

Winemaker: Yann Bertrand

Region: Beaujolais

Location: Fleurie



Julié纳斯 ...100%

GUY, ANNICK ET YANN BERTRAND

Appellation: AOC Julié纳斯

Varietals: 100% Gamay Noir

Age of the vines: 45 years old

Farming: Organic

Vinification: As part of the "Grapes from our Friends" series, grapes from this vineyard are purchased "on the vine" - hand harvested by our team and rigorously sorted at the vineyard into 300kg bins. Yields are managed to achieve the ripest and healthiest harvest possible. Fermentation is performed through cold carbonic maceration for 14 to 18 days without use of sulfites and with indigenous yeast. Aged in 225 liter used barrels for 8 months. Racked and bottled at the property without filtration and according to the cycle of the moon.

Vineyard/Terroir: 1 hectare parcel from "La Rizière" made of "white earth", a substrate of sedimentary clay and marl. Certified organic, bush trained vines. Native cover crops are tilled into the soil in alternating rows.. A blend of plant material is used for vine treatments.

About the winemaker: Growing up in Fleurie, Yann Bertrand never thought he would become a winemaker. After attending university he traveled around the French Alps for a few years. He soon found himself working at wine bars and wine shops, surrounded by passionate wine geeks and artisan winemakers who often came to deliver wine themselves. He eventually decided that the metier of a winemaker would be interesting to him if he pursued it with the same passion as the role models he encountered. Returning to the Beaujolais, Yann began to learn from the incredible circle of producers that he never knew before, including well-known people like Jean Foillard and Yvon Metras. Following two unusually small harvests, Yann created a line of négociant wines in 2016 following strict criteria that all vineyards must be plowed and farmed without any chemical pesticides or fertilizers. The grapes are always purchased "sur pied" and harvested by Yann and his team, and vinification is done with native yeasts. Elevage and bottling take place at the domaine, just as with every other wine produced at the estate.

