgeois
- Voluntarily low yields, with a **high density cultivation** and **grassing** of the inter-rows
- Use of **organic fertilizers** only

WINEMAKING

- **Hand-picked** and transported to the winery across the valley with the utmost care
- **Slow and gentle pressing** to preserve the aromatic potential of the grapes
- Cold **settling** (8°C) and natural clarification of the must
- **Alcoholic fermentation** in temperature-controlled **stainless steel vats** between 59 and 64°F
- **Maturation** in vats on fine lees of fermentation for 9 months

PAIRING

This wine is a partner of choice for high level cuisine; it reveals itself with white meats, fish, or mature cheeses.

Our gastronomic suggestions:

- *Sweetbreads «Bouchées à la reine» ;*
- *Brochettes of grilled prawns;*
- *A famous Crottin de Chavignol.*

TASTING

Eye	Pale gold
Nose	Aromas of great finesse, slightly exotic
Palate	Clear, mineral, fruity and delicate - gains in fatness and complexity after 3 to 5 years of ageing

A nose of great finesse with exotic notes and a clean, mineral, fruity but not exuberant mouth. The direct and delicate expression of one of the most beautiful places of the Sancerre appellation.

AWARDS & ACCOLADES

2020	Wine Advocate	92 pts
2020	Wine Enthusiast	92 pts
2020	James Suckling	92 pts
2019	Loire Buyers' Selection	92 pts
2019	Wine Advocate	94 pts
2019	Wine Enthusiast	93 pts
2018	Wine Advocate	89 pts
2018	Wine Enthusiast	93 pts
2017	Decanter	91 pts
2017	Wine Spectator	93 pts
2017	Wine Enthusiast	93 pts