

GRANDS VINS DE BOURGOGNE

BEAUNE 1^{ER} CRU
Les Grèves

2021



Domaine Berthelemot is a family business based in Meursault and cultivating 15 hectares in the Côte de Beaune area (Meursault, Puligny-Montrachet, Pommard, Beaune....). Our pledge is to produce wines revealing the true quality characteristics of the land and take care to protect the environment. Our wines are certified "organic" from vintage 2021.

The vine -

Plot /climat Grèves (total surface area 34ha 22a).

History The word « grève » means « gravel ». Nowaday, the soil is both gravelly and sandy. This type of soil is great for drainage when heavy rain. Grève « climat » is the biggest of Beaune appellation.

Soil Sandy at the foot of the slope and more stony, higher up.

Our plot(s) 67a 93ca planted in 1976.

Age of vines
Planting date 1976

Surface67a93ca

The wine -

100% Pinot Noir from handpicked grapes; raised in oak casks.

Taste Robust and richly coloured with both finesse and elegance on the palate; the wine will age well with characteristic sauvage tones.

Serving temperature 15/16°C. It is recommended to decant recent vintages so as to enhance the aroma.

The vintage

Year 2021: down in history for frost. The frost which hit the French winelands was the worst ever experienced. Our domain was seriously struck with a yield equivalent to a third of a normal grape harvest. The frost early in April, slowed down the growth rate of the vine which took time to recover in addition to which the season was marked by frequent periods of rain , beneficial for the life of the vine but complicating the control of mildew and oidium. It was not an easy season to manage right up to harvest time as from 18 September when again spells of rain did not facilitate matters; nevertheless, healthy grapes were selected after careful sortation on picking and before processing such that on monitoring the maturity of the wine , its equilibrium is surprisingly satisfactory. The red wines are bright , ruby coloured, supple and delicate in the mouth with a touch of small , red fruit on the nose.