FAMILLE GUEGUEN

CHABLIS 1^{er} Cru Fourchaume

Story

The Gueguen family is based in the hamlet of Préhy, just 4 miles South-West of Chablis. Céline and Frédéric both worked for large wine estates in Chablis for 15 years before setting up their own estate in January 2013. All of their viticultural techniques aim at taking care of the environment and preserving the aromatic complexity of their wines. The 36 hectares of vines are located both in the Chablis vineyard, and in the Auxerrois vineyard a few miles from Chablis. They produce mostly Bourgogne and Chablis appellations.

Farming philosophy : Organic (certification 2023 harvest) / HVE 3 certification since 2018.

Vineyard Information

Grape varieties : 100% Chardonnay Plot Size : 0,25 ha (0,61 acres) Average age of the vines : 40-45 years West and South-West facing Elevation : 155m (500ft) Soils : Clay-limestone from the Kimmeridgian

FARMING PRACTICES

- Training method : Double Guyot
- No herbicides
- Working the soil by machine, using grubbers, hoes, tillers and harrows
- Use of organic treatments

Winemaking

- Machine harvested / Destemmed (100%)
- Pneumatic press
- Indigenous yeast
- Alcoholic and malolactic fermentation : Stainless steel tanks 15-28 days
- Aging : 10 months in stainless steel tanks / on fine lees
- Fined : Yes (Bentonite)
- Filtration : Yes
- SO2 Total : <100ppm
- Vegan : Yes

Tasting notes

Nose combines notes of apple, pear and acacia blossom. A vibrant medium-bodied wine, with a great balance and a lovely lemon and mineral finish.



Press ratings

90pts Burghound – 2022 vintage 93pts Decanter – 2021 vintage 91pts Wine Enthusiast – 2021 vintage 90-92pts Burghound – 2021 vintage

