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TASTING NOTES

The colour is golden yellow. On the nose, this wine reveals aromas of sweet spices, citrus zest and yellow fruit. The buttery, toasty flavours on the palate are counterbalanced by a tangy structure.



ORIGIN

With 27 ha of white grapes under vine and 147 ha of red, the white wines of Marsannay remain something of a curiosity. The vineyards are planted in clay-limestone soil dating back to the Middle Jurassic period. Located in the southern part of the appellation, near the village of Couchey, the vineyard's eastern exposure along with its small limestone pebbles and numerous faults allow for the production of elegant, pure wines. The 45-year-old vines are planted at an altitude of 230 m.

VITICULTURE

Grape variety: chardonnay
Soils: deep clay-limestone.
Orientation: East
Pruning: Guyot system
Average age of the vine: 48 years old.

VINIFICATION

Harvest date: 3 October 2021.
The grapes were handpicked.
At the winery: the whole bunches of grapes were gently pressed for 2½ hours. The temperature of the must was brought down to 12°C then was immediately transferred to barrels (450L) with no settling to preserve a maximum of lees. Long fermentation using indigenous yeasts for added complexity and freshness.

MARSANNAY-LA-CÔTE



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AGEING

Maturation: aged for 15 months with no racking or stirring to bring out all of this wine's minerality. A proportion of 40% new French oak barrels.

Barrels: French oak barrels that had been toasted at low temperatures for a long time to impart a subtle, delicate touch of oak were used.

BOTTLING

Bottling: the wine was bentonite fined and very gently filtered before being bottled using gravity in February 2023. Number of bottles: 1,364 bottles.

VINTAGE

A complex vintage!

It is both a winegrower and winemaker's vintage ! 2021 will unfortunately be remembered quantity-wise for a long time by its disastrous frost early april. Direct consequence: this is probably one of the smallest vintages ever in Burgundy . It offers a very nice and subtle representation of each terroir and its expression, with fruity, freshness and great finesse wines.

Ageing potential: from 6 to 8 years.



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