



Joseph Drouhin

L'ÉLÉGANCE NATURELLE
DES GRANDS BOURGOGNES



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VILLAGE WINE - 100% PINOT NOIR

The appellation is elongated, with two different sections, north and south, separated by a little stream that crosses the town. The hillside is quite steep, but the vineyards have an excellent east exposure.

History & Tradition:

- An emblematic wine, closely linked to the gastronomy of Burgundy. Great chefs, such as Escoffier, and Brillat-Savarin (the famous cook-book writer), have praised these wines very highly.
- Soil: there are outcroppings of hard chalk in many places.
- The northern part of Nuits, close to Vosne, produces wines of great finesse.
- The southern part, with its rockier soil, gives powerful and long lasting wines.

Viticulture:

- Plantation density: 10,000 vinestocks/ha in order to extract as much as possible from the terroir and limit the production of each vine stock. Pruning: Guyot.
- Yield: 45 hl/ha - purposely low, in order for the grapes to reveal every nuance of the terroir.
- Grape Supply: grapes and wines provided by regular supply partners.

Vinification:

- Maceration: maceration and vinification take 2 to 3 weeks indigenous yeasts maceration and fermentation temperatures under total control.
- Joseph Drouhin seeks total control of the process of extraction; extraction gives colour and substance but should never be detrimental to the finesse and typical character of the wine.

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 - "Deep red colour. The aromas are powerful and elegant, with notes of cherry and blackberry, as well as hints of cedar wood evolving towards gamey touches. On the palate: beautiful balance between structure and softness. The long aftertaste is reminiscent of fruit syrups and mild spices".

Serving Temp: 61-62°F. **Cellaring:** 5 to 25 years.

2020 Vintage: This vintage was marked by a concentration of juice in the berries just before the harvest. The wines show a very nice intense ruby colour. The nose is complex and very expressive of red fruits and black fruits but above all the expressions of the terroirs are already noticeable.

