



CHATEAU BROWN

WHITE

SURFACE AREA OF WHITE VINES:

5 hectares (estate total: 31ha)

PLANTED WHITE GRAPE VARIETIES:

70% Sauvignon Blanc 30% Sémillon

HARVESTING:

100% manual, with sorting in the vineyard and transportation in small cases to avoid any risk of oxydation

VINIFICATION:

- Light pressing for the grapes, in inert conditions (horizontal pneumatic press)
- Cold must settling (8°C) in small, thermo-regulated stainless steel vats
- Alcoholic fermentation at 16.5° in barrels (50% new and 50% used once previously).

MATURING:

100% of the production in French oak barrels with mild toast (50% new and 50% used once previously). Over fine lees, with stirring (twice weekly), during 8 months.

SOIL:

- Clay-limestone and fine gravel over a clay-limestone subsoil
- Plot-by-plot management with integrated drainage system

VINEYARD MANAGEMENT:

Eco-responsible viticulture certified HEV 3 (High Environmental Value)

AVERAGE AGE OF THE VINES:

20 years

AVERAGE YIELD FOR WHITE WINE: (ten-year average) 35 hectolitres/hectare

SECOND WINE: La Pommeraie de Brown

PROPRIETORS: Families Mau et Dirkzwager

MANAGER: Jean-Christophe Mau

OENOLOGIST CONSULTANT: Philippe Dulong

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Blend: 74% Sauvignon Blanc 26% Sémillon

Alcohol Degree: 14%

Yield: 17 hl/ha

Harvest dates: Sauvignon Blanc: from 28th to 31st August 2017 Semillon: 4th September 2017

Bottling date at the property: 3rd September 2018

TASTING COMMENTS:

This vintage has a lovely luminous pale golden appearance. It offers a broad range of aromas, with scents of grapefruit, pineapple and mandarin, a very light smokiness from its barrel-ageing, and spiced, gingery notes backed by floral honeysuckle aromas. Very fresh on the palate after a sweet attack, still very aromatic with hints of citrus and a long, lively finish. This vintage is bursting with freshness. There is a strong influence from the Sauvignon grapes, which were mostly spared from the spring frosts, offering a lovely ripeness which will not lessen with ageing !

AWARDS:

Wine Spectator: 93/100 (february 2019) Guide Hachette des vins 2020: "Coup de Coeur" 2 stars The Global Sauvignon Blanc Masters 2018: Gold Medal

EN PRIMEUR TASTING SCORES:

Wine Spectator: 90-93 • Vinous: 90-92 • Wine Enthusiast: 91-93 James Suckling: 89-90 • Wine Advocate: 89-91 Jancis Robinson: 16.5 • RVF: 16-16.5



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