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ROOTS MATTER

“Aligoté is the forgotten and often ignored white grape variety of Burgundy, existing in the shadows of great Chardonnays.”

Domaine Royet Bourgogne Aligoté Les Chante - Renards



Jean-Claude and his son Vincent now represent the third and fourth generation of the estate, which was started by Jean-Claude's grandparents in the 1930's. Jean-Claude's parents took over in 1968, doubling the vineyard size from 4 to 8 hectares. Like their father, they continued to just produce red wines that were sold to neighbouring wineries. Jean-Claude joined in 1984 and he was able to convince his parents to add some vineyards for white grapes to produce both still and sparkling wines. After completing his enological education in Beaune, Vincent ventured out to explore and learn the winemaking techniques in New Zealand. He joined his father in 2020, and applying his newly acquired knowledge and skills, helped in elevating the Royet wines to an even higher level. Over the past forty years, the estate established a very good reputation but are still a true insider's tip, also owing to the fact that the winery is located in the small, lesser known appellation of Côtes du Couchois. An impressive 90% of the wines are sold directly at the winery to visiting consumers from all over Europe and also to local restaurants. Only 10% of the wines get exported – to Japan, England, and now to Alberta.

## VINICULTURE

The vines of Bourgogne Côtes du Couchois are located to the south of the Côte de Beaune and the Hautes Côtes de Beaune, on the left bank of the River Dheune, which separates it from the Côte Chalonnaise to the east. They grow on the best slopes in this rolling landscape, offering some remarkable viewpoints.



## VINIFICATION

The Royet family is very gentle in the process of winemaking. Started by manual harvesting and cooling of the grapes for a little maceration before reheating to 20C and pressing. The fermentation in stainless steel, then aged for 8 months in oak barrels.



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Region	Bourgogne
Classification	Côtes du Couchois
Vintage	Bourgogne AOC
Grapes	100% Aligoté
Soil Composition	Clayey Soil
Vineyard Training	Double Cordon
Density/Yield	45 hl/ha
Fermentation	Stainless steel

Aging	8 months in oak barrels
Alcohol	12.5 %
Residual Sugar	1 g/l
PH	3.26 g/l
TA	5.6 g/l
Free SO2	21 mg/l
Total SO2	68 mg/l

## TASTING NOTES

A dry, light and powerful wine with aromas of white fruit, ripe peach, and white flowers. Very fresh, elegant and full of character, it presents a nice acidity.

## FOODS + MOODS

A surprisingly complex Aligoté that is best enjoyed as an aperitif, a selection of young and creamy cheeses, grilled fish, and seafood.