



ESPRIT LEFLAIVE

2022 BEAUNE PREMIER CRU, LES EPENOTTES



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 the great 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

Les Epenottes is a highly regarded, small Premier Cru vineyard situated on a deep slope adjacent to the famed Pommard Epenots vineyard, sharing a similar terroir, but with a softer, more approachable profile.

VINTAGE NOTES

The 2022 vintage exceeded expectations for Burgundy vinegrowers in both quantity and quality. Despite a hot summer, the vines adapted well, leading to optimism for the harvest. After warm weather and two heat waves in July and early August, conditions improved with light rains after August 14. We began harvesting on August 25, which allowed for a quicker harvest and longer pressings to enhance must quality.

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
Sub-region:	Côte de Beaune
Appellation:	Beaune, Premier Cru, AOC
Climat:	Les Épenottes
Soil:	Limestone scree (rocky)
Age:	Planted 1975
Vineyard Area:	0.21 ha
Certifications:	Organic, Ecocert 2018

WINEMAKING

Varietals:	100% Pinot Noir
Harvest:	Manual
Aging:	15 months in oak barrels (25% new oak), then 3 months in stainless steel vats

TECHNICAL DETAILS

Yeast:	Native
Alcohol:	12.5%