



DOMAINE JACQUES PRIEUR

Corton-Bressandes Grand Cru 2020

Vintage 2020

"The harvest started historically early »

After an exceptionally mild winter, the vine quickly began to grow again and the first buds burst on March 25th. Thanks to a generous amount sunshine and high temperatures in the spring, the vineyard developed rapidly and the first flowers appeared on May 12th. Flowering was rapid and was completely finished by May 26th. The heat set in for the summer and the ripening started at the beginning of July. The heat waves at the end of July and mid-August, as well as the lack of water, did not slow down the ripening of the grapes, which, on the contrary, progressed very quickly.

The harvest began at Domaine Jacques Prieur on August 20th with Pinot Noir grapes from the Côte de Beaune and ended on September 2nd, an unprecedented earliness.

The grapes were perfectly healthy, with excellent ripeness and a high level of acidity, which can be explained by the concentration that occurred at the end of the ripening cycle under the influence of a warm wind coming from the south and high temperatures.

GRAPE VARIETY & PLOT SIZE

Grape variety : 100% Pinot Noir on a 0.73 hectare plot

TERROIR

Situated on the hill where the Grands Crus of Corton are located. The south-east facing vineyards and slight slope ensure perfect ripening.

This sun exposure, combined with stony clay-limestone soil, is conducive to early ripening whatever the weather during the growing season.

VINIFICATION & AGEING

The grapes were handpicked into small crates, then sorted and totally destemmed. The wine stayed on the skins for 20 days in temperature-controlled open oak vats. Pigeage (punching down the cap) was done twice a day during alcoholic fermentation.

100% malolactic fermentation

The wine was aged entirely in oak barrels.

Duration of barrel ageing : 21 months

TASTING NOTES

Tasted in June 2022

COLOUR : Intense black-red with purple reflections.

NOSE : Very expressive and rich with floral notes (violet, rose), spicy notes (clove, black pepper, nutmeg), opening out on aromas of small red fruits (raspberry).

PALATE : Tasty with a juicy and crispy fruitiness (black fruit). The finish has refined and warm tannins.

