

THORMAN HUNT

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Domaine Yannick Amirault

Bourgueil

Bourgueil "Côte 50"

Grower

The domaine was founded in 1936 by Eugène Amirault and taken over in 1977 by his grandson Yannick, who began with 3.9 hectares of the Malgagnes vineyard inherited from his grandfather. Yannick's son Benoît joined him in 2003 and now runs the domaine, which has 19 hectares split into 25 parcels, two thirds in Bourgueil and one third in Saint-Nicolas-de-Bourgueil. The domaine has been certified organic since 2009, and no chemicals or weedkillers have been used since 1997. Each terroir is worked following the lunar cycle, picked by hand and aged separately.

Vineyards

4.75 hectares on the Bourgueil terrace, 50 metres above the Loire. A blend of the lieux-dits Les Sables, La Coudraye, Les Pins and Les Perrières, on gravel and sand soils with a little clay. Natural grass cover, with the soil worked under the rows.

Vinification

Harvested entirely by hand into small baskets. Double sorting, with the grapes fully destemmed and not crushed. Alcoholic fermentation in open vats with gentle macerations of around 3 weeks. Aged for 7 to 12 months in wooden vats, sandstone jars and barrels to preserve the brightness of the fruit.

Style

The domaine's most approachable Bourgueil: a soft, easy-drinking Cabernet Franc made to show its fruit young. Enjoy within 4 to 5 years of the vintage.

Grape varieties:

100% Cabernet Franc

Farming:

Organic

Vegetarian:

Yes

Bottling options:

75cl

Closure:

Cork

