



Chablis 2016

Chablis, Burgundy

ESTATE

Chanson has extensive holdings of over 111 acres of exclusively Premier and Grand Cru vineyards in the heart of Burgundy. Both the estate holdings and contracted grower vineyards are 100% hand harvested by the Chanson team to tightly control picking time and grape selection. Chanson is obsessed with maintaining a consistent quality level across the entire range. The regional and village wines are produced with the same precision and care as the Premier and Grand Crus.

WINE

Chablis is known for producing steely, crisp wines with intense green-apple acidity and a firm, mineral backbone. This wine is ideal with pate, poultry, lobster and goat cheese.

VINEYARD

The village of Chablis is located in the northernmost district of Burgundy. Domaine Chanson makes a plot-based selection on hills ideally located in south of the village of Chablis.

Soil: Limestone

Grape Variety: 100% Chardonnay

WINEMAKING

The wine is for the most part left alone, as the philosophy is one of "infusion rather than construction." The wine is vinified 100% whole cluster to extract a deeper color and enhance the structure and aromatic complexity. Chanson also strives to maximize the preservation of fresh fruit characteristics, which is why grapes are chilled immediately on arrival in a proprietary tunnel that provides a very quick chill with no oxygen exposure. Then, Champagne-style fractional pressing is practiced to gently extract the purest juice. Oak is used conservatively, with no more than 20% for the whites.

VINTAGE

Climate: After a cool and rainy winter and a frost episode in April, the weather at the end of spring was warmer but rainy which engendered a late flowering and produced small berries in many plots (millerandage). The summer was warm and dry.

Vineyard Work: September was warm and the harvest took place mid-September under bright sunshine. The white wines are precise and taut and develop very pure aromas.

TASTING NOTE

Pale gold in color, with delicate floral fragrances and aromas of citrus fruit. Pure and well-crafted, with a clean, mineral finish.