

## 2015 DOMAINE BONNARD SANCERRE RED

### *A Family Affair*

The Domaine Bonnard is a family vineyard of 14 hectares in Sancerre, at the heart of the wine growing area. Our Domaine has been producing wine for longer than half a century and offers two different appellations, Sancerre AOC (white, red & rosé) and Pouilly Fumé AOC (white).

Our wine cellar is intended as a place where people meet, where each and everyone is welcome. Therefore, wine tasting is always one of those privileged moments in which our pleasure is to share with others the passion we have for our work.

### *Winemaking Method:*

The wines originating from each of these terroirs are vinified separately in order to allow each one to fully express its characteristics. They are then blended so that their respective qualities complement each other to give balanced wines.

The “caillottes” wines are fruity and open up very early. The Kimmeridgian marls allow them to preserve their freshness, fruit and body for a long time and the flint offer minerality to our wine.



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**Variety:** 100% Pinot Noir

**Vintage:** 2015

**Region:** Loire

**Terroir:** Kimmeridgian marl soil (the soil type that yields the best expression of Pinot Noir)

**Winemaker:** Claire Bonnard

**Maturing:** Aging allows the tannins to give way to increased roundness. A proportion of the wine is matured in stainless steel tanks while the remainder receives oak barrels aging for 18-24 months. After aging, the two portions are blended together then bottled.

**Alcohol:** 13%

**Tasting Notes:** Ruby red in color with a nose of black currants and a mouth of ripe red fruits. A pleasant balance is discernable between tannins at the start and roundness at the finish.

The wine is best enjoyed between 2-7 years served at 16-18 degrees Celsius. It is a wonderful accompaniment to cold meats, meats in sauces, game and well-aged cheeses.

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### ACCOLADES:

#### WineAlign: Score 90

This is a charming cooler climate but warmer vintage pinot with a pretty nose of well integrated red rose, raspberry and gentle coniferous forest notes. It is light to medium bodied, very nicely integrated, with some drying woody tannin. Not the world's most generous pinot which is why red Sancerre is a bit player on the pinot stage. But within the realm this is one of the best red Sancerre I have had recently. Very well stitched and complex. The length is excellent. Tasted August 2018

### AWARDS:

Silver Medal—Bourges Wine competition

