de Ladoucette



Baron de 'L'



Grape varieties: 100 % Sauvignon Blanc sourced entirely from the de Ladoucette vineyards:

Le Desert, La Fontaine, La Belle Vue, La Crois and Les Bleus These sites are considered to be some of the finest and most important in Pouilly-sur-Loire, the Pouilly-Fumé region.

The harvest: - The vines are on average forty years old and yield barely enough for 8,000 cases each vintage (the classic de Ladoucette Pouilly-Fumé vineyards can produce 100,000 cases). Picking is always by hand so that the fruit remains undamaged. Lying at the heart of the vineyards, the winery at the Chateau du Nozet always receives fruit at optimum freshness, as no parcel of land lies more than six minutes away.

Vinification: - This is a wine made entirely from free-run juice- the highest possible grade. This is obtained by gravity where the natural weight of the grapes allows a fine juice to run-off without the harsh action of pressing. It is made in a similar way to a champagne Cuvée where the wines from the finest Grand Cru vineyards are vinified separately, then skillfully blended together. The wines are stored on their lees to extract maximum flavour, and stirred on occasion to accentuate this process. The wine will be bottled after two years in the cellars of the Chateau.

Tasting Note: On the nose it is a harmonious blend of strength and freshness with orange peel, grapefruit, beeswax and floral hints. On the palate the fruit is full and elegant showing a mineral complexity combined with herbaceous fruit and zesty acidity. The length is extraordinary and makes Baron de L one of the finest expressions of

Sauvignon Blanc· Unlike other Sauvignon Blancs it has the potential to age for 5-10 years and above·