

2018 RULLY 1ER CRU RABOURCÉ WHITE BURGUNDY

DOMAINE DES CHAUCHOUX, RULLY, BURGUNDY, FRANCE



THE WINE:

100% Chardonnay from the Premier Cru Vineyard of “Rabourcé” on the eastern slopes of the famous limestone ridge called La Montagne de la Folie. This ridgeline separates Rully from its more famous neighbor Chassagne Montrachet. The wine was fermented and then aged in 30% new french oak for 11 months. The 2018 vintage for this region was absolutely beautiful with generous fruit wrapped with good acids and structure. Domaine des Chauchoux produced 800 cases of this wine in 2018.

THE ESTATE:

Domaine des Chauchoux is the new Domaine owned by Christian Belleville, former owner of Chateau Saint Michel. His family vineyards and winemaking traditions go back four generations in Rully with the same vineyards and lands being passed on down through the generations. The winery produces about 10,000 cases per year, split equally between red and white wines. The soils here in Rully are based with clay and limestone with the Pinot Noir plots being grown on clay based soils while the Chardonnay is grown on the limestone rich soils. Christian Belleville and his children Jean Michel and Amelie do much of the winemaking and vineyard maintenance where they practice sustainable agriculture and ancient Burgundian winemaking techniques.

TASTING NOTES:

Color: pale gold with green reflections

Aromas: lemon, golden apple and pear with hints of toast and vanilla

Flavor & Texture: ripe meyer lemon, Asian pear and minerals with a full bodied and luscious texture

Food Pairing: grilled fresh halibut with a citrus beurre blanc sauce

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