

DOMAINE DU COUVENT Gevrey-Chambertin 'Clos du Meix des Ouches' Monopole

The Chéron family's history in Burgundy started with an auspicious purchase in the 1930s: a few rows of Pinot Noir in Clos du Vougeot. Today winemaker Philippe Chéron still tends the same vines that his savvy grandfather acquired, plus some 25 acres of prime vineyard land in the Côte de Nuits. Philippe calls himself a "winemaker in the service of vineyards," and it's more than clear that each precious bottle from this small estate puts terroir center stage. Farmed organically, Philippe's wines—including three monopole vineyards in Gevrey—are a very exciting discovery in red Burgundy.

WINERY: Domaine du Couvent WINEMAKER: Philippe Chéron ESTABLISHED: 1930 (refounded 2020) REGION: FRANCE • Burgundy • Gevrey-Chambertin APPELLATION: Gevrey-Chambertin AOC BLEND: 100% Pinot Noir

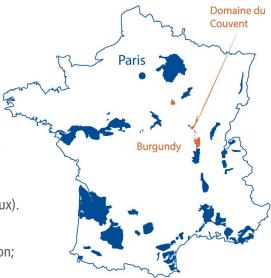
VINEYARDS: The monopole vineyard 'Clos du Meix des Ouches,' just over two acres surrounded by a stone wall, is found west of the village proper and south of premier cru 'Champonnet.' Soils are a rich and deep mix of limestone and clay, with lots of gravel (erosion from the "combe" of Lavaux).

AGE OF VINES: 50 years, on average

WINEMAKING: Hand-harvested. Destemmed, with a brief cold maceration; fermented on indigenous yeasts in temperature-controlled cement tanks. Aged for 15 months in French oak barrels, with approx. 20% new oak.

TASTING IMPRESSIONS: Aromas of ripe black fruits, autumn spice, violet notes. Full-bodied and suave, with ripe tannins.

PAIRING SUGGESTIONS: Red meat, game dishes, roasted duck



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