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Volnay, Burgundy, France



Domaine Poulleau Volnay Les Grand Champs 2021

SKU 466464 | 6x750 ml | Spec
\$85.99 Wholesale

Winery Information

Domaine Poulleau is a lovely 8 hectare domaine located in Volnay. The domaine was created by Michel Poulleau in 1960 and today is diligently managed by Michel's son Thierry Poulleau and his wife Florence; 1983 was Thierry's first vintage. The domaine has ownership in 7 appellations and produces 93% red wines mostly in Volnay but include Bourgogne, Beaune, Chorey, Aloxe & Corton Charlemagne. These grapes are 100% hand harvested with a severe triage before fermentation and represent classic terroir and fruit focused wines. Thierry is very judicious with his use of oak, always respecting the individuality of the parcel's terroir to passionately craft small quantities of some of the finest expressions of Pinot Noir and Chardonnay in the world.

The Vineyards

Location: Volnay
Area: 0.17 ha
Grape Variety: 100 % Pinot Noir
Type of soil: Limestone and brown silt
Average yield: 48 hl/ha
Average age of the vines: 80 years | Harvest: Hand Picking

Aging : 1 year in oak casks (25% new casks)

Aging potential: 7 to 10 years

The Poulleaus sold their Premier Cru holdings to purchase a new parcel in the 'Les Grands Champs' *climat*, as they believed the quality of the fruit and the potential here would be far greater. Their 0.17 hectares are on the northern tip (bordering *Premier Cru En l'Ormeau*) just below the mid-slope band of Premier Cru sites, with vines averaging 80 years. Just one taste of the wine certainly vindicates the decision.

Tasting Notes

It is dense and tightly coiled yet clearly expresses the silky, velvety charm indicative of Volnay, with sweet, ripe tannins. The berries are de-stemmed and gently pressed before fermentation and the wine spends a year in 225-litre French oak barriques, only 25% of which are new. The resulting wine has natural concentration and impressive breadth, but maintains the fine-boned, 'feminine' character so typical of the appellation. The nose is sweet and floral with a delicate spice, while the palate is awash with ripe red berry fruits, a hint of blackcurrant, and damson. The spice carries through to the long finish, which is still a little firm. This wine has an effortless appeal in its youth but will open up to impress in three years or so, and will only improve over the rest of the decade (or more).

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