

Domaine des Terres de Velle becomes **DOMAINE PIERRE VINCENT**

In July 2023, The Lyon based Solexia Group acquired Domaine des Terres de Velle, at Auxey-Duresses (Côte de Beaune - Bourgogne).

Today, Pierre Vincent, former Director of Domaine de la Vougeraie and General Manager of Domaine Leflaive, has taken the reins of this estate which has been renamed **DOMAINE PIERRE VINCENT**.

A STORY OF **PASSION**

In the beginning, this was a project born out of three men's passion for wine and for Burgundy: Hervé Kratiroff, Eric Versini and Pierre Vincent. A story of friendship that developed into a shared dream - of owning a wine estate in the Côte d'Or with exceptional climats as found in the Côte de Beaune. So when Domaine des Terres de Velle with its magnificent parcels and outstanding vines came on the market, the decision was quickly made in the face of such a rarity. And on 18 July 2023 the Solexia Group took possession of the Domaine des Terres de Velle at Auxey-Duresses. The three men were associates in this new adventure.

A NEW DOMAINE IN THE **CÔTE DE BEAUNE**

Domaine des Terres de Velle first came into being in 2009. Highly representative of a 'Burgundian' mosaic, it produced 16 wines each year from the fruit of 7 hectares situated in the most prestigious villages of the Côte de Beaune. They included notably exceptional appellations such as Corton-Charlemagne Grand Cru, Chassagne-Montrachet Premier Cru Les Chaumées, Puligny-Montrachet Premier Cru Les Referts, Meursault Premier Cru Les Charmes, Savigny-Lès-Beaune Premier Cru Aux Vergelesses for the white, and Volnay Premier Cru Le Ronceret and Monthélie Premier Cru Les Duresses for the reds.



DOMAINE PIERRE VINCENT

A small estate with numerous micro-cuvées (less than 900 bottles for each one) and an exceptional natural heritage of vines of an average of 50 years of age: Pierre Vincent did not have to think twice before putting his name to this new Domaine in the Côte de Beaune.

« *The creation of Domaine Pierre VINCENT is a realization of a dream. I have always worked with passion to make great wines. Today I have the necessary professional maturity to take on an estate and produce wines in my own image. Wines of the greatest possible purity, that reflect their terroir and their vintage. I have a fairly purist approach, I try to transform the fruit in the most respectful and the least interventionist way possible. The essential lies in the art of exalting the grape and in striving for excellence in every detail, like the work of haute-couture. A perfect balance between the intervention of man and authentic expression.* »

Pierre Vincent



“EXCELLENCE IS IN THE DETAILS.”

For almost fifteen years Hervé Kratiroff, Eric Versini and Pierre Vincent have worked, exchanged ideas, and tasted wines together. They share the same vision and desire to make characterful, terroir driven, statement wines.

Work in the vines is determined by observing the environment and employing all the senses to the full. Sympathetic to the principles of biodynamics in the vineyard, Pierre Vincent seeks to respect living matter, the earth and everything in it, the forces of energy, and nature, and is attentive to the weather, the seasons, and the lunar calendar. His objective: to successfully transmit the energy of the vines into the wine.

In the cellar he practices minimum intervention during vinification, which takes place as simply and naturally as possible. Pierre Vincent aims to maintain the fruit in its purest form, which means less and less use of new barrels with the unique goal of giving voice to the terroir. The ageing period is long; two winters in the cellar are necessary to allow the wines to stabilize naturally.

PROFILE



Appellations

AOC Corton-Charlemagne, Chassagne-Montrachet, Meursault, Volnay, Auxey-Duresses, Puligny-Montrachet, Monthélie.



Vines

Average age of vines: 50 years



Situation

In the village of Auxey-Duresses, five minutes from Meursault and around 50 kilometres south of Dijon.



Production

In 2022: 40,000 bottles.



Estate

Total surface of the estate: 5.70 ha. Surface cultivated (including tenant farmed land): 7.16 ha.



Distribution

France - 30% direct sales, 70% HORECA



Terroir

Limestone clay.

Target export markets: United States, United Kingdom, Japan, China, Switzerland, Germany, Austria, Italy, Holland, Belgium, Denmark, and Norway.



Born in the Saône-et-Loire department of France, Pierre Vincent is the son of Charolais beef farmers. As a boy, he already knew he wanted to work in a profession relating to the living world, nature, and science. The passion for wine was born when he became fascinated by the magic of the craft of the winemaker and the alchemy that takes place between the work in the vines and the liquid in the bottle. In the year 2000 he studied for a diploma in oenology. Later he was to become Technical Director at Domaine de la Vougeraie, from 2006 to 2016, before being appointed General Manager of Domaine Leflaive until the end of 2024.

In 2010 and again in 2014, Pierre Vincent was awarded the title of Best Red Winemaker at the International Wine Challenge in London, one of the most prestigious wine competitions in the world.

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