



Joseph Drouhin

Santenay

2021

SERVICE



Cellaring

Optimal consumption: 5 to 8 years
Ageing potential: 10 years



Tasting temperature

16°C (61-62°F)

Grape variety

Pinot Noir

Vineyard

Producing commune: Santenay.

Site: Santenay is a charming village, at the southern end of the Côte de Beaune, below the Mont de Sène.

History & tradition: this ancient village was already famous in Roman times for its hot springs named « Santinae Aquae » (health-giving waters).

Soil: clay and limestone.

Tasting

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A real « terroir » wine. A deep ruby colour and an intense nose of wild fruit: blackberry, blueberry, cranberry. Often tannic in its youth. Long and persistent on the palate, with flavours reminiscent of grenadine syrup or pomegranate.

Winemaking

Supply: this wine comes from grapes and musts purchased from supply partners according to rigorous specifications.

Harvest: grapes harvested by hands in open-work crates. If necessary, a careful sorting is proceeded.

Vinification: total destemming. In accordance with the terroir and the profile of the vintage, we do 2 to 3 weeks of fermentation and maceration in small open vats, marked by punching of the cap and pumping-over. The yeasts are indigenous (natural). Pressing in a vertical press. Separation of the ends of the presses based on tasting.

Ageing: in oak barrels including 20% of new barrels.

The ageing lasts between 12 to 16 months.

Origin of the wood: oak grown in French high forest.

Throughout the ageing process, decisions are taken only after careful tasting evaluation. The data obtained is completed through technical analysis. As with every other Joseph Drouhin wine, absolute priority is given to the true expression of terroir and character of the vintage.



Vintage

The vagaries of the 2021 vintage have greatly affected yields, resulting in one of the smallest harvests Burgundy has ever seen. The reds are harmonious and elegant, with lower alcohol concentrations compared to previous vintages. It is a vintage with a rather Burgundian style showing fruitiness and a lot of freshness.