



Joseph Drouhin

L'ÉLÉGANCE NATURELLE
DES GRANDS BOURGOGNES

BONNES-MARES 2021

GRAND CRU- 100% PINOT NOIR

Bonnes-Mares is halfway between Chambertin and Musigny, and yet less well-known than either. The vineyard straddles two communes: Morey and Chambolle. The Drouhin parcel is located on the Chambolle side.



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History & Tradition: According to legend, a farmer discovered in his field a sculpture representing the three goddesses of fecundity whose name was “Bonnes Mères” (“Good Mothers”), hence the name “Bonnes Mares”. Soil: mild incline; light soil, mixed with chalky pebbles. Drouhin estate: 0,23 ha. (0.575 acre). Average age of the vines: 41 years.

Viticulture: Biological cultivation since 1990; biodynamic cultivation a few years later. Vine stocks: “sélection mas-sale” (propagation of new vine stocks from a number of selected vines) done at the Drouhin nursery; also clones of recognized quality. Soil maintenance: compost of manure and white wood, sometimes guano (seabird manure used as fertilizer). Soil is ploughed either by tractor or by horse to manage spreading of weeds. Treatment: only authorized products for biological cultivation are used. Natural predators are not eliminated. Plantation density: from 10,000 to 12,500 stocks/ha in order to extract all possible nuances from the terroir and limit the production of each vine stock. Pruning: Guyot.

Ageing

- **Type:** In barrels (20% in new oak)
- **Length:** 14 to 18 months. **Origin of the wood:** French oak forests.

Tasting note by Véronique Boss-Drouhin - “A wine with great breed. Bright, intense ruby-red colour. Complex aromas of Morello cherry (“griotte”), cherrywood, raspberry, and, in some years, a discreet touch of tobacco. As the wine ages, there are notes of truffle and musk. On the palate, a good balance between structure and texture. A remarkably long aftertaste”.

Serving Temp: 61-62°F. **Cellaring:** 8 to 40 years.

2021 Vintage: The red wines are delicate. They offer a nice ruby red colour and aromas of fresh and ripe red fruit. This lovely fruity expression is also present on the palate, with notes of cherry or raspberry. The textures are delicate and the tannins very silky.

