

Corton-Les Renardes Grand Cru 2018

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TASTING NOTES

Adorned with a brilliant light garnet color, this graceful wine reveals aromas of violets on the nose. On the palate, it is well balanced and is marked by red fruits and offers a nice freshness. A Corton with elegance.



ORIGIN

Composed of 25 different climats, the Grand Cru Corton is an emblematic figure of Burgundy. It extends over three villages: Aloxe-Corton, Ladoix-Serrigny and Pernand-Vergelesses. Each climate has its own personality. "Les Renardes" is located on the village of Aloxe-Corton, on a gently sloping plot. The vines are aged on average 45. "The Foxes" takes its name from the word Fox. This animal, lover of small game, is very present in Burgundy. The other hypothesis is that the parcel belonged to a family called Renard, a very common family name.

VITICULTURE

Grape variety: pinot noir
Soils: brown, stony clay-limestone.
Orientation: East
Surface area under vine: 0.1912 ha
Pruning: Yield: 35 hL/ha
Average age of the vines: 45 years old.

VINIFICATION

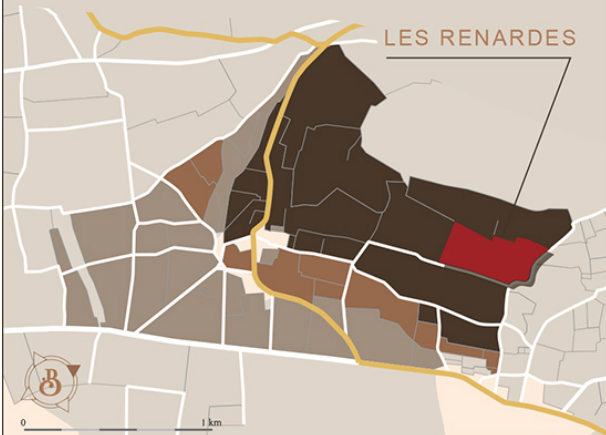
Harvest date: 1 September 2018.

The grapes were sorted a first time in the vineyard and a second time on the sorting table when they arrived at the winery.

At the winery: the grapes were 50% destemmed and were gravity-fed into tanks. Maceration lasted a total of 18 days including 4 days of cold maceration (12°C). Fermentation used indigenous yeasts only (no additives such as enzymes or tannins were used). 3 punchings of the cap. Vinification without sulfur.

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AGEING

Maturation: aged on the lees for 14 months with no racking using a proportion of 30% new French oak barrels.
Barrels: French oak barrels that had been toasted at low temperatures for a long time for very delicate oaking.

BOTTLING

Bottling: The wine was gently filtered before being bottled in December 2019.
Number of bottles: 683 & 100 magnums.

VINTAGE

2018, abundance and excellence
After a winter that was almost too mild, the vintage was notable for two contrasting periods. Spring was sunny and totally devoid of frost, despite some localized episodes of hail, which had major impact on certain plots on the Côte de Nuits, which were hit in June. Then the summer was dry and hot, blocking the ripening process in places. Picking began early, with exceptionally abundant fruit in tip-top condition, offering the potential for some very fine wines.
Ageing potential: from 6 to 10 years.



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