



2023 BEAUNE CLOS DES MOUCHES

PREMIER CRU - 100% PINOT NOIR

The site is at the southern end of the Beaune appellation, next to Pommard.

The Drouhin vineyard is at mid-slope, on a mild incline with an east/south-east exposure. It is the largest parcel of the Clos des Mouches (35 acres), one half planted with chardonnay, the other half pinot noir.



Producing communes:

- Beaune.

Supply:

- The Estate. grapes are harvested by hand in open-work crates.
- If necessary, a careful sorting is proceeded.

Vinification:

- In accordance with the terroir and the profile of the vintage, we do 2 to 3 weeks of fermentation and maceration in small open vats, marked by punching of the cap and pumping-over.
- The yeasts are indigenous (natural). Pressing in a vertical press.
- Separation of the ends of the presses based on tasting.

Ageing:

- In oak barrels including 25% new oak barrels.
- The ageing lasts between 14 to 18 months.

2023 Vintage:

2023 stands out as one of the hottest years in Burgundy, surpassing even 2022. This vintage is marked by its generosity, both in quantity and quality, with consistent yields across all regions in Burgundy.

The wines offer flavours of ripe red and black berries. The climate's generosity is evident in these Pinots Noirs. They show excellent ripeness with smooth, long, and complex palates. 2023 is a vintage of high quality.

Tasting note by Véronique Boss-Drouhin:

An exceptional wine. Beautiful, deep-red ruby colour, with the bright sheen of great Burgundies. Intense and fresh nose for the young wines. Primary notes of red fruit dominate, such as Morello cherry (« griotte », or wild cherry), raspberry, blackberry. There are hints of complexity with smoky flavours evolving towards liquorice. When the wine is maturing, aromas of pepper, tobacco, humus and undergrowth appear. When drinking the wine, the first impression is always clear-cut and the texture fleshy. The body is firm without being rough, well meshed without being heavy. There is great freshness in the younger wines. With age, the wine gets rounder. It takes on « gras » (velvety texture) and a more precise architecture, supported by silky tannins. It is lively and refined at the same time. There remains a final and most pleasing sensation of harmony, fullness and delicate tannins, as the wine lingers on the palate.

Service

- **Cellaring: Optimal**
consumption: 10 to 20 years
- **Ageing potential:** 25 years
- **Tasting temperature:** 61-62°F

Tim Atkin MW-94 Pts

Flavors of crushed blueberries, cherry cordial and candied rose petals are accented by wisps of chimney smoke. Talc-like tannins and thirst-quenching acidity keep the palate feel light and ethereal. The finessed craftsmanship really shines through.

Decanter-93 Pts

Vinous-91-93 Pts

Wine Advocate-91-93 Pts.

Burghound-90-92 Pts



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