

# DOMAINE LE CAPITAINE VOUVRAY 'LES AUMÔNES'



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Only a mile from the city of Tours, the domaine's 70 acres of vineyards rise from the northern banks of the Loire River in the Vouvray appellation in the Touraine district— "the garden of France." The river is a moderating influence on the vines, aided by the numerous valleys running down to it. The stony slopes have the classic *tuffeau* or chalky limestone subsoil, mixed with *perruche* or flinty clay that lends minerality to the wines. There is also *aubuis* or clay-limestone that gives power to the sweet wines. The wines are made in a modern winery, but they rest and age in the beautiful 11<sup>th</sup> century *tuffeau* cellars.

Alain Le Capitaine started the domaine in 1988 with only half an acre of vines planted in the family garden. He was joined in 1995 by his brother Christophe. In 2013 Alain's son Florian joined them in growing some of the finest Chenin Blanc in Vouvray. Today the estate is 70 acres of vines planted in Chenin at the limit between oceanic influence and continental influence on the first slopes of Rochecorbon.

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## Tasting Note:

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## Shelf Talker:

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