

DOMAINE LAGUILHON

Domaine Laguilhon, Jurançon Doux 2012

PRODUCER

Domaine Laguilhon is owned by viticulturalist Henri Estreboou. The domaine is most likely named after a shepherd's crook (aiguillon) because it is situated on a hill where cows used to bypass in order to get to the fields to graze. Their vineyards are located in Monein, known for creating richer styles of Jurançon. With Domaine Laguilhon, we have found a Jurançon that we feel offers great value and is a perfect example of what this venerable wine producing region does best.

VINEYARDS

There are 12 hectares planted with Gros and Petit Manseng. The vines are south facing, which enables the grapes to ripen in good conditions for the sweet wine. The soil is called poudingue de Jurançon (derived from the word pudding) and is composed of fragments of round stones and alluvial sediment which provides excellent drainage in this wet region (1200 mm of rain per year).

VINTAGE

Winter 2011/2012 was very cold and the vines had a late budburst. Summer was very hot and was followed by some welcome rainfalls in September, which allowed the vines to have a slower final maturation. Healthy grapes were harvested during the last two weeks of October, two weeks later than the grapes for the dry wine, concentrating the sugars and acidity.

VINIFICATION

All the grapes were hand harvested at optimum ripeness. Fermentation occurred in temperature controlled stainless steel tanks. The wine was then matured in stainless steel for ten months before bottling.

TASTING NOTES

Lovely golden colour. This Jurançon is a luscious yet balanced wine which has aromas of fresh pineapples and honey.



VINTAGE INFORMATION

Vintage	2012
Region	Jurançon
Grape Varieties	50% Gros Manseng 50% Petit Manseng
Winemaker	Hervé Lapébie
Features	Sustainable, Vegan, Vegetarian
Closure	Natural Cork
ABV	13%
Residual Sugar	84g/L
Acidity	7.86g/L
Wine pH	3.05
Bottle Sizes	75cl