

Domaine de la Rouletière, 'Les Argiles', Vouvray Demi-Sec 2018



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Producer Note

Domaine de la Rouletière is located in the heart of some of the most sought-after slopes in Vouvray. Founded in 1914, it is owned by the Gilet family, wine-growers for five generations. Owner and winemaker Jean-Marc Gilet cultivates the 27 hectare vineyard organically, respecting the environment and the terroir. At the heart of the vineyard, the domain possesses a magnificent two storey cellar that has been carved out by the Gilet family over many generations: 800 square metres set in freestone. The wines are elegantly styled, beautifully balanced and bear all the hallmarks of superb Vouvray.

Vintage

2018 was an excellent vintage - no spring frosts, perfect weather conditions throughout the growing season and just the right amount of water when needed. Blue skies and temperatures in the mid-30s throughout the harvest created the perfect opportunity to harvest at optimal ripeness. The wines have the perfect balance of ripeness of fruit and classic Loire freshness.

Vineyard

The Vouvray AOC is situated on the right bank of the Loire Valley. The grapes are grown in a single vineyard 'les Argiles', which is certified organic; the grapes are grown without the use of synthetic or chemical preparations. The vineyard covers Turonian limestone hillsides, interspersed with confluent valleys and is covered with 'perruche', a flinty clay soil.

Winemaking

Each plot was vinified separately to respect the character of the terroir. The grapes were harvested at optimum ripeness and carefully selected on the sorting table, to retain the highest quality. The fruit was fermented at low temperatures in temperature controlled stainless steel tanks. The wine was made in an unoaked style to retain the freshness and purity of fruit.

Tasting Note

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Grape

Chenin Blanc 100%



Winemaker:	Jean-Marc Gilet
Region:	Loire
Sub region:	Vouvray
Country:	France
Alcohol:	12%
Dry/Sweet value:	3 (1 is dry, 7 is very sweet)
Residual Sugar:	25
Contains Sulphites:	Yes
Vegetarian/Vegan:	No/No
Milk/Eggs:	No/No
Organic/Biodynamic:	Yes/No
Product Code:	5095118A
Case unit of measure:	6X75CL
Formats Available:	75cl
Closure:	Nomacorc