



# DOMAINE JACQUES PRIEUR

## Puligny-Montrachet Les Combettes Premier 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% Chardonnay on a 1.50 hectare plot

### TERROIR

Beautiful vineyard in some of the finest terroir for Chardonnay in the Côte de Beaune. Southeast-facing slope overlooking the village of Puligny-Montrachet. Clay-limestone soil with a high proportion of stones, which is conducive to excellent ripeness.

### VINIFICATION & AGEING

Whole bunches of grapes were handpicked into small crates and pressed in a pneumatic winepress. The juice was cold settled after pressing for 36 hours under temperature-controlled conditions. Alcoholic fermentation and ageing took place entirely in oak barrels. 100% malolactic fermentation

Duration of barrel ageing : 20 months

### TASTING NOTES

Tasted in May 2022

COLOUR : Bright green-gold with silver highlights.

NOSE : Subtle and refined with pleasant aniseed and delicate floral notes (white flowers).

PALATE : Full of energy, delicate and elegant. A crispy touch of lemon zest and a delicate toasted taste, leading to a tasty finish, dominated by a very nice sapidity.

