

DOMAINE DE BEAUSEJOUR « Les Silex » 2023

Single Vineyard – GPS 47.277428, 1.4052985

AOC TOURAINE



ORIGIN

Loire

APPELLATION

Touraine

VINEYARD

25-year-old vines on average planted in clay-limestone and flint soils
20 hectares of estate vineyards

BLEND

100% Sauvignon Blanc

FARMING

Sustainable farming practices

WINEMAKING

Temperature-controlled fermentation with a period of time on the lees. Regular bâtonnage is done.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

12.5% Alc. | <1% RS

At the heart of the “King’s Valley,” the Good Life country, an outstanding vineyard unfolds along the banks of the river Cher-Domaine Beauséjour. Domaine Beauséjour has 20ha of vines based in Noyers-sur-Cher with the majority planted with Sauvignon Blanc. Les Silex, Sauvignon Blanc has a deep golden yellow color with a fruity, crisp, smooth round texture. Flavors of honeysuckle, apricot, and pineapple fill your palette with a velvety sensation right to the end. Enjoy with all types of grilled poultry.

The Loire 2023 vintage has been described as “complex,” as vineyards throughout the Loire endured a harsh and frosty spring and a wet summer, exposing the vines to disease and leaves full of mildew. However, growers were optimistic about a successful vintage: they have been incredibly careful and meticulous during harvest, grape selection, and sorting, and they will be even more attentive in their winemaking processes which will help determine the overall quality of this vintage. The majority of the Loire Valley’s vigneronns have already finished picking, certainly for the white, early ripening varieties and dry styles. Despite the difficulties the Loire Valley, the Sauvignon Blanc grapes are all clean – a testament to a very rigorous selection of grapes by some of the Loire’s best producers.

Domaine Beausejour vineyard has 25-year-old vines on average which stretch over 20 hectares of top soils comprised of clay-limestone and sand and subsoils of clay and flint. This flinty soil is known as “Silex” (one of the three main soil subtypes found in Sancerre) and produces a long-lived wine with a distinctive stony minerality with gunflint quality. After the grapes are harvested, sorted and pressed, the juice goes through temperature-controlled fermentations followed by aging on its lees with regular *bâtonnage* (lees stirring).

Driven by a desire to work as a family in an exceptional environment and to the rhythm of nature, Arnaud and Albéric chose viticulture by acquiring Domaine Beauséjour. The estate, cultivated over five generations by the Trotignon family, was bought in June 2022 by two brothers, Arnaud and Albéric Lechat, who are keen to continue the operation with respect for tradition and concern for the authentic quality of the wine product.

ACCOLADES

2023 – International Wine Report – 92 points

The 2023 'Les Silex' Sauvignon delivers inviting aromas of green apple, gooseberries, lime zest, dried herbs and crushed stones. On the palate the is balanced and focused, with notable a lovely mouthfeel, that is backed by gorgeous combination acidity and minerality that persists through the finish.

2022 – Decanter 94

2022 - WE - 92 Best Buy

