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CHINON VARENNES DU GRAND CLOS



TASTING NOTES

Charles Joguet Les Varennes du Grand Clos Chinon Rouge 2016. A top cuvee from Joguet from a 4.5 ha vineyard of eroded sandy clay-limestone soils. The vines are nearly 50 yo now, low-yielding at 40 hl/ha. Winemaking - extended cool pre-fermentation maceration, fermentation in foudres, and racking and MLF in new and second use oak barriques. Long ageing potential. Rich, full-bodied and silky on the palate. Tannins are supple and sandy-grained. There are black cherry and berry notes, and a lick of keen acidity to balance the finish.

Food Matches

Roasted chicken, Pork rillettes & Chanterelle Mushrooms

GROWER



Charles Joguet

Loire

A family property located in the heart of the Val de Vienne, the Charles Joguet estate extends over 30 ha planted with Cabernet Franc and 2 ha with Chenin Blanc. A forerunner of the parcel-based approach in Chinon, from the end of the 1950s, the vineyards, spread out on both banks of the Vienne, exp... Read More

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REGION



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GRAPE



Cabernet Franc

Cabernet Franc is a much overshadowed but nevertheless fine red grape variety widely grown all over the world, but with particular heritage in Bordeaux and the Loire Valley. Many single varietal Cab Francs can be found in the Loire in the guise of red Sancerre, Touraine and Anjou-Saumur, and the var... Read More

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