

DOMAINE CHANSON

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



Gevrey-Chambertin 2018

Gevrey-Chambertin, 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

Gevrey-Chambertin is one of the major communes in the Côte de Nuits and is located in the northern part of the appellation. This is a "coup de coeur" wine, meaning it touches your heart with its charming style and powerful aromas and flavors.

VINEYARD

Fruit is sourced from 4 contracted growers from mid-slope vineyards bordering prestigious Premier Crus, including the Lavaux St Jacques Premier Cru vineyard. As with all its grower relationships, Chanson harvests all fruit with its own team in order to maximize control over fruit quality and picking times.

Soils: Clay and 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 30% for the reds.

Variety: 100% Pinot Noir

VINTAGE

After a rainy winter, a heat wave in April followed by a cold period in May, the weather settled down in Burgundy with warm temperatures in June. Summer was warm and dry. It was punctuated by several heat waves which engendered a lack of water, compensated by the presence of clay in many plots. The harvest started in the last days of August with an excellent maturity of the grapes. The red wines are crunchy, deep and dense with an outstanding aromatic complexity.

TASTING NOTE

"Dark ruby colour. Delicate floral fragrances (violet) mixed with red berries and plum aromas on a hint of vanilla. Well-balanced and complex. Dense and velvety texture. Well-integrated tannins. Long aftertaste."

- Jean-Pierre Confuron