

# Grand Calcaire

GRUHIER & DELAUNAY

Associated Cousins  
5th Generation Vignerons

## UNVEIL OUR CHABLIS 1ER CRU VAUCOUPIN 2022

*The quintessence of finesse*

### *Terroir*

*Varietal:* Chardonnay

*Situation:* Our Vaucoupin comes from the coolest vineyards in this terroir, located on the side of a valley that benefits from south-eastern exposure.

Composed of Kimmeridgian calcareous clay marls containing brown clay, the soil is stony, shallow and very well drained.

*Vaucoupin* is a flagship of Chablis's Premiers Crus. Though the terroir covers quite a small surface area (45 ha), it yields a remarkable wine that is mineral, structured, elegant and complex.

### *Vinification & Aging*

*The carefully settled grape juice* is transferred to stainless steel vats for a high precision fermentation.

*The wine* is then left in contact with its fine lees for 10 months and carefully aged with frequent tastings carried out to determine what operations, such as stirring (3 *bâtonnages* for this *cuvée*) or racking, need to be performed.

*Blending* is carried out with the utmost transferred to stainless steel vats for a high precision fermentation.

### *Tasting notes*

*Gorgeous* golden yellow in colour.

*The first nose is mineral* with nuances of gunflint. Then come mild hazelnut notes that mingle harmoniously with fruity scents of Corsican mandarin and grapefruit. Next subtle nuances of white flowers (jasmine) surface, complemented by refreshing hints of lemon verbena and mint.

*The palate is nice and round*, featuring pronounced minerality along with pleasing sucrosity (sugared brioche, lemon curd). The finish is redolent of freshly cut grass. This is a fine wine that is distinguished, complex and mineral.

