



Joseph Drouhin

L'ÉLÉGANCE NATURELLE  
DES GRANDS BOURGOGNES



# SAVIGNY-LES-BEAUNE 2020

VILLAGE WINE - 100% PINOT NOIR

*Savigny-les-Beaune is a pretty village tucked away in a small valley north of Beaune. The vines are planted on two hills with two different exposures, north and south.*

### History & Tradition:

- The Gallo-Roman village was called Sabinius and played an important role in the history of viticulture.
- Soil: a complex mixture of limestone pebbles, red or yellow clay and other small stones.
- Drouhin Estate: 0,8 ha. (2 acres).

### Viticulture:

- Biological cultivation since 1990; biodynamic cultivation a few years later.
- Soil is ploughed either by tractor or by horse to manage spreading of weeds.
- Only authorized products for biological cultivation are used. Natural predators are not eliminated.
- Supply: grapes from the domaine in addition to grapes and must purchased from regular supply partners (long-term contracts)

### 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.
- Pressing: vertical press; separation of free run juice from pressed juice.

**Ageing:** Type: in barrels (10% in new oak) Length: 12 to 15 months. Origin of the wood: French oak forests. Fining ("collage", to clarify the wine): light, after careful tasting.

**Tasting note by Véronique Boss-Drouhin** - "A delicate and elegant wine. On the nose, characteristic aromas of spice and violet, mingled with wild blackberry. On the palate, refined and supple. Persistent aftertaste, with delicious and subtle flavours that linger on for quite a long time".

**Serving at:** 61-62°F. **Cellaring:** 5 to 10 years.

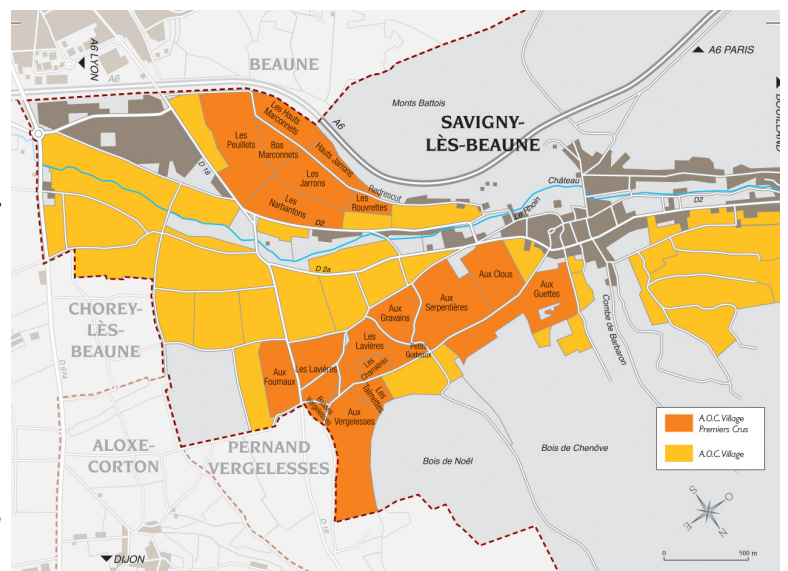
**2020 Vintage:** This vintage was marked by a concentration of juice in the berries just before the harvest. The wines show a very nice intense ruby colour. The nose is complex and very expressive of red fruits and black fruits but above all the expressions of the terroirs are already noticeable.

## JOHN GILMAN - 89 POINTS

*This is a lovely villages level bottling of Santenay, which clearly seems to be one of the current "winners" in the tragedy of global warming, as the commune's wines currently seem to really be benefiting from warmer growing seasons. And there is really excellent terroir in Santenay that is now getting to shine with the riper fruit tones of climate change. The 2020 Beaurepaire bottling from the Drouhins delivers a very bright, black fruity bouquet of dark berries, bitter chocolate, gamebird, woodsmoke, fresh herbs and a nice base of soil tones. On the palate the wine is deep, full-bodied, ripe and juicy at the core, with well-integrated tannins, fine focus and grip and a nice touch of whole clusters currently perking up the finish. Good juice in the making. 2028-2055.*

### Wine Advocate-(88-90) Pts

*Aromas of plums, sweet berries and warm spices introduce Drouhin's 2020 Santenay 1er Cru Beaurepaire, a medium to full-bodied, ample and lively wine with a vibrant core of fruit, chalky tannins and a mouthwatering finish.*



Dreyfus, Ashby & Co.  
PURVEYORS OF FINE WINES & SPIRITS SINCE 1946

