## 2015 Beaune 1er Cru Les Aigrots Rouge

**The Estate:** Domaine Albert Morot has been synonymous with AOC Beaune since 1820. Today, Morot’s great-great-grand-nephew Geoffroy organically farms 8 ha almost entirely in 1er Cru vineyards.

**Appellation:** AOC Beaune 1er Cru

**The Vines:** Located directly north of the famous Beaune Clos des Mouches in 'Les Aigrots,' the vines are exposed to the southeast and are pruned using the Guyot method.

**Average Age of the Vines:** 35 years old

**Varietals:** 100% Pinot Noir

**Soil:** Clay, sand, and limestone

**Surface Area:** 0.75 ha

**Average Yield:** 35 hl/ha

**Harvest:** Manual

**Vinification:** 100% destemmed. Cuvaison starts with 4-5 days of pre-fermentation maceration and lasts in total about 20 days. 2 punch downs daily until fermentation is underway, then pumping over is used.

**Aging:** The wine is aged in oak barrels (30% new oak) for 16 months. No fining or filtration. The wines are not racked until bottling to preserve the wines with their carbon dioxide rather than rack and add sulfur.

**Indigenous Yeast:** Yes

**Alcohol:** 13%

**Production:** 300 cases

**Tasting Notes:** Tar, smoke, licorice complimented by plum fruit and notes of red raspberry and violets.

**Food Pairings:** Red meat, game, pungent cheeses such as Epoisses

**2015 Reviews:**

- "...a smooth-texture wine...ripe tannins, generous fruit and balance. As the wine develops, the rich red-ber..."
  - **94pts**, Roger Voss, Wine Enthusiast

- "...notes of black cherry, cassis, violet and a hint of exotic tea... exceptionally rich and velvety medium weight flavors exude a fine bead of minerality..."
  - **93pts**, Burghound