

Domaine René Leclerc AOC Gevrey Chambertin

A very prestigious name in Gevrey Chambertin! Domaine René Leclerc is a family farm of 24 acres since 1962 succeeding René Bernollin. Ibeir philosophy is to make wines with the same passion for different terroirs that are not technical. René and his son, François emphasize the fruit component by pressing the grape (old 1952 press) for only 3 hours to avoid bitter tannins and utilize used barrels only. Too much oak, Rene says, dries out a wine and makes it less pleasurable.

For the Leclerc family, this is art, not simply a scientific recipe. These are traditional wines of uncompromising quality. Today, they are one of the best known and most highly respected craftsmen in Burgundy.



COUNTRY France

VARIETAL 90% Merlot, 10% Cabernet Franc

SOIL TYPE

Beautiful soil with limestone gravel, fine clay.

VINEYARD

This single vineyard provides grapes with full maturity. Sustainable farming.

HARVEST

Hand harvested, sorted and de-stemmed grapes one by one.

VINIFICATION

Cold fermentation for 13 to 15 days with two push down per day. The wines remain in vats for about 6 months and then aged 1 year in neutral oak barrels to not hide the authenticity of Pinot Noir, the terroir and the vintage. But oak aging is still important for micro-oxygenation. Not fining or filtration.

TASTING NOTES

Very elegant nose of black cherry, violet and wall flower with a subtle hint of liquorice and cloves. A slender body with very well integrated tannins. Pleasurable wine and an excellent introduction to Gevrey-Chambertin.

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