

DOMAINE GÉRARD RAPHETMorey-Saint-Denis 1er Cru 'Les Millandes'

Raphet wines are a Burgundy lover's Burgundy. While the wine's color in the glass is a delicate ruby, aromas and flavors surprise with their forceful intensity. This contrast often catches the uninitiated off guard, yet it is part of the seduction of these limited and highly sought-after wines. Raphet Burgundy is handmade from field to bottle, with a rhythm and method that hasn't changed in more than four generations. Pinot Noir vines at the estate are on average very old, with many surpassing 100 years. North Berkeley Imports selects individual barrels of wine to import exclusively under our own label, "Cuvée Unique." These wines, unlike the estate's regular wines, are bottled unfined and unfiltered.

WINERY: Domaine Gérard Raphet **WINEMAKER:** Gérard Raphet

ESTABLISHED: 1920s

REGION: FRANCE • Burgundy • Morey-Saint-Denis

APPELLATION: Morey-Saint-Denis AOC

BLEND: 100% Pinot Noir

VINEYARDS: Estate vines, facing east, sit at the northwest corner of this premier cru, bordering grand cru Clos de la Roche. Soils are mostly brown

limestone, like Clos de la Roche, with more clay.

AGE OF VINES: 30-50 years, on average

WINEMAKING: Hand-harvested. Fermented on indigenous yeasts in tank. Aged in mostly older French oak barrels for 18 months. Bottled unfined and unfiltered.

TASTING IMPRESSIONS: Aromas of red and black berries, warm baking

spices, earth, chocolate powder. Structured, fine tannins.

PAIRING SUGGESTIONS: Roast pork or chicken; pork terrine

