

La Varenne

Rosé



About the Estate:

The GOURON Family has been producing wine for five generations. La VARENNE is entirely located within the Chinon Appellation d'Origine Protégée and more precisely in Cravant les Coteaux, cradle of the best Chinon wines and famous estates.

Throughout the year, they take great care of their vines to get the best maturity and natural lower yields. To reach the desired concentration and expression from their Cabernet Franc, the Gouron family utilizes green-covering in each row, very short pruning and reduced foliage. Each parcel is harvested and vinified separately in order to keep and reveal the expression of each terroir. The gravelly-sandy and silex soils on the plain, or the sandy-limestone hilltops provide smooth and tender fruity wines.

LA VARENNE is providing wines of an incredible constancy, ripe and smooth, showing aromas we nearly forgot from Cabernet-Franc! Goes without saying that LA VARENNE Rosé, coming from utmost ripeness are pure gems, with fresh and soft tannins.

Our friend Craig HEFFLEY in NC, amazing specialist and Amoureux of this great Rosé since ever, describes it as a rare yearly tease, and does suggest it with: Roasted turkey with sage, thyme, and butter with lemon zest.

Tasting Notes:

Attractive, feminine and very clear, brilliant Rosé color. Fresh and fruity strawberries, raspberries and sweet Tagada candies' and glycerin notes. Superbly balanced, fleshy, still on candies aromas dominance, with the perfect boost and « tonic » length.

Perfumed aromas of autumnal, leafy spice and bits of chocolate make us salivate from the very first whiff and hint at the wine's sexy finesse and silky texture! A joy from the moment the cork is popped, this razory and elegant pink has all the flavorful hallmarks of Cabernet Franc, and the bright acidity lingers for minutes. We think of fruity pink peppercorns.

Press Review:

Soon to come.

VINTAGE	2015
REGION	Loire Valley
APPELLATION	Chinon
VARIETAL	100% Cabernet Franc
TERROIR	Fine gravel and sandy soils.
INFO	28 Ha (69.18 Acres) total vineyard & 2.5 Ha (6.18 Acres) from few plots within "La Perriere" devoted to Rosé. 30 year old vines on average. Berrie's pressing with pneumatic press, to get fresh and soft tannins - Fermenting in thermo-controlled tanks. Unfined / Filtered Sustainable Agriculture Practices