





## Estate owned by:

Didier Montchovet

Winemaker: Didier Montchovet

**Year Founded:** 

1984



## Farming and Land:

Certified Demeter, Biodynamic farming on 12.7 hectares (31 acres) from four different sites in the Côte-de-Beaune, over half the vines are planted using the Lyre trellis system on limestone-clay soils.



## **Production:**

Bourgogne Aligoté: 1,000 cases Bourgogne Chardonnay: 350 cases

Bourgogne Hautes-Côtes de Beaune Blanc:

800 cases

Coteaux Bourguignons: 350 cases

Bourgogne Hautes-Côtes de Beaune Rouge:

2,000 cases

Pommard: 250 cases Volnay: 35 cases

Beaune 1er Cru 'Aux Coucherias' Rouge:

250 cases



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from the best family vineyards.

## Didier Montchovet

he story of Didier Montchovet is one of dedication and passion. In 1984 Didier decided he would pursue a organic/biodynamic approach which was not a popular idea at the time in Burgundy. Because of this there was no help from his family and he started off on his own leasing just half a hectare of vines (just over one acre). It was a slow process. He acquired another 6 acres (2.5 hectares) in '89 and officially released his first vintage for sale in 1990.

Didier has continued to grow with the utmost concern for the land, adding two larger plots to his Domaine from the communes of Bouze-les-Beaune and Nantoux. With one glance at the vineyards it is easy to see that Didier follows a different path with more than half of his vines planted in the 'Y' shaped, Lyre trellis system. Didier believes there to be many benefits for this method including better circulation for the grapes preventing disease, better exposure for the soil to plant grasses and cereals increasing biodiversity, and the added benefit of the grapes growing higher off the ground, making it easier for the workers to pick standing up.

Even the organic fertilizer (manure) is all produced on the property from their livestock minimizing the carbon footprint of the winery. This commitment to high standards in the vineyard is expressed in each bottle released from Domaine Didier Montchovet.

Arguably the greatest wine region on earth, Burgundy is known to produce the best expressions of Pinot Noir and Chardonnay. This level of excellence is a tradition, largely unbroken, dating back to the Cluny monks established in burgundy in 909 AD. Much of the knowledge and approach to fine winemaking can be traced back to its roots here. At Domaine Montchovet we find pure expressions of the terroir and character of the Côte de Baune continuing the evolution and quality of this great wine region.