

## DOMAINE GUY ROBIN Chablis Grand Cru 'Blanchot' Vieilles Vignes

Winemaker Marie-Ange Robin represents the fourth generation of vine growers in the family. It was her father Guy who, parcel by parcel, purchased Chablis vineyards in the 1950s; yet it is Marie-Ange who has brought the winery to a level of greatness for which it was always destined. There are few other Chablis estates with such a rich collection of older-vine rootstock, and as a result, few other estates that deliver Chablis wines of such character and complexity. Some 80 percent of the family's vines today—across five grand cru and four premier cru vineyards—are "vieilles vignes" or older vines.

WINERY: Domaine Guy Robin
WINEMAKER: Marie-Ange Robin

ESTABLISHED: 1954

**REGION:** FRANCE • Burgundy • Chablis

**APPELLATION:** Chablis AOC **BLEND:** 100% Chardonnay

**VINEYARDS:** The estate's few vines in grand cru 'Blanchot' are some of the oldest in Chablis, many more than 100 years. The vineyard sits at the southern end of Chablis' grand cru row, facing east, at the mouth of the Brechain valley, across from premier cru 'Montée de Tonnerre.' Soils are the classic Kimmeridgian chalk of Chablis.

**AGE OF VINES:** 60-100 years

**WINEMAKING:** Hand-harvested. Pressed immediately, with juice held in tank for 24 hours to settle naturally. Fermented on indigenous yeasts in French oak barrels (10% new.) Aged just under one year in barrel. Bottled unfined and unfiltered.

**TASTING IMPRESSIONS:** Aromas of sauteed lemons, crushed oyster shells, lime curd, incense. Refined, pure, vibrant; wonderful length.

**PAIRING SUGGESTIONS:** Regional goats' cheese; chicken in mushroom sauce: seared ahi tuna or other rich, fresh fish

