Saint-Véran En Crèche



History

En Crèche is a plot of land located in the commune of Davayé and leased by Théo and Paul Merlin at the end of 2017. The 2018 vintage is therefore the first year cultivated by the Merlin team.

Tasting

It is a wine of a beautiful yellow slightly golden colour. Nose of citrus fruits with floral notes. Attack with finesse. Mineral and well-structured, vivacious. On the palate, the wine has a nice length, harmonious, seductive.

Terroir

These Chardonnay vines were planted in 1963 on a shallow, stony soil of hard limestone. It faces south-west on a slope of about 15% with an altitude of 275 metres.

Viticulture

To preserve this exceptional heritage and given the high age of the vines, the MERLIN team applies a very rigorous viticulture. The soil is ploughed completely, without any use of weedkiller. The manual harvest in 2018 took place on the 3rd. September.

Vinification

The Chardonnay grapes are vinified in the Merlin cellar in La Roche-Vineuse. Direct pressing, light settling in stainless steel tanks, alcoholic and malolactic fermentation in oak barrels. Aged for 12 months in barrels, followed by 2-3 months in stainless steel tanks. Racking then light filtration before bottling. No gluing. 2925 bottles and 9 magnums were bottled on 05. 02. 2020.