LA PETITE MARQUISE CREMANT DE LOIR BRUT ROSÉ

100% Cabernet Franc. Lovely pink color with brilliant highlights. Fine, persistent bead. Freshness and finesse: fine, lively bouquet with fresh, red-berry fruit aromas of wild strawberries and cherries. Lively initial impression and good aromatic intensity. Well-balanced on the palate, following through with a fresh, wonderfully subtle aftertaste. Enjoy as an aperitif, with quiches & savory cakes, with desserts, or simply for pleasure.

From grapes grown on selected plots to the south of Saumur. The clay-limestone terroir promotes perfect ripening, and aging in their tufa chalk cellars gives this cuvée its superb freshness, fruit, and character. The grapes are harvested by hand, gently pressed, and undergo fermentation at cool temperatures to ensure that all the aromas are preserved. Second fermentation in bottle of a selection of the best wines, according to the *Méthode Traditionnelle*. The bottles are stored horizontally on wooden laths for a minimum of 12 to 16 months before disgorging, to develop an incomparably fine bead.

Cave de Saumur is an exemplary cooperative that was formed in 1957 by about forty winegrowers who grouped together to confront the economic difficulties of the era. From their intimate approach to viticulture to their deliberate respect of terroir, Cave de Saumur crafts wines that eloquently speak of Saumur as a place of deeply rooted traditions.

Established in January 2002 when seven cooperative cellars decided to join forces, Alliance Loire has become an essential player in AOP Loire Valley wines. In its leading position in Loire Valley wines, Alliance Loire offers a wide range covering all vineyard regions along the Loire River, from Nantes on the Atlantic coast to the Touraine region 1,000 kilometres inland.

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