



DOMAINE PASTOU

Sancerre Rouge

The petite village of Sury-en-Vaux, north of the legendary Sancerre vineyard 'Monts Damnés,' is where you'll find this extraordinary source of character-rich wines from the Loire Valley. The family Pastou maintains excellent flint-rich vineyards in Sancerre as well as a superb perch in Pouilly-sur-Loire for their expressive Pouilly-Fumé. The theme that runs through all the domaine's wines is freshness: here, you can't be but floored by the energy of native grapes from these remarkable terroirs. Pastou wines each vintage are a must: light in alcohol, pure in flavor and a great pair with just about anything you put on the table.

WINERY: Domaine Pastou

WINEMAKER: Jean-Marc Pastou

ESTABLISHED: 1980

REGION: FRANCE • Loire Valley • Sury-en-Vaux

APPELLATION: Sancerre AOC

BLEND: 100% Pinot Noir

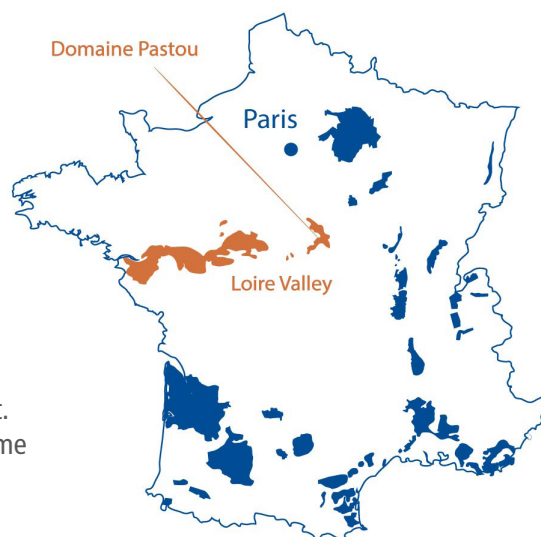
VINEYARDS: Estate vineyards (under four acres of Pinot Noir) are located near the town of Sury-en-Vaux, north of Chavignol, facing south/southeast. Soils are called "terres blanches," a mineral mix of chalk and clay, with some pockets of flint.

AGE OF VINES: 30 years, average

WINEMAKING: Hand-harvested. Fermented and aged in temperature-controlled, stainless steel tanks on fine lees. Bottled unfiltered and unfiltered.

TASTING IMPRESSIONS: Aromas of red fruits, light pepper, red plums, purple flowers. Bright, juicy; great balance, light spice.

PAIRING SUGGESTIONS: Charcuterie; fresh French cheeses; pork sausages with herbs; grilled chicken



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