DOMAINE BERTAGNA

VOUGEOT ROUGE 1ER CRU LES CRAS
2016

BACKGROUND

The historic Domaine Bertagna once belonged to the Cistercian monks, famous for founding the Clos de Vougeot in the 13th century. The estate's cellars and vineyards are located in the heart of the village nearby the Château and its ancient Chapter House. The winery has been owned by the world-renowned Reh family since 1982 and since 1988 has been managed by Eva Reh.

With 18 diverse climats across the region, comprising a total of over 42 acres, five of which are Grand Crus and seven are Premier Crus. Bertagna is among the top ranking Domaines in Burgundy. A desire for perfection and emphasis on quality, coupled with significant investments in technology and vineyard management, result in some of the region's most compelling wines. Domaine Bertagna is perhaps best known for its elegant, silky red wines, but it also produces one of the world's rarest white wines – Vougeot 1er Cru Blanc "Les Cras" from the Côtes de Nuits.

APPELLATION

Burgundy (Vougeot), France

VARIETAL COMPOSITION

100% Pinot Noir

WINEMAKING & VINTAGE NOTES

The vineyards are hard and white limestone soils with some mineral clay located just north of Clos de Vougeot Grand Cru.

Rigorous pruning in the spring is followed by green harvest at veraison to limit yields. After sorting during the hand harvests, the grapes are sorted again at the winery before a whole cluster pneumatic pressing. The lees settle out, and the wine is drained directly into oak barrels (25% new) for alcoholic and malolactic fermentations.

AGEING

The wine is aged for 15-18 months in french oak barrels (50% new oak) before bottling.

TASTING NOTES

Minty aromas move toward hints of liquorice and underwood. On the palate, this is strong and racy, very structured wine with firm tannins, leading to a delicate and lingering finish.

WINEMAKER
Eva Reh

TECHNICAL DATA
Alcohol
13.5%

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THE REGION'S MOST
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SELECTIONS