**Winemaker:** Valentin Morel **Region:** Jura **Location:** Poligny



# Trousseau «Les Trouillots»

LES PIEDS SUR TERRE




**Appellation:** Côtes du Jura

**Farming:** Organic Certified

**Variety:** 100% Trousseau

**Vineyard:** Situated on a south-facing hill towards the north of Poligny, this 2.6 ha parcel sits on red and grey marls from the lower Jurassic at its foot, then clay-limestone on the limestone bedrock going upwards, and fine clay from degraded limestone at the very top.

**Vinification and Ageing:** 15 days of whole-cluster maceration. Aged in stainless steel tanks before being bottled unfined, unfiltered and without any added sulfites.

**About the winemaker:**

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 beans 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.