CHERRIER FRÈRES SANCERRE ROUGE 'LES RENARDERIES'

100% Pinot Noir. Aromas of red berries, herbs and violets. Flavors of dark cherry and baking spices with well-balanced acidity. Light to medium bodied, dry and smooth. Pair with crab cakes, roasted duck or coq au vin.

The vineyard is 50 acres spread out over five different villages around the Sancerre Appellation in the Loire Valley, France. The vines are 3-70 years-old. The vineyard has three soil types of Sancerre - Silex (Flint), Terre Blanche (Clay-Limestone), and Caillottes (Gravelly Clay-Limestone). Machine harvest, vinification with selected and native yeasts in temperature controlled stainless steel tanks, parcels kept separate by type of terroir during vinification until final blending. Aged 6-10 months on the fine lees in stainless steel tanks.

Based in Verdigny, the Cherrier brothers farm 50 acres of vines spread over five different villages around Sancerre, as well as 25 acres of vines in Menetou-Salon. The diversity of vineyard sites allows them to blend Sauvignon Blanc from the three types of soil typical of the region, which creates harmonious and balanced wines with minerality, richness and acidity. Since 1994, François and Jean-Marie Cherrier have established a sustainable viticulture regimen which uses ecological techniques, including using cover crops in the vineyards, eliminating chemical fertilizers and vinification products, and implementing gray-water reuse at the winery.

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