

MAISON DESPRAT SAINT VERNY VOLCANS D'AUVERGNE LAVA CHARDONNAY PUY DE DOME

100% Chardonnay. A nose of summer, honeydew, peach, and touches of vanilla. Very clean & fresh,
Alpine in character. A full, dry Chardonnay with a juicy finish and a bright grapefruit lift.

The vineyard covers 9.88 acres with a south-southwest facing. The elevation is 1150-1476 feet above sea level. The soils are made up of clay limestone. The vines are 20-25 years old. Cover crops and manual work of the soils between each row of vines. No herbicides are used. The grapes are harvested at night. Cold pre fermentation maceration. Fermentation in temperature controlled stainless steel tanks for 15 days. Aged 3 months on the lees in stainless steel.

In the heart of France sits the wine region of the Southern Loire valley, 2 hours west of Burgundy at the headwaters of the Loire river. AOP Auvergne & IGP Puy de Doîne appellations are nestled in the UNESCO World Heritage site Chain of Puys, 80 volcanos following the Limagne fault line. Pre Phylloxera, Auvergne was the 3rd largest wine growing region, who only began replanting in 1950s and have started regaining notoriety with 350ha now planted in the appellation. The Desprat family have been making wines in Auvergne since 1885. Volcans d'Auvergne is now managed by the 5th generation Pierre Desprat and his two daughters Lea & Lucie. One of 10 volcanic AOP appellations in the world, they strive to highlight the rare terroirs of ash, lava & basaltic deposits in all of their wines.

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Tasting Note:

KIVELSTADT CELLARS FAMILY SECRET SAUVIGNON BLANC

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Shelf Talker:

