

DOMAINE CHANSON

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



Chablis 2017

Chablis, 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.

WINE

Chablis is known for producing steely, crisp wines with intense green-apple acidity and a firm, mineral backbone. This wine is ideal with pate, poultry, lobster and goat cheese.

VINEYARD

The village of Chablis is located in the northernmost district of Burgundy. Domaine Chanson makes a plot-based selection on hills ideally located in south of the village of Chablis.

Grape Variety: 100% Chardonnay

Soil: Limestone

WINEMAKING

The wine is for the most part left alone, as the philosophy is one of "infusion rather than construction." The wine is vinified 100% whole cluster to extract a deeper color and enhance the structure and aromatic complexity. 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. Then, Champagne-style fractional pressing is practiced to gently extract the purest juice. Oak is used conservatively, with no more than 20% for the whites.

VINTAGE

Climate: After a classic winter, spring settled down with warm temperatures but a cool weather in April slackened down the evolution of the vines. May was rainy and was followed by a warm summer with heat waves. However, a few thunderstorm episodes brought enough rain to allow the maturation of the grapes to continue.

Vineyard Work: The harvest started early September with an excellent sanitary level of the grapes. The white wines are precise and well-balanced with a very pure expression of the fruit.

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Wine Spectator

"Bright apple, white peach, floral and seashore aromas and flavors mark this sleek white. Well-integrated, with the vibrant structure defining the crisp finish." -B.S. 9/2020

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