## DOMAINE DES PERDRIX ECHEZEAUX GRAND CRU

100% Pinot Noir. Deep ruby color with purple highlights. Expressive and delicate aromas of cherries and plums, floral notes of violet are enhanced by a spicy touch. The fruitiness is dazzling, with a perfect balance between power and roundness. The finish is long with a bit of saltiness.

Sourced from two iconic plots - 80% from Echezeaux Du Dessus, planted in 1922, 20% from Quartiers de Nuits, planted in 1945. Clayey limestoney soil, brown clay with many little rocks, facing South/South-east. Grapes carefully picked and sorted by hand, 70% are partially de-stemmed. Cold pre-fermentation for 4-6 days. Full maceration for 15 days. Alcoholic fermentation with natural yeasts. After maceration, free and press wines are separated for aging, taking place in traditional Burgundian barrels, for 18 months (85% new barrels.) French oak coming mainly from Bourgogne, Allier and Vosges forests. The wine spends 2 months in stainless steel tanks before bottling.

Le Domaine des Perdrix was not a renowned estate until the Devillard family (who have worked in wine for 5 generations) took its management in 1996. Bertrand & Christiane Devillard and their children Amaury & Aurore manage the Domaine. Robert Parker says about this acquisition that it proves the existence of undiscovered great quality terroirs among the Grands Terroirs of Côte de Nuits. Most of the domaine's production was first sold to a trade firm, with the result that the Domaine was not well-known. All vineyards were in perfect condition and the Devillard family have made high investments in the Cuverie. The domaine extends over 30 acres in the great terroirs of: Vosne-Romanée, Nuits-Saint-Georges, Nuits-Saint Georges Premier Cru "Aux perdrix" (which is owned in quasi monopoly, as the Doamine owns 99% of this great vineyard) and Echézeaux Grand Cru (situated in "Echézeaux du dessus", right in the centre of this prestigious vineyard). More than half of their vineyards are Premiers Crus and Grand Crus. Wine-lovers can taste wines from 5 estates run by the Devillard Family: Château de Chamirey, Domaine des Perdrix, Domaine de la Garenne, Le Renard.

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