



DOMAINES LEFLAIVE



2021 MÂCON-VERZÉ “LES CHÊNES”

WINERY

Domaines Leflaive represents an extension of Domaine Leflaive in the Mâconnais region to explore the family's extensive vineyard holdings which are either owned or leased long term through the family's close knit relationships in the region. The vineyards are all certified Organic and Biodynamic, and the family directly handles all work in the vineyards, harvest, as well as the wines vinification in the Domains cellar in Puligny-Montrachet.

WINE

From two distinct parcels (one of which was planted in 1935), this is a terroir that transmits beautiful balance, intensity, and elegance all in one. A climat worthy of its growing pedigree and absolutely delicious in the practiced custody of Domaines Leflaive.

VINEYARDS

Clay-limestone terroir with little depth before reaching the bedrock. Gentle to very steep slopes. Surface area: 3.43 ha located in the heart of the Verzé valley, “Les Chênes” comprises two south-west-facing parcels.

VINTAGE NOTES

Marked by frost and humidity, this year proved to be particularly difficult for the vines. With premature advances in the vineyards in March due to warm spring-like temperatures, the losses from early April frosts proved to be quite extreme (30%-80% in some vineyards). June offered an alternation of stormy periods and heat, including an episode of hail on the 21st in Solutré. The pressure from mildew and powdery mildew was a constant this year, with a rainy period in July, requiring expert intervention from our vineyard teams. In August and September, we observed a significant rise in temperatures which allowed for the maturity of the grapes to catch up. Harvest began on September 22nd for a period of 8 days, before the rain returned.

WINEMAKING

After 10 months' ageing on lees in fermentation containers, the wine is racked into stainless steel tanks and aged on fine lees for 6 months.

TASTING NOTES

“Nicely framed with toasty oak and pastry accents, this rich white exhibits peach, apple tart and grapefruit flavors. An underlying mineral element emerges as this plays out on the finish.” — *Bruce Sanderson*

VINEYARD

Region:	Bourgogne
Sub-Region:	Mâconnais
Appellation:	Mâcon-Verzé, AOC
Vineyard:	Les Chênes
Plot:	3.43 ha
Soil:	Shallow calcareous clay
Vine Age:	Planted in 1935, 1973, 2022
Certifications:	Organic - Ecocert 1992; Biodynamic - Biodyvin 1998

WINEMAKING

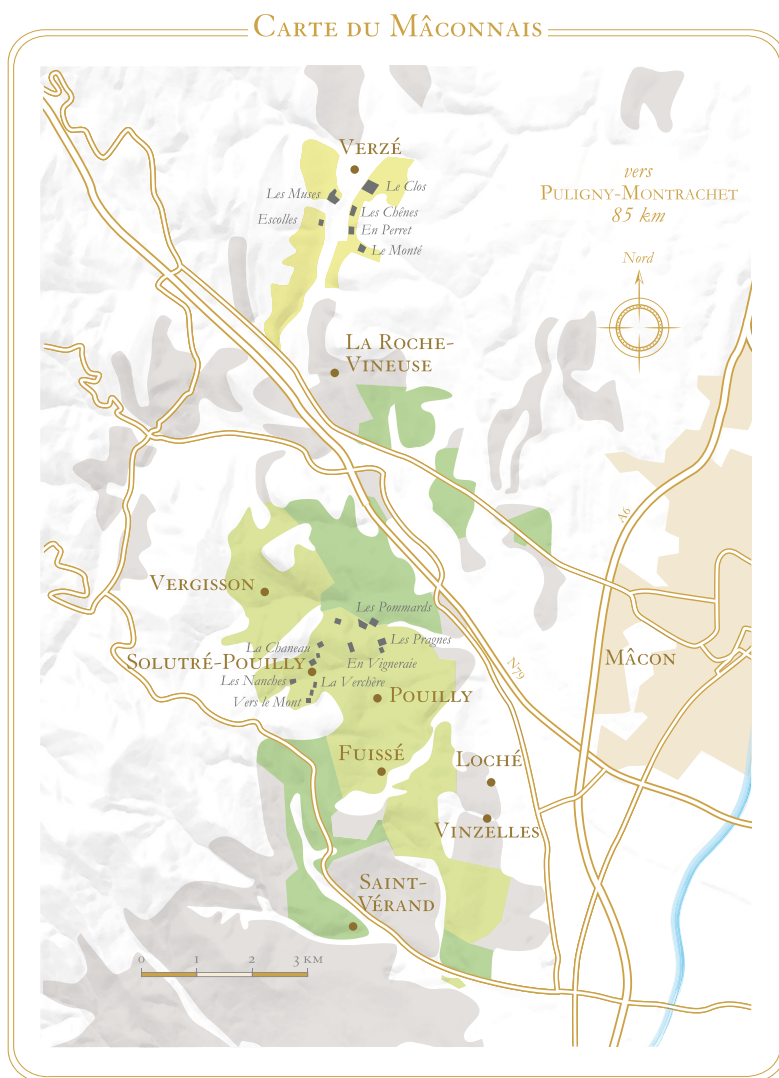
Varietals:	100% Chardonnay
Aging:	12 months in oak (20% new then 6 months in stainless steel vat before bottling)

TECHNICAL DETAILS

Alcohol:	13%
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MÂCON-VERZÉ
16,72 HA

Le Clos
Les Muses
Les Chênes
Le Monté
Escolles
En Perret

POUILLY-FUISSÉ
2,63 HA

Les Nanches
Les Pragnes
Vers le Mont
En Vigneraie
La Chaneau

MÂCON-SOLUTRÉ
0,22 HA

La Verchère

SAINT-VÉRAN
0,41 HA

Les Pommards

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