



# Domaine Berthelemot

GRANDS VINS DE BOURGOGNE

## PERNAND-VERGELESSES

Les Belles Filles (red)

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** This site is named "Sous le bois de Noël et Belles Filles".

**History** This name is almost an ode to the legendary beauty of the nuns who used to stroll in these fields from their convent in Changey, above Pernand.

**Soil** On a gradient of 8/10% of limestone rock and shallow, red-ochre topsoil of alluvium and ferruginous clay.

**Our plot(s)** 29 ares at an altitude of between 280 and 380 meters, planted in 1959, 1985 and 2000 on a slope due east exposed to the morning sun.

#### Age of vines

Date de plantation 1959 1985

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Surface 10.53a 14.92a

### The wine

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

**Taste** Ruby-red in colour with aromas of red fruit and cassis ; in the mouth, it is fresh, delicate and with fine tannins. The finish is mineral and saline, typical of the Pernand slopes.

**Serving temperature** 15/16°C. Recent vintages may be decanted to enhance the aroma.

### Le Millésime

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.