



2017 Savigny les Beaune 1er Cru Les Lavières

Chandon de Briailles

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Located in the village of Savigny les Beaune, Domaine Chandon de Briailles has been in the same family since 1834. It belongs to the Count and Countess Aymard-Claude de Nicolay and heir children. François de Nicolay and his sister Claude de Nicolay are currently responsible for running the 34 acres biodynamic Estate (organic since 1995, biodynamic since 2005) spread across the appellations of Savigny, Pernand and Aloxe. They are the largest landholder of Ile-des-Vergelesses, and the only domaine to grow both chardonnay and pinot noir there. Annual production is approx. 50,000 allocated bottles. Domaine Chandon de Briailles is part of the association of Les Domaines Familiaux de Tradition; 28 of the most prestigious domaines in Burgundy.

100% old vine pinot noir (planted in 1954) - 13.5% alc.

South/southeast facing terroir, mid-slope and predominantly limestone (Lavières comes from the word 'lave' which refers to the flat limestone slabs found in the soil and locally used to cover the roofs). The name gives you a clue as to the nature of the soil which is very rocky, with only 30cm of topsoil - today ploughed by horse - quickly giving way to the mother rock of fragmented limestone.

"Vibrant, spicy, rose petal and violet bouquet that is even more intense than the Aux Fournaux. The chalk/limestone terroir really shows through here. The palate is medium-bodied with supple tannin. It does not quite have the charm and crystalline quality of the Aux Fournaux, but is more masculine and structured, with a lovely marine element tincturing the dark berry fruit toward the chalky finish. Excellent"

92 points Vinous

