



# CHÂTEAU DE LA CHAIZE

FLEURIE "LA CHAPELLE DES BOIS" 2020

## BACKGROUND

Château de La Chaize is among the oldest, most historic estates in Burgundy's Beaujolais region. Cared for by the same family for nearly three and a half centuries, the estate has been passed on to new owners, the Gruy family, who are equally committed to managing the estate with the utmost care, while implementing an ambitious environmental plan. Among the many initiatives is the conversion of all vineyards to organic farming, the adoption of precision viticulture, reducing carbon their carbon footprint, and recycling every by-product from viti- and vinicultural activity, to achieve zero waste.

## APPELLATION

Fleurie Cru AOC, France

## VARIETAL COMPOSITION

100% Gamay Noir

## TERROIR & VINTAGE NOTES

Fleurie lies in the center of Beaujolais' Crus and is known for its typically light, floral characteristics, which is why the Fleurie is often deemed "The Queen of Beaujolais."

Vineyards sit on the western side of the Beaujolais hills, on south and southeast facing slopes. Many Fleurie vineyards are planted on pink granite soil, but there is a lot of variation in textures and additional soil components, offering wide diversity in Fleurie wines.

The vineyard site "La Chapelle des Bois" (24 Ha/59.30 ac) is considered one of the best terroirs of the Fleurie appellation, located in the southwest of the eponymous village. Made up of different types of granite, the 3.2 Ha (7.91 ac) plot offers wines of great complexity and elegance.

## WINEMAKING & AGEING

Hand-harvested from a selection of different vineyard sites within Fleurie, from ~40-year-old vines. Grapes are transported from the vineyard in small, vented crates which prevents them from getting crushed and prematurely oxidizing. Fermentation takes place in stainless steel tanks using indigenous yeasts with semi-carbonic maceration, 90% Burgundian (destemmed) and 10% whole cluster. Pumping-over is practiced without punching down, to preserve the fruit and freshness of the wine.

100% of the wine is aged in foudres.

## TASTING NOTES

Ruby red with purple highlights. Beautiful balance between ripe red fruits and ethereal floral notes. A remarkable finesse, silky tannins, persistent notes of red fruits, freshness and spices.

## WINEMAKER

Boris Gruy

## TECHNICAL DATA

Total acidity: 3.62 g/L

pH: 3.42

RS: <1.3 g/L

Alcohol  
13.5%



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