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BEAUNE

PREMIER CRU - LES AIGROTS

Grape Variety: Pinot Noir



ORIGIN:

Beaune, wine capital of Burgundy, half-way between Dijon and Chalon sur Saône, produces essentially red wines in an area with strong a geological identity: calcareous and marl. The orientation varies from east to southeast to directly south. Wine from Beaune was known in the past for being light-bodied. Today it is generous and full-bodied, ideal for keeping. The Premiers Crus represent three-fourths of the planted area, or about 410 ha.

The hillsides spread between 220 and 350 m in altitude facing the rising sun, or southeast. 42 vineyards are classified as Premiers Crus.

Soil: brown limestone, white and yellow marl on the higher ground; ferruginous gravel downhill and limestone with yellow and red clay on the piedmont plains.

Les Aigrots is a parcel classified Premier Cru which is found in the southern part of the designation, on the upper hillside of Saint Désirée Mountain, between the Clos des Mouches and Champs-Pimont parcels.

The vineyard spreads over nearly 18 ha 63 ares 65 ca; at an altitude between 250 and 300 m. Exposure is east - northeast and the terroir is mostly argilo-calcareous.

Two-thirds of this climat is planted with Pinot Noir, the remaining third is planted in Chardonnay.

CHARACTERISTICS:

Grape Variety:	Pinot Noir
Colour:	Red
Town:	Beaune
Classification:	Premier Cru
Climat :	Les Aigrots
Vintage:	2011

OLIVIER'S TASTING COMMENTS:



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Visual: dark ruby; brilliant.

Olfactory: intense, small red berries (strawberry, raspberry, cherry) and light floral: violet.

Gustatory: fine tannin which provides a bold first impression to the wine, balance between richness and acidity.

Maturation: from 4 to 6 years. Amateurs of fruity wines will enjoy this wine now.

Food-wine pairing: leg of lamb, roasted pigeon, cheese: Tomme de Savoie, Reblochon, Mont D'Or.



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