

(Left) The caves of Langlois-Chateau (Right) The Fontaine-Audon vineyard of Sancerre features one of the few true "Château" of the region



Château de Fontaine-Audon Sancerre 2018

Loire Valley, France

ESTATE

Langlois-Chateau has a rich history as one of the leading producers in the Loire Valley. Over 60% of their production is devoted to their world class Crémants but their Sancerres are also highly regarded as benchmarks for the appellation.

WINE

100% Sauvignon Blanc from the estate's most treasured single-vineyard in Sancerre in St. Gemme to the northwest of the Appellation. The vines are grown entirely on a silex (flint) terroir, which gives the wine a mineral flavor

VINEYARD

certification.

Langlois-Chateau owns and manages 175 acres of the best AOC vineyards in the Loire Valley. The crown jewel of Langlois-Chateau's Sancerre holdings is the 37-acre vineyard at Château de Fontaine-Audon. *Soils:* The vines are grown entirely on a silex (flint) terroir, which gives the wine a mineral flavor. *Farming:* The winery maintains a sustainable approach to vineyard management and holds the "Terra Vitis"

WINEMAKING

Variety: 100% Sauvignon Blanc

Fermentation: Grapes are hand and machine harvested before being pressed gently with pneumatic presses. Fermentation takes place in thermoregulated stainless steel tanks.

Aging: The wine is aged on its lees for 6 months until bottling in April.

Alcohol: 12.5%

TASTING NOTE

Very expressive nose of ripe fruits, with exotic fruits like mango. Very balanced and minerally on the palate, with a brisk acidity, bringing freshness.



JEB DUNNUCK

"The 2018 Sancerre Château de Fontaine-Audon is a charming, nicely balanced, medium-bodied effort offering pretty white peach and citrus fruits as well as some classic Loire sappy herb and minerality, nicely integrated yet racy acidity and a clean, crisp finish. Drink this impeccably made, versatile Sancerre over the coming 2-4 years." -3/2020, Jeb Dunnuck