

# DOMAINE CHANSON

Founded in 1750, Domaine Chanson is 1 of only 6 producers in the region still remaining from the 18th century and earlier.



## Meursault 2016

Meursault, Burgundy, France

### ESTATE

Chanson has extensive holdings of over 111 acres of exclusively Premier and Grand Cru vineyards in the heart of Burgundy. Both the estate holdings and contracted grower vineyards are 100% hand harvested by the Chanson team to tightly control picking time and grape selection. Chanson is obsessed with maintaining a consistent quality level across the entire range. The regional and village wines are produced with the same precision and care as the Premier and Grand Crus.

### VINEYARD

Chanson's Meursault is a village wine with Premier Cru standards, elegance, refinement, minerality and freshness. It's a pure white wine which is well-balanced with fantastic acidity. It should be enjoyed with foie gras, grilled fish, white meat and strong cheeses.

*Grape Variety:* 100% Chardonnay

*Soil:* Clay and limestone

### WINEMAKING

Respecting the vine at every stage of its development allows an expression of each terroir as precise as possible. Whether through ploughing, short pruning, de-budding, plot selection or yields control, every effort is made to extract the best of the vine. This particular care in the vineyard also takes place during the manual harvest where grapes are picked at full ripeness, then sorted. Chanson also strives to maximize the preservation of fresh fruit characteristics, which is why grapes are chilled immediately on arrival in a proprietary tunnel that provides a very quick chill with no oxygen exposure. At the cellar, white grapes are softly pressed out to obtain the best juice as possible. Both Pinot Noir and Chardonnay are aged in oak barrels in the purest tradition.

### VINTAGE

After a cool winter and a frost episode in April, the weather at the end of spring was warmer but rainy which engendered a late flowering and Millerandage (small size berries). The summer was warm and dry. The harvest took place mid september under a bright sunshine. The white wines of the Mâconnais are precise and well-balanced with a well-shaped minerality. After a mild pressing, this wine was vinified and aged for 12 months in oak casks.

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## Wine Spectator

*"This Meursault delivers an enticing mix of floral, mineral and peach flavors, backed by fine balance and a lively structure. Retains the tension and energy to stay long and satisfying."* - BRUCE SANDERSON, 6/2020