

GRANDS VINS DE BOURGOGNE

GEVREY-CHAMBERTIN Craite-Paille

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 of the vine and its environment. Our wines are certified "organic" from vintage 2021.

The vine _

Plot /climat Craite-Paille, total surface area 11 ha 31 ares

History Planting for the two appellations, Craite-Paille and Justice, which started in 1950 was an advantage for this zone; the wines from these lower fields of Gevrey are somewhat more supple and pleasantly fruity.

Soil The Craite-Paille site is located at the lower end of the combe (or small valley) of Lavaux; the substratum consists in a mix of limestone, clay and alluvium ensuring good drainage in this area only slightly inclined.

Our plot(s) 48 ares at an altitude of 250 meters and planted in 1970.

Age of vines
Planting date 1970

Surface 48.25a

The wine

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

Taste Ruby-red in colour, typical of Pinot noir, with aromas of red fruit, cherry and red-currant; in the mouth, it is rich, tender and silky with a delicate touch of tannins.

Serving temperature 15/16°C. Recent vintages may be decanted 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.