

Domaine Gouron

La Croix Boissée



VINTAGE	2018
REGION	Loire Valley
APPELLATION	Chinon
VARIETAL	100% Chenin Blanc
ALCOHOL	13.5%
TERROIR	Limestone-clay plot on south facing slopes
INFO	28 Ha (69.18 Acres) total vineyard & a 1 Ha (2.4 Acres) single plot is devoted to La Croix Boissée Blanc 100% alcoholic & malolactic fermentations & 15 month aging, in French oak 400 L Barrels Bottled April 20' - Unfined / Filtered 330cs production for 2018 Vint. Heavy "Bourguignonne" bottle Sustainable Agriculture Practices

About the Estate:

The GOURON Family has been producing wine for 3 generations in their estate of Cravant les Coteaux. Their Domaine GOURON is entirely located within the Chinon Appellation d'Origine Protégée.

Throughout the year, they take great care of their vines to get the best maturity and natural lower yields. To reach the desired concentration and expression from their Cabernet Franc, the Gouron family utilizes green-covering in each row, very short pruning and reduced foliage. Each parcel is harvested and vinified separately in order to keep and reveal the expression of each terroir. The gravelly-sandy on the plain, the sandy-limestone slopes and the silex-flinty hilltops soil.

Caves under the hillside of the estate extend for several hundreds of meters and offer the perfect natural temperature conditions for aging and storage of the Domaine GOURON wines. We tasted the wines from more than 20 different producers within 4 years before making our decision for a Chinon. Domaine GOURON is the "conclusion" of this very careful survey, and we are simply proud of this estate.

Domaine GOURON - La Croix Boissée is made from Chenin Blanc planted on a limestone-clay slope plot of that precise name, facing south. The grapes are sorted and fully destemmed before a 3 hours soft pneumatic pressing, 1 night in vat for natural settling, the a 1 year long natural fermenting process in French oak barrels (Baron), without any additional yeasting. Very limited production., and constant great and deserved ratings.

Tasting Notes:

"Laurent & Stephane Gouron fermented this wine in large oak barrels in their historic Tuffeau caves. The result is a smooth and beautifully ripe wine, Intense and luscious, it boasts generous yellow fruits and perfumed pears." **92 Pts** Roger Voss – Wine Enthusiast

Press Review:

Vintage 2017: "...this wine is richly dense. Wood aging has added butter and toastiness to the opulent white-fruit flavors. Beautifully rich..." R. Voss - 92 Pts Wine Enthusiast

"...array of floral notes up front, followed by baked apple, candied citrus and sage hints. Well-knit, with lively acidity providing energy & balance..." Aleks Zecevic - 90 Pts Wine Spectator, 2020