Joseph Drouhin

L'ÉLÉGANCE NATURELLE
DES GRANDS BOURGOGNES

2024 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.

2024 Vintage: 2024 is less generous than 2023, but it is a vintage of great quality. 2024 was a very rainy year. The climate fluctuations had a strong impact on the harvest. Careful sorting combined with the winemaker's know-how have made it possible to obtain tasty wines, both in white and red. Flavoured and generous, fresh and of pure, they can be enjoyed in their youth, even if some can age for a few years in the cellar to reveal their full expression.

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

James Suckling-96-97 Pts

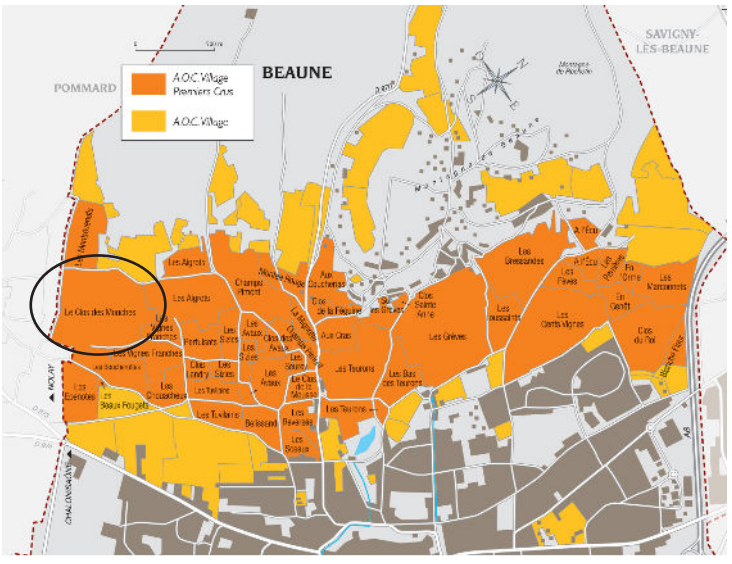
Complex yet subtle nose of red berries, sweet cherries, subtle minerals, citrus and spices. Textural and almost full-bodied, with tight but creamy tannins and a very long finish. Structured yet polished and very long, with lovely width, verticality and length.

Tim Atkin MW-93 Pts

Vinous-92-94 Pts

Wine Advocate-91+ Pts.

Burghound-90-92 Pts



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