

# Bourgogne Hautes-Côtes de Nuits Bio 2019

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## TASTING NOTES

Adorned with a beautiful ruby red color, this wine exhales intense aromas of blackcurrant buds, small red fruits, embellished with smoky notes. The palate is elegant, a lot of finesse, supported by silky tannins.

## ORIGIN

This appellation is unique as it is considered to be a regional appellation although it is limited to a restricted area. The vineyards run parallel to those of the Côte de Nuits (to the west), but are higher in altitude (between 290 and 450 metres). Over 510 ha are planted with the Pinot Noir grape. The soil resembles that of the Côte de Nuits (limestone and marl).

The vineyard is certified organic.

## VITICULTURE

Grape variety: pinot noir

Soils: lean, very calcareous and marly.

Orientation: South/South-East

Surface area under vine: 1.95 ha

Pruning: high vine with Guyot system

Yield: 29 hL/ha

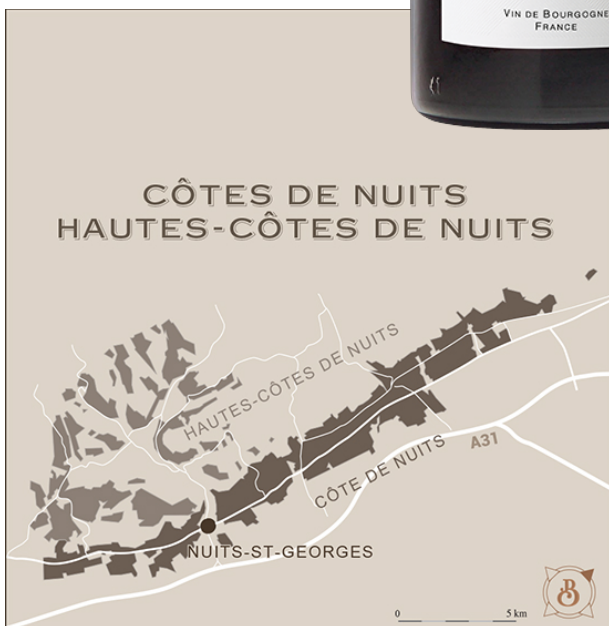
Average age of the vines: 40 years old.

## VINIFICATION

Harvest date: 26 September 2019.

The grapes were sorted a first time in the vineyard and a second time on the sorting table when they arrived at the winery.

At the winery: the grapes are completely de-stemmed but not crushed (they are left whole) and are gravity-fed into tanks. Maceration lasted 15 days including 5 days of cold maceration (12°C). Fermentation used indigenous yeasts only (no additives such as enzymes or tannins were used). 2 punchings of the cap.



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## AGEING

Maturation: aged on the lees for 10 months with no racking using a proportion of 30% new French oak barrels.

Barrels: French oak barrels that had been toasted at low temperatures for a long time for very delicate oaking.

## BOTTLING

Bottling: by gravity in August 2020, wine not fined, very light filtration.

Number of bottles: 5,054.

## VINTAGE

A legendary vintages?

According to Grégory Patriat, this second harvest at the Ursulines winery will go down as a legendary vintage just like 1969, 1979, 1999, 2009, and 2019, because the concentration in the wines is very high indeed. Years with drought and low yields are always great vintages in Burgundy. We had some new premier crus come online last year, with three in Chambolle-Musigny, one in Gevrey-Chambertin, and one in Nuits-Saint-Georges; Le Clos des Argillères. Furthermore, we revived our tradition of producing white wines in villages better known for their reds, with a white Fixin.

Ageing potential: from 3 to 6 years.



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