

# LES EQUILIBRISTES 'BOUILLON AUX DAMES' ANJOU BLANC



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The grapes come from two vineyard plots at top of a hillside in the Anjou appellation of the Loire. The soils in the vineyards are clay and gravel on black schists. The farming is biodynamic and the grapes are harvested by hand. Spontaneous fermentation in stainless steel tanks, malolactic fermentation, aged in old oak barrels; bottled unfiltered/unfiltered.

*Les Equilibristes* (Tightrope Walkers) are François de Monval and Florent Girou. François is a wine merchant and restaurant owner in Paris, and Floret is a wine-grower and consulting oenologist in the Dordogne. They aim to produce one of a kind, quirky cuvees from small estates all across France. Their central focus is to fashion wines that possess *équilibre* (balance). Les Equilibristes have a simple set of rules they follow in winemaking: great terroir, indigenous grape varieties, organic winemaking practices, indigenous yeasts, minimal sulphur, minimal intervention in the cellar and complete synergy with the wine-grower. The results are simply stunning. Each year, they purchase a select amount of grapes from which they produce terroir driven, organic cuvees that express a clear identity and sense of place. It's a collaborative process, from choosing the site to final bottling.

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## Tasting Note:

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