



## DOMAINE DE NOIRÉ

### Chinon Rouge 'Dolia'

*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 lieu-dit 'Noiré' faces full south and is one of the estate's most valued vineyards for Cabernet Franc. Soils are pure "tuffeau," the classic chalky, fine-grained limestone of the Loire Valley.

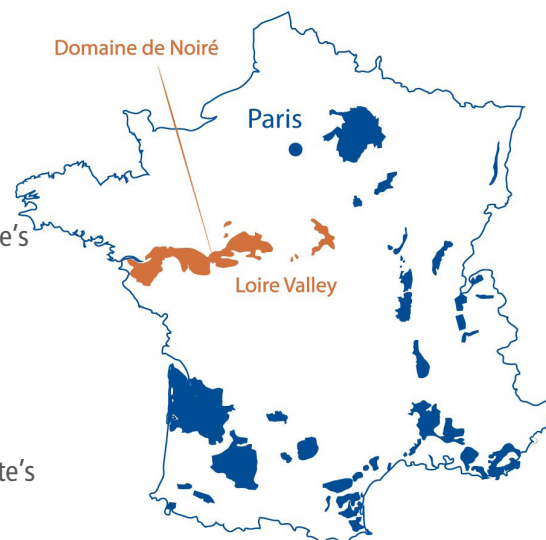
**AGE OF VINES:** 45 to 70 years

**WINEMAKING:** Hand-harvested. Whole-berry fermentation in terracotta amphorae on indigenous yeasts and at low temperatures for 30-40 days. Aged in amphorae on fine lees for one year, in the coldest part of the estate's cellars, carved into the regional "tuffeau" rock.

**TASTING IMPRESSIONS:** Aromas of raspberry, dark cherries, spring purple flowers. Silky tannins, richly textured; fresh and balanced.

**PAIRING SUGGESTIONS:** Roasted pork with stone fruits; duck breast

**NOTES:** A "dolia" is the Latin name for a terracotta amphora that's specifically made for wine; often up to 3,000L in volume, and tulip-shaped



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