

THORMAN HUNT

EST. WINE SHIPPERS 1978

Cave Yves Cuilleron, Chavanay

Gamay "Les Vignes d'à Côté"



Grower

Yves Cuilleron took over the reins as the 4th generation vigneron in 1987. He is based in Chavanay, just south of Condrieu. Yves is a totally driven man with a growing family and a part share with other top growers in vineyards on the eastern side of the Rhône. He has around 75 hectares split as follows; 8 ha Côte-Rôtie, 12 ha Condrieu, 7 ha white Saint-Joseph, 20 ha red Saint-Joseph, 1 ha white Crozes-Hermitage, 3 ha red Crozes-Hermitage, 3 ha Saint-Péray, 1.5 ha Cornas, 19.5 ha IGP (PGI). He also has a fantastic new cellar, purpose-built and temperature controlled.

Vineyard

Granitic and alluvium soil. Natural cover cropping to avoid erosion. Treatments are limited as much as possible depending on the weather, no pesticides to preserve biodiversity, only organic fertilisers. Control of vigour and yield by leaf stripping, debudding in spring and green harvesting for better ripening of the grapes.

Vinification

Manual harvesting and individual plot vinification. Minimum intervention during vinification (indigenous yeasts). In the cellar, sorting, crushing and partial destemming. 3-week maceration in open tanks. Aged for 8 months in barrels.

Style

Expressive wine, aromas of intense red fruits mixed with floral notes.

Grape varieties:

100 % Gamay

Bottling options: 75cl

Vegetarian: Yes

Vegan: Yes

Closure: Cork

