

Winemaker: Philippe Mesnier

Region: Loire

Location: Azay le Rideaux



Les Pentes

PHILIPPE MESNIER



Appellation: Vin de France

Varietals: 100% Cabernet Franc

Vinification:

Natural yeast fermentation in concrete tanks, harvested at full maturity - short maceration of 4 days to preserve the richness of the fruit as well as the freshness.

Vineyard/Terroir: lieu-dit Hauts-Baigneux (Cheillé), Vallères. 1975 - 2017, Clay with limestone bedrock.

Elevage: Stainless steel tanks.

About the winemaker:

In 2013, longtime friends Nicolas Grosbois and Philippe Mesnier purchased 12 hectares of vines in Azay-le-Rideau, an excellent though relatively unknown terroir located a few kilometers east of Chinon. They immediately began farming all of the vines organically and set about on an ambitious project to reintroduce the wines

of Azay-le-Rideau. Traditionally, Azay-le-Rideau is famous for white wines made from Chenin Blanc, and rosé wines made from Grolleau and Gamay. The wines of Domaine des Hauts Baigneux are all organically farmed, produced with natural yeast, and vinified with minimal intervention.