DOMAINE de MONTILLE

Vosne-Romanée 1er Cru Aux Malconsorts

2021

Color red
Grape variety pinot noir
Surface area 0,89
Production 2 600
Share of whole harvest 50%
Share of new barrels 50%
Alcohol 13%

The appellation

Vosne-Romanée (153 ha), is home to some of the most precious and rare wines in the world. The plot located south of the famous Grand Cru La Tâche (DRC monopole), is called “Aux Malconsorts”. This 5.86-ha cru benefits from an exceptional location with altitude, exposure and type of soil similar to its illustrious neighbor. Domaine de Montille has the privilege of harvesting two plots in “Les Malconsorts”. One with an area of 0.89 ha covers the cru from top to bottom with different soils in the upper part (light brown clay and pebbles). and at the bottom (dark red clay). The origin of the term “Malconsorts” is uncertain. Some say it refers to the tormented history of the ownership of this vineyard, including legal battles to contest or assert ownership of this magical place. The wines are of prodigious finesse and elegance. The aromatic complexity, the floral, fragrant, often spicy notes are extraordinary. The silkiness of the tannins, the depth and the effortless character of the body give this wine an ethereal dimension.

The wine and the style

Today’s style remains faithful to Hubert's classic and terroir-driven approach, with greater aromatic expression, silkier and more unctuous textures in the reds, allowing them to drink earlier, without compromising their ability to age. The domaine is known in Burgundy for using a significant proportion of whole clusters that varies from one to cuvée to another depending on the plant material and the vintage.

Vine growing

Organic since 1995 and biodynamic since 2005. All our wines are certified by Ecocert.

The vintage

Vintage 2021 had everyone talking very early in the growing season due to the terrible spring frost that hit the region between April 6 and 8, 2021. Temperatures dropped to -8°C (17°F), irremediably damaging harvest volume. The vines timidly resumed their development, the relatively cold and wet days of July and beginning of August keeping them a bit behind schedule throughout the summer. With twice as many treatments to push off mildew outbreaks, the growing season of 2021 was quite the challenge for our team but everyone's efforts paid off! Inevitably, volumes were down by 60% on average with major disparities. Chardonnay vines were more affected by the frost because they were ahead in their vegetative cycle compared to pinot noir. Yet, the musts surprised us all with exceptional crisp and stellar freshness. As a result, 2021 unveils a classic and well-balanced profile. Far from the solar character of the previous three vintages, it reveals airy textures and lovely drinkability, combining pleasure and purity.

Tasting note

Exhilarating bouquet of red fruit, thyme, undergrowth highlighted by a dash of wilted rose petal. The palate is medium-bodied with coating tannins and fine bitterness.