

## DOMAINE PHILIPPE GAVIGNET Bourgogne Hautes-Côtes de Nuits 'La Montagne'

The style of Gavignet Burgundy "brings back" the profound elegance of Pinot Noir to Nuits-Saint-Georges, an appellation often known for more structured, meaty wines. Gavignet wines are solid proof that Nuits has the terroir to produce elegant Burgundy but that it requires a conscientious winemaker such as Philippe to craft it. What first attracted us to this now fifth-generation estate nearly more than 20 years ago was the impressive pedigree of Gavignet's vineyards in Nuits. What you'll discover with his selections are some of Nuits' most expressive, very-old-vine terroirs, with vines planted as far back as the 1920s.

**WINERY:** Domaine Philippe Gavignet **WINEMAKER:** Philippe Gavignet

ESTABLISHED: 1930s

**REGION:** FRANCE • Burgundy • Nuits-Saint-Georges **APPELLATION:** Bourgogne Hautes-Côtes de Nuits AOC

**BLEND:** 100% Pinot Noir

**VINEYARDS:** Estate vines in 'La Montagne' sit at the summit of a hill between Nuits and Premeaux-Prissey, at some 1,140 feet in altitude. Facing east/southeast; surrounded on all sides by forestland. Soils are mostly limestone.

AGE OF VINES: 10 years, on average

**WINEMAKING:** Hand-harvested. Destemmed; cold maceration for eight days; fermented on indigenous yeasts in temperature-controlled tanks. Aged in barrel (20% new) for 12 months. Bottled unfined and unfiltered.

**TASTING IMPRESSIONS:** Aromas of red and black fruits, crushed stones,

purple flowers. Medium-bodied and juicy; fine-grained tannins.

**PAIRING SUGGESTIONS:** Pork sausages; roasted lamb with herbs

