

ESPRIT LEFLAIVE







WINERY

The roots of the Leflaive family go back to 1717 when Claude Leflaive took up residence in Puligny-Montrachet, intent upon cultivating several acres of vineyards. The domaine, in its present form, was created by Joseph Leflaive between the years of 1910-1930, as a result of his successive purchases of vineyards and houses. Domaine Leflaive has been entirely a family domaine since its creation. Brice de La Morandière, great-grandson of the founder, Joseph Leflaive, represents the fourth generation at the head of the domaine. In 2015, after an international corporate career, he succeeded Anne-Claude, pioneer in biodynamics. It is with the same philosophy of respect for thegreat terroirs, humility toward the forces of nature and relentless pursuit of excellence in viticulture and in winemaking that the domaine will continue to grow in the future.

WINE

A selection of unique wines, Esprit Leflaive was born in the 2018 vintage. At the crossroads of fabulous terroirs from Burgundy and an expertise in Chardonnay and Pinot Noir, Esprit Leflaive ventures beyond the Côte de Beaune and the Mâconnais, to Chablis and the Côte de Nuits, to explore the wider Burgundy.

VINEYARDS

A new addition to the Esprit range in the 2020 vintage, this

is a much less well-known than the Premier cru in Pommard (which it neighbors) - it shows a touch more softness and less rigidity, especially in the supple 2020 vintage.

VINTAGE NOTES

The 2021 vintage faced challenging weather conditions. After a cold winter, March brought early warmth that triggered bud development, followed by damaging frost. Cool, wet conditions persisted through spring and summer, with brief heat waves. Late August sunshine helped grapes mature before September harvest. Despite the difficult season, final maturity was promising for a quality vintage.

WINEMAKING

Manual harvesting with partial whole bunch vinification, and long maceration in wooden vats with some manual punching down. Aged 15 months in oak barrels (including 25% in new barrels) then 3 months in stainless steel vats.

TASTING NOTES

Wine of a beautiful scarlet red. The nose presents beautiful notes of red fruits. The palate is mineral and structured but without astringency.

VINEYARD

Region: Bourgogne

Côte de Beaune Sub-region:

Beaune, Premier Cru, AOC Appellation:

Climat: Les Épenottes

Soil: Limestone scree (rocky)

Age: Planted 1975

Vineyard Area: 0.21 ha

Certifications: Organic, Ecocert 2018

WINEMAKING

Varietals: 100% Pinot Noir

Manual Harvest:

15 months in oak barrels (25% new oak), Aging:

then 3 months in stainless steel vats

TECHNICAL DETAILS

Yeast: Native

Alcohol: 13%