



2016, A WONDERFUL SURPRISE !

After a mild winter nobody suspected that the spring would bring a polar spell . It hit Burgundy at the end of April and was extraordinary in its wide geographical reach.

Our vineyards located in Meursault, Auxey-Duresses et Monthélie were the most damaged by frost and consequently up to 90% less yield. Later vines were less impacted.

Mai and June were two rainy months where we had to work case by case, considering the huge growing difference we had from one plot to another (and we work on 25 different plots) : a brain teaser !

Fortunately, a very nice summer, hot and sunny, allowed the grapes to reach undisturbed a good ripeness.

We started harvests on September 22nd under the sun but still traumatized by the worst-case scenario occurred in Spring. Then the juices' analyses spoke : the atmosphere was less and less gloomy ...

The 2016's whites are characterized by excellent balance. Late ripening had a positive effect in terms of freshness which is one of the key elements of this vintage. On the nose, they offer fresh fruits and flowers and are very elegant. The mouth is harmonious and fleshy and stand out with an impressive length.

The red wines produced in 2016 exceed our expectations. Floral and fruity notes mingle with spicy and mentholated touches. In the mouth they are elegantly structured and with great freshness.

Small in terms of quantity, 2016 is -to everyone's surprise- great in terms of quality. For us, as winegrowers, it remains a challenging vintage both for body and mind ...

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