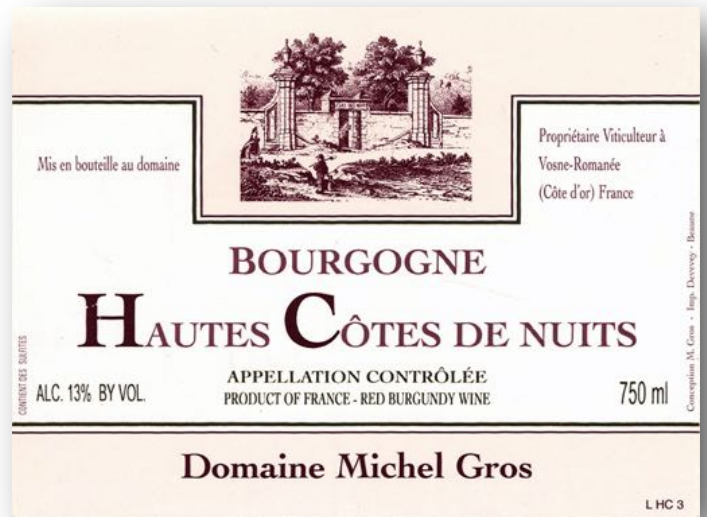




Area : 12 ha
Average Age of the Vines : 35 years old
Average Annual Production : 50 000 btles
Grape Variety : Pinot Noir



2013 is once again a vintage responsible for seriously stressing the winegrowers in Burgundy. We had a bad fight against mildew and oidium on our hands, in view to bring healthy grapes to the winery.

An exceptionally cold and wet month of May explains mainly the delay in harvesting, starting in Vosne the 6th of October and ending in the Hautes-Côtes on the 17th. Last time harvest was even later than this goes back to the 1978 vintage.

A very disturbed weather during the flowering period in the second half of June resulted in flower abortion and millerandage for nearly all the bunches, consequently showing small berries and a harvest between 30 and 40% lower than average.

However the millerandage saved this vintage.

The small bunches ripened perfectly in spite of a mixed summer, except for a hot and sunny month of July.

The millerandage also helped to strongly reduce the sensitivity to Botrytis cinerea which could have totally destroyed the grapes during the last stormy days before harvest.

The millerandage, while reducing the proportion of juice, is the reason why the wines have such a sustained colour, a natural concentration without excessive tannins, as the imperfect fecundation decreased the number and size of the pips.

A late ripeness due to the rather chilly temperatures allowed the intense fruit aromas to develop, specific markers of each terroir, and a high acidity level, synonym of longevity.

This analytic acidity, revealed by low PH, is not detected during tasting, thanks to very mellow tannins and a rich texture reducing its perception.

The wines are already very seductive due to their harmony, their equilibrium, their intensity and their precise aromas. They will keep for many years and remind us of the 1993 vintage, still excellent to-date.

Press Review :

Jancis Robinson, January 12, 2015

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Quite stunning fruit for a modest appellation - bursting full of raspberry and redcurrant. Lovely clove and olive note too, and a really generous and tender structure. Light and shortish for sure, but still overdelivers for the origin. (RH)

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Sarah Marsh, Winter 2014, The Burgundy Briefing N° 16

This is higher toned than the Bourgogne; ripe redcurrant and wild flowers. More zing on the attack than the Bourgogne; It is straighter; tenser and very energetic on the finish. Quite a peppery finish. There is a bit more intensity in the palate...it has a slightly stronger core. I like both the Bourgogne this year.

Bill Nanson, 3rd December, 2014, Burgundy-Report

Here is a beautiful nose of vibrant dark red fruit-still with a hint of malo. Plenty of acidity here - almost piercing the fruit is lovely and largely brings balance. Relatively faint tannin here in the finish.

Allen Meadows, 15/01/2015, Issue 57

A completely different nose of brooding and intensely earthy and sauvage aromas is comprised of various dark berry fruit scents. Here too there is good volume and intensity along with more evident minerality on the middle weight, vibrant and delicious flavors that are supported by bright acidity and relatively firm tannins. This is a Bourgogne that will require a few years of bottle age first