

# Domaine DU Château de Pierreclos SAINT VÉLAN

**THE ESTATE:** It was in 2008 that Anne-Françoise and Jean-Marie Pidault, winegrowers since 1995, took over the management of this Chateau which is emblematic of Southern Burgundy, located between the Solutré rock and Cluny abbey. It is an estate founded on only the highest degree of excellence and composed of 8 hectares of vines, where the unique Chardonnay grape variety elegantly reveals all the richness and diversity of the terroirs of Pouilly-Fuissé, Saint-Véran, Mâcon-Pierreclos, Mâcon Milly-Lamartine, and Mâcon-Bussière. In 2013, the winemakers made the decision to become a certified organic vineyard to guarantee the authenticity of the terroirs and the purest expression of the wine.

**LOCATION:** 0.91 ha located in the commune of Prissé. Southern exposure. Altitude 250m

**VARIETAL BLEND:** 100% Chardonnay

**THE SOIL:** Clay-limestone and active lime

**THE VINES:** The plantation density is 8,000 vinestocks/ha. The average age of the vines is 43 years old

**VINIFICATION:** Manual harvest, quality-based pressing with a pneumatic press. Cold static clarification.

**AGING:** Fermentation and maturing for 12 months in 50% oak barrels where of 20% new barrels. No fining. No filtration before bottling

**CELLARING POTENTIAL:** 2-5 years

**SERVING TEMPERATURE:** 11°C

**2013 REVIEWS:** "The 2013 St Véran...has an attractive resinous note on the nose that is tight at first, but unfolds with encouragement to reveal green lemon and kiwi-fruit scents. The palate is clean and fresh, nicely balanced with good weight. The finish is very harmonious and delivers plenty of citrus fruit without dispensing with a mote of tension and there is the salinity to encourage another sip." **-90pts**, Neal Martin, *Wine Advocate*

