



## DOMAINE ERIC FOREST

### Petite Arvine Fully - Les Raffos

*Eric Forest is one of the top names in Vergisson. Heir to eight generations of grower talent and trained by local legend Jean-Marie Guffens, Eric crafts rich, expressive wines that are shining examples of the potential of white Burgundy from the Mâconnais. Eric established his own domaine in 2000, and now manages some 20 acres of vineyards in and around Vergisson, the centerpoint for quality in the Mâconnais. Vines are cared for sustainably, and much of Eric's natural philosophy was inspired by his grandfather, an early adopter of biodynamics in the region.*

**WINERY:** Domaine Eric Forest

**WINEMAKER:** Eric Forest

**ESTABLISHED:** 2000

**REGION:** FRANCE • Burgundy • Mâconnais • Vergisson

**APPELLATION:** Valais, Switzerland

**BLEND:** 100% Petite Arvine

**VINEYARDS:** Vines located in the wine region of Valais, in Switzerland; the village is Fully. Eric works with a local vine grower who tends organically a small parcel of massal selection Petite Arvine in Fully.

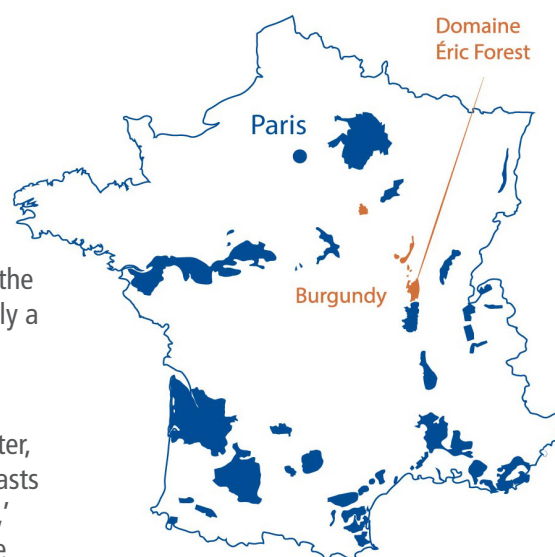
**AGE OF VINES:** 45 years, on average

**WINEMAKING:** Hand-harvested and vinified in Valais. Pressed full cluster, retaining only the heart of the press wine. Fermented on indigenous yeasts in French oak barrels that previously held Eric's Pouilly-Fuissé 'Les Crays,' which he brings himself to the Valais. Aged in barrel on fine lees for one year in an underground cave; then six months in tank. Bottled unfiltered and unfiltered, minimal added sulfites. Very limited production.

**TASTING IMPRESSIONS:** Aromas of wildflowers, dried herbs, poached white fruit, spice. Textured and generous, with good freshness

**PAIRING SUGGESTIONS:** Rich fish with beurre blanc sauce; roast chicken with herbs; aged French cheeses

**NOTES:** Eric's family used to vacation in Valais, where he quickly developed a passion for the region's rare, regional white grapes and wines



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