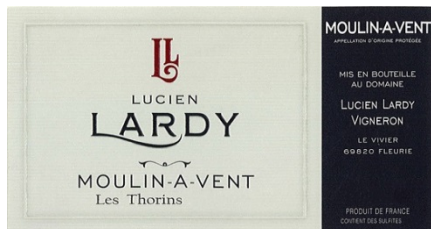


LUCIEN LARDY

MOULIN-A-VENT « Les Thorins » 2017

Single Vineyard – GPS 46.2052889, 4.7228162



ORIGIN

Beaujolais

APPELLATION

Moulin-a-Vent

VINEYARD

+/- 70-year old Gamay Noir vines planted in 7.5 acres lieu-dit: Les Thorins. Soil is granite and sand with high concentration of Manganese.

BLEND

100% Gamay Noir

FARMING

Sustainable farming practices

WINEMAKING

Whole cluster maceration for 12 days. Fermentation with native yeasts. Aged 8 months in vats of which 15% is aged in neutral oak barrels.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

12.5% Alc. |

Lucien Lardy's 2017 Moulin-a-Vent 'Les Thorins' is a wine that is looking towards the future. Its current density will evolve into incredible richness full of black fruits, acidity and spices from old-wood aging. Enjoy from 2021.

2017's Beaujolais vintage delivered massively against all the odds. Even with Mother Nature's tests of hail, drought, and rain, winemakers were able to create cuvée's with rich, ripe, fruit character with intense concentration.

His vineyards in Moulin-a-Vent total 7.5 acres and are planted on granite and sand that are high in manganese. This soil is rich in minerality and the vines are kept warm at night by rocks that have absorbed the heat of the day. This adds a lush ripeness to the fruit. Lucien farms the vines sustainably and has chosen vines from the *lieu-dit* "Les Thorins" to produce this wine. The vines from Les Thorins are 70-years old and are 100% Gamay Noir. After whole-cluster maceration, fermentation is done with native yeast. Fifteen percent (15%) of the wine is then aged for eight months in neutral oak.

Lucien Lardy is the one son out of four children who stayed to take over for his father and become a winemaker at the family's property. He made it his mission to preserve and honor the legacy his father and grandfather had cultivated over the past 100 years. Today, Lucien is one of the few independent growers in Beaujolais.

ACCOLADES

2017 Wine Enthusiast Magazine - **92 points**

"Structured and full of tannins, this wine has a good future. It is not ready yet, but the density of the wine will soften to give great richness, with layers of black fruits, acidity and spice from the old-wood aging. Drink from 2021."

–W.E.

