



## DOMAINE DE NOIRÉ

### Chinon Rouge 'Caractère'

*Sun-ripe and smooth as silk: the most satisfying and serious wines from Touraine hail from the cellars of Domaine de Noiré in Chinon. Winemaker Jean-Max Manceau, a Chinon native, has long been a champion of the region's terroir and his own wines set a higher standard for the qualitative levels that Chinon can achieve. What sets Noiré apart is not only its impeccable terroir but also its fierce dedication to sustainable winemaking, having been certified organic for years. Manceau's wines strike a balance between playful and profound—delicate perfumes reveal a multilayered mouthful of summer-ripe fruit and spice with each sip.*



**WINERY:** Domaine de Noiré

**WINEMAKER:** Jean-Max Manceau

**ESTABLISHED:** 2001

**REGION:** FRANCE • Loire Valley • Chinon

**APPELLATION:** Chinon AOC

**BLEND:** 100% Cabernet Franc

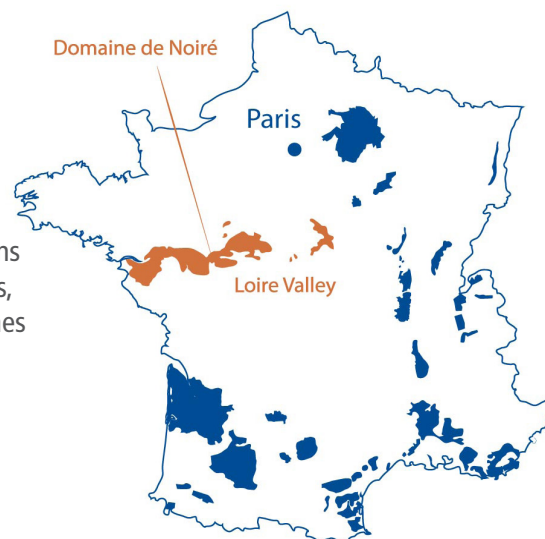
**VINEYARDS:** Estate vineyards, facing south, are located between the towns of Chinon and Cravant on a series of gravel terraces with clay-rich subsoils, which helps prevent hydric stress in dryer years. This selection of older vines comes from a section with pure limestone subsoils.

**AGE OF VINES:** 45 to 70 years

**WINEMAKING:** Hand-harvested. Grapes cold macerate for 48 hours in temperature-controlled, stainless steel tanks. Fermented on indigenous yeasts. Aged in 400-liter, older French oak barrels for 13 months.

**TASTING IMPRESSIONS:** Aromas of ripe raspberry, dark cherries, baking spices, toast, cocoa powder. Structured yet supple, with grippy tannins.

**PAIRING SUGGESTIONS:** Roasted pork with stone fruits; grilled chicken with herbs



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