

Blanc Moelleux 'Le Petit Paon', Domaines Des Baumard

Loire Valley, France



Product code	BM09ZZWC
Grapes	Chenin Blanc
Country	FRANCE
ABV%	13
Case Size	12
Closure Style	Cork
Producer	Domaine des Baumard
Vintage	2014

Baumard

Producer

An estate in the Baumard family since the 17th century, the wines only really came to the fore under the stewardship of Jean Baumard, professor of viticulture and oenology, who from the mid-1950s brought a dynamic and scientific edge to the grape growing and wine production. Jean, after purchasing land in Savennières became the first vigneron of the region to own land on both sides of the Loire River. In the late 1980s, Jean's son, Florent, took over the 40 hectare property after his studies in Burgundy and set about adding a certain flair to the wines, building upon Jean's precision. Unoaked Chenin Blanc wines are the focus of the domaine whether they be dry (Savennières), sweet (Coteaux du Layon and Quarts de Chaume) or sparkling. They have incredible ageing potential of several decades.

Tasting Notes

Chenin Blanc. Elegant, soft, fresh and radiant.

Viticulture

Made from grapes grown within the 6 hectares of Coteaux du Layon vineyards owned by Domaine des Baumard. Planted with 100% Chenin Blanc the vineyardss rows are alternately ploughed and grassed. This helps to maintain the soil's microscopic fauna and humus potential and avoids soil compression from the use of heavy machinery, such as tractors, in the vineyard. High training wires (over two metres) maximise leaf surface-area and avoid the need for topping during the vegetative time. Harvesting is done by hand with several selections in the same parcel during the harvest to ensure optimum grape ripeness.