

"Vincent crafts his Chardonnay Authentique in the tradition and style of a great Meursault - A great example of a world-class white wine from Burgundy!"

Domaine Royet Bourgogne Chardonnay Authentique



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 produced 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.
Malolactic fermentation and aging take place in a combination of oak barrique and oak barrels.



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SKU:8082	296
Region	Côtes du Couchois
Classification	Bourgogne AOC
Vintage	2023
Grapes	100% Chardonnay
Soil Composition	Clayey Soil
Vineyard Training	Double Cordon
Density/Yield	45 hl/ha
Fermentation	French Barrique
Aging	Barrique and oak barrels for 14 months
Alcohol	13 %
Residual Sugar	1 g/l
PH	3.33 g/l
ТА	5.6 g/l
Free SO2	22 mg/l
Total SO2	78 mg/l

### **TASTING NOTES**

On the nose, inviting and well-structured aromas of oak with buttery undertones. The palate reveals a rich and balanced texture, highlighting a beautiful harmony between oak and ripe fruit. Malolactic fermentation adds an extra dimension to the aromatic palette, while the persistent finish offers a beautiful length in the mouth.

### FOODS + MOODS

This elegant Chardonnay is best enjoyed in the company of good friends. It pairs well with Epoisse, noble fish in cream sauce, roasted poultry and game birds.