

## **DOMAINE DE NOIRÉ**Chinon Rouge 'Soif de Tendresse'

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 on a high-altitude plateau near Chinon, rich in flint stones. These dark stones absorb the heat of the day to release it slowly overnight, helping grapes ripen fully.

**AGE OF VINES:** 35 to 50 years

**WINEMAKING:** Hand-harvested. Grapes macerate for 48 hours at low temperatures in stainless steel tanks. Fermented on indigenous yeasts at controlled temperatures and aged in tank. Bottled in early spring.

**TASTING IMPRESSIONS:** Aromas of ripe red fruits, light baking spices.

Fruity, smooth and tangy; impeccable fruit/acid balance.

**PAIRING SUGGESTIONS:** As an aperitif with dried salami or other appetizers; salads; fresh French cheeses; grilled chicken with fresh herbs

**NOTES:** In French, the wine's name means "thirst for tenderness." Stylistically, the wine is made for early pleasure, to enjoy slightly chilled in summer.

