

ROSTAING TAYARD

COTEAUX DE LYONNAIS - ULTREÏA

Story

Rostaing Tayard is based in a relatively unknown region just outside of Lyon called 'The Coteaux de Lyonnais'. It's just beyond Northern Rhone and just South of Beaujolais, sandwiched between the two regions. The influence of Beaujolais can be felt here with grape varieties like Gamay and Chardonnay and there are Granitic soils with blue stones which you also find in some of the top Beaujolais crus. Emmanuel trained in Beaune and spent his early career at one of the most celebrated wineries in Burgundy, Domaine Lafarge, he has also worked at Burn Cottage in New Zealand, both specialists in Biodynamic viticulture. He brings a wealth of knowledge and experience back to his hometown (Savigny) where he is deeply passionate about saving the historic vineyards of his area and bringing this relatively unknown region to the attention of the wine world.

Farming Practice : Organic and Demeter Biodynamic conversion

Ultreïa: Latin for "Further, Beyond"

Vineyard Information

Grape varieties : 100% Gamay

Plot size : 4 ha (9.88 acres)

Average age of the vines : 50 years old

Exposition : East

Elevation : 550 to 750m (1804-2460 ft)

Soils : Volcanic, metamorphic rock (a type of granite)

FARMING PRACTICES

- Training method : Guyot simple & Guyot Poussard
- Green harvest during seasons of draught
- Biodynamics treatments made with local plants from an herbalist: herbal teas & decoctions (horsetail & nettle), valerien to destress the vines
- Covered crops between each row

Winemaking

- Hand harvested/ sorting starting by hand and the
- 8 people at sorting table to select best quality of grapes
- 80-95% whole cluster, depending on vintage
- Horizontal press: light press over longer periods of time
- Yeast : Indigenous
- Maceration : 12 days, 1 pump over per day
- Fermentation : Malolactic 12 days in stainless steel tanks at 25°C
- No SO2 added during vinification
- Aging : 500 & 600L French Oak barrels (demi muids), 4/5 years old
- Fined : No
- Filtration : None
- SO2 Total : <18ppm
- Vegan : Certification in process

Tasting notes

Beautiful deep red color, lively and radiant. Subtle and complex bouquet of blackcurrant, raspberry, pepper and licorice. Fine mouthfeel with melting tannins, juicy acidity and good length. Harmonious red fruit, black pepper and licorice spice flavors.

