



DOMAINE ETIENNE DELARCHE

Pernand-Vergelesse Blanc

'Les Combottes'

It's easy to miss the petite hamlet of Pernand-Vergelesse, hiding behind bulk of the noble Corton hill. Yet this Côte de Beaune village, with its impeccable vineyards, is a treasure trove of refined Burgundy wines. For more than three generations, the Delarche family has crafted authentic, earthy and expressive Burgundy in Pernand, much under the radar of the Burgundy cognoscenti. Yet Delarche Burgundy offers a clarity and purity of flavor that is captivating; whites are creamy and concentrated, taking a cue from Corton-Charlemagne, while reds are spicy and refined, seductive from the moment they're bottled yet able to age effortlessly for years.

WINERY: Domaine Etienne Delarche

WINEMAKER: Etienne Delarche

ESTABLISHED: 1940s

REGION: FRANCE • Burgundy • Côte de Beaune • Pernand-Vergelesse

APPELLATION: Pernand-Vergelesse AOC

BLEND: 100% Chardonnay

VINEYARDS: The 'Combottes' vineyard faces east and sits high up on the slope, between 750 and 900 feet. Soils combine clay and limestone marl.

AGE OF VINES: 30+ years

WINEMAKING: Hand-harvested. Destemmed and pressed; fermented on indigenous yeasts in French oak barrels. Aged in older French barrels for one year. Bottled unfiltered and unfiltered.

TASTING IMPRESSIONS: Aromas of light spice, crushed stones, lemon zest. Light on the tongue; flavors of apples, lemons and a peppery finish.

PAIRING SUGGESTIONS: Salads; shellfish such as oysters or clams; tangy, fresh French cheese



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