



Grape Varieties	100% Sauvignon Blanc
Winemaker	Nicolas Girard
Closure	Natural Cork
ABV	13%
Bottle Sizes	75cl

PRODUCER

Domaine des Brosses was established in 1875 and lies 10 kilometres south of the town of Sancerre. The Girard family modernised the winery and vineyards when they bought the estate in 1973. Nicolas Girard has now taken over his father's 11 hectare estate and together with his brother Anthony, is making wines that are fresh, modern and aromatic. Both the brothers have travelled extensively throughout the wine world and have used the knowledge and experience acquired to underpin the style of their classic Sancerre.

VINEYARDS

The fruit for this wine comes from the vineyards spread over in Humbligny and Morogues, which are characterised by clay soils, and for this reason are known as `Terres Blanches`. The vines are between 15 and 45 years old and are trained with the Guyot system. Domaine des Brosses has used a machine harvester to collect the grapes since 1989. This is to ensure the Sauvignon Blanc is brought to the winery in the cool night-time temperatures, thus preserving the quality of the fruit.

VINTAGE

Generally, the 2022 vintage was characterised by favourable conditions. Winter was relatively dry in the region and, despite some spring frosts in early April, humidity remained low, and damage was therefore limited. Budburst occurred in mid-April, two weeks earlier than normal. May was also warmer and dryer compared to the previous 10-year average. In June, there were some heavy rainfalls that were offset by high temperatures in July, ensuring a mildew free veraison. Conditions continued to be optimal until harvest, which started at the end of August.

VINIFICATION

The grapes arrived at the winery and were delicately pressed, allowing for gravity flow of the juice into the tank. The wine was fermented in stainless steel tanks and rested on fine lees for 4 to 6 months to ensure a rich and accomplished wine. Vinification was done at low temperatures to enhance the aromatic expression, before bottling at the estate.

TASTING NOTES

The wine shows bright straw yellow in the glass, displaying intense aromas of apple, pear, and citrus, along with spices, pepper, and mentholated notes on the nose. On the palate, the fresh fruit aromas are balanced by a supple texture, resulting in a fresh and vibrant, yet round wine with a long finish.

