

2022 Thierry Delaunay Sauvignon Blanc, AOC Touraine

History of the Winery

The property has passed from father to son for 5 generations.

In 1965, Joël Delaunay took over the business, and the domaine took the name by which it is still known today. He began selling wine bottled on the premises in 1970, starting with private sales, and moving into export in 1980.

During the past 40 years, the domaine has never stopped expanding. Planting of vines, construction of cellar and showroom, and development of a winery equipped with the latest technology.

After completing his oenology studies in the Bordeaux region, Thierry Delaunay returned to the domaine and joined the business in 1998. In 2004 he succeeded his father Joël, from whom he had inherited a wealth of knowledge and winemaking skills. Today he continues the family tradition, furthering the development of this beautiful property on the banks of the Cher.

The property has been certified for sustainable agriculture since 2006, thereby contributing to the conservation of our environment in the spirit of 'enduring viticulture'. Any interventions are made after daily, close observation of the vineyards and consideration of factors such as temperature, rainfall and risk of disease.



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Variety: Sauvignon Blanc

Vintage: 2022

Region: Situated in the heart of the Châteaux of the Loire between Chenonceaux and Chambord, 50 kms to the East of Tours on the left bank of the Cher. Domaine Joël Delaunay covers an area of 27 hectares in AOC Touraine, in the commune of Pouillé.

Winemaker: Marie & Thierry Delaunay

Vinification: Skin contact maceration 50%. Pneumatic pressing of grapes. Alcoholic fermentation at 16°C

Alcohol: 13%

Soil: The clay and flint soils or 'perruches' bring a full expression of the terroir to our red wines, and the less stony 'bournais' soils allow the white and rosé wines to express all their finesse. Our vineyards are subject to a gentle, temperate climate with maritime influences, allowing our grapes to ripen to full maturity.

Sweetness Description: Extra Dry

Maturation: On fine lees with weekly stirring for 3 months

Tasting Notes: from Vintages at LCBO

"The Delaunay family have made wine here for five generations, and their Sauvignon Blancs are benchmark examples of the style. This one will have a tasty mix of gooseberry, citrus and mineral, with some exotic flashes of tropical fruit, and will delight until 2023."

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Wine Align: 89 points

David Lawrason

"This continues to offer a bright, energetic expression of Loire sauvignon with intense citrus aromas of grapefruit and lemon, cut green pepper (capsicum), celery and underlying almost tropical guava/starfruit. Normally Touraine would be more green apple, but this warmer vintage has pushed the fruit toward tropical. It is medium weight, quite rich and creamy - again not as lean and green apple crunchy. And there is some warmth here. It is moving to a New Zealand style, but more importantly, offers a lot of character for the money. Chill well" Tasted Apr 2024

