



Valentin Morel Côtes du Jura Chardonnay Trouillots 2018

The Trouillots vineyard was planted by Valentin's father in the early 1980s. The terroir is a blend of red and gray marl with limestone bedrock. Facing due south with a dominant view over the tiled roofs of Poligny, Les Trouillots is the heart of the domaine. Valentin typically makes five different wines from this terroir each year - a separate cuvée for each of the five grape varieties.

Naturally made and aged in used barrels, the Chardonnay is a richly textured, classically Jurassic *vin nature*.

Technical Information

VARIETAL: Chardonnay	COUNTRY: France
TYPE: White Wine	APPELLATION: Cotes du Jura
RESIDUAL SUGAR:	ALC:
SO2 TOTAL: <20 mg/L	PRODUCTION:
VEGAN: Yes	UPC:

Viticulture

FARMING: Organic Certified, Biodynamic Practices	SOIL TYPE: Gray marl, limestone syphrates
VINEYARD: Les Trouillots	PRUNING:
VINE AGE: 1980	EXPOSITION: South exposition
VINEYARD SIZE: 2.8 ha (60 ares chardonnay)	ALTITUDE: 350m

Vinification and Elevage

VINIFICATION: Direct pressurage, starting fermentation in steel tanks and then in used barrels

ELEVAGE: Aging during 12months in barrel.

SO2 USE: 1g at press

FINING & FILTERING: Bottling without filtration and sulfites addition.

About Valentin Morel - Les Pieds sur Terre

Just a few years after earning a masters degree in international law, Valentin Morel decided he would prefer making wines inspired by his readings of biodynamic visionary Rudolph Steiner, the radical Japanese farmer Masanobu Fukuoka, and the American champion of validated manual labor Matthew B. Crawford. Valentin studied winemaking in Alsace, where he was introduced and influenced by natural winemakers like Pierre Frick and Bruno Schueller, and returned to take over the family domaine in 2014. The entire domaine is certified organic, but farmed "beyond organically" with cover crops and complementary plants like radishes and bean interspersed between rows of vines which are rolled down rather than plowed each year to ensure a healthy soil conservation. All the vineyards are hand harvested, and vinified with native yeast and the absolute minimal addition of SO2 (many cuvées have none at all). Nothing else is used, as Valentin believes wine should be simply fermented grape juice and nothing else, and his wines must be considered as natural wines.

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