DOMAINE LA CLEF DU RECIT

SANCERRE

Story

La Clef du Récit is situated in Vinon, 7 km south of Sancerre. The Estate was taken over in 2012 by Anthony Girard, a dynamic young winemaker, after having the opportunity to purchase an 8.5 hectares of first class vineyards nearby the small village of Récy (hence the name) in the southern part of the appellation.

Today, the estate covers 16 hectares and produces Sancerre, Menetou-Salon and Quincy appellations, in the respect of the vine and the soils to find the balance reflecting the local terroir.

Farming philosophy: Sustainable (HVE 3)

Vineyard Information

Grape varieties : 100% Sauvignon Plot Size : 10.8 ha (26.7acres)

Average age of the vines: 40 years Elevation: 250-300m (820-985 ft)

Soils: 60% clay-limestone, 20% kimmeridgian and 20% flint

FARMING PRACTICES

- Training method: Guyot simple
- Control the harvest potential according to the size and the soils
- Depending on the vintage: covered crops or in-row tillage
- Organic fertilization
- No herbicide

Winemaking

- Mechanical harvest / Destemmed (100%)
- · Yeast: Indigenous and selected
- Fermentation in temperature-controlled stainless steel tanks / 15-21 days at 60,8°F
- Pneumatic press
- Aging: 6 months in stainless steel tank / on fine lees with bâtonage
- Fined : Yes (Bentonite)
- Filtration : YesVegan : Yes

Tasting notes

Fresh and tightly structured, this wine has intense, ripe fruitiness as well as more open white-fruit flavors. Its tight texture and tangy crispness need a few months to soften.



Press ratings

90 pts Wine Enthusiast – Vintage 2020 90 pts Wine Enthusiast – Vintage 2019

