



CHÂTEAU DE LA CRÉE
DEPUIS 1431

Premier Cru

SANTENAY

« BEAUREGARD »

Appellation

Santenay is located right south to Chassagne Montrachet and is the most southern village of Burgundy famous "Cote D'or" ("Golden Coast") region. The etymology of Santenay is most probably connected to the word "Sanctus" which refers to a sacred place before Christian era. The appellation, 140 ha of planted vines, is composed of three areas, one next to Chassagne, one around the village and one just south of the village. It is today mainly a Pinot Noir planted appellation however the Chardonnay are revealing high potential there.

Vineyard

Beauregard parcel is one of these hidden treasures that revealed the potential of Santenay for magical white wines. Guyot training. Yield around 50 hl/ha. South-East exposure. Soil: balanced of marl, clay and limestone. Slope gradient 30%. Altitude: 330m.

Grape variety

Chardonnay

Age of the vines

23 years

Area

0.26 ha

Date of harvest

16th of September 2014

Ageing

10 months, 25% new oak

Date of bottling

March 2016

Guard time

**Ready to drink now until 2025
and more**

Temperature

11°-13°

Characteristic

After the dormant winter period, the vines returned to life in clement, warm and dry conditions. At the end of June, the weather changed, becoming cool and damp, but ripening continued nonetheless. The return of the sun and a northerly wind - the signature of September in the Bourgogne wine region - led to ideal conditions for the vines to reach full maturity. Picking began in mid-September in a serene and sunny atmosphere.

Wine-food pairing

Fluid and creamy dishes like fish couscous, or pasta or risotto with mushrooms, poultry in cream sauce, Comté, Beaufort, and goat cheeses.

Tasting note

Nose: very nice nose with notes of apricot, orange peel, perhaps more minerality than on the Beaurepaire and light touch of honey / raisins / exotic fruit like mango. Mouth: simply great balance and stunning complexity in the mouth with tropical fruit and citrus notes followed by a very long lasting finish showing great minerality (Most likely coming from the soil). Absolutely stunning wine with overall balance in between acidity, tension, aromatic pallet and minerality.

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