

Area : 0,63 ha

Age of the vines: 40 years old

Average annual Production: 4 000 bottles

Grape variety: Pinot Noir

Vintage 2014

Spring was particularly dry and hot, with vegetative growth starting very early, from the end of March. These very favourable conditions lasted until the end of June, bringing about hasty vine flowering during the first week of June, then rapid swelling of the grapes, which reached the stage of fully-formed bunches by 1st July, some 2 weeks ahead of normal. The months of July and August were much cooler and damper, which slowed vine development.

At the end of August, then throughout the month of September, the weather remained dry, hot and sunny, allowing good grape ripening.

The harvest started at the domain on 15th September and ended on 1st October in the Hautes-Côtes, in ideal conditions.

The weather profile is very close to that of the 2011 vintage and the wines naturally show a lot of similarities: these are wines of intense colour, with well-integrated tannins thanks to complete ripeness and acidities that are mid-range, enhancing roundness on the palate.

Aromas are precise and the character of each climat well defined.

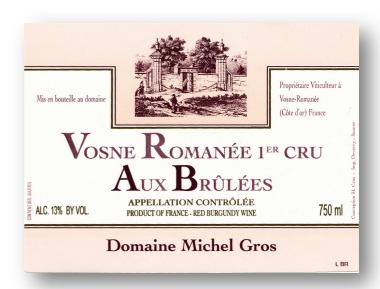
All things considered, a vintage that is well-balanced, easy to appreciate in its youth, but with nevertheless an ageing potential of some ten years.

Press review :

Burgundy Briefing.

Sarah Marsh, Winter 2015

Seductive for about 2 seconds and then it tightens in. Straight, clipped and much more austere. You sense the ripeness, there is density and my goodness it is compact and contained. The 'richness' is cold and channelled and the finish is long and more savoury. A more difficult wine right now, but with potential. Score 18.5. (Finished MLF 1 month ago)



Decanter

Gérard Basset et Stephen Brook, February 2016 Lovely sweet blackberry fruit, cured meat notes, a velvety texture and savoury finish. A wine of great charm that illustrates well how this estate punches above its weight. 95 points



International Wine Challenge 2016 – Gold Medal Intense perfume and dark berry cedery aromas. Beautiful dark fruit integration fine silky tannic concentration on palate. Complex with a great length on the finish.

Wine Spectator, June 2017

A succulent and fluid red wine with flavors of black cherry, cassis, licorice and spices. Sophisticated and silky, with a beautiful harmony and a lingering aftertaste of black fruits and oak spices. 93 points.



Allen Meadows, 15/01/2016, Issue 61

A subtle but not invisible note of wood serves as a backdrop for the overtly spicy and quite floral aromas of lavender, lilac and violet that add breadth to the mostly dark berry fruit scents. There is excellent richness and volume to the suave and caressing medium weight flavors that brim with tannin-buffering dry extract, all wrapped in a fleshy if mildly austere finale that delivers very fine persistence. This is sufficiently structured to require at least a decade of bottle age.