

# BEAUNE DU CHÂTEAU

## *Premier Cru / Côte d'Or*

### Vineyards

Bouchard Père et Fils has been producing the Beaune du Château cuvée, an exclusivity of the House, since 1907. A blend of several Premier Cru vineyards, vinified separately, this wine demonstrates the different facets of the terroir of Beaune. Red Beaune du Château comes from 17 Beaune Premier Cru vineyards, chosen for their complementary qualities: Aigrots, Avaux, Bas des Teurons, Belissands, Boucherottes, Bressandes, Cent Vignes, Champs Pimonts, Clos du Roi, A l'Ecu, En Genêts, Grèves, Pertuisots, Reversées, Seurey, Sizies and Toussaints.

**Grape varieties:** Pinot Noir

**Exposition:** From East- Southeast to South- Southeast

**Land:** Pebbly marly limestone

**Bouchard Père & Fils domain area:** 26,04 ha

### Wine notes

Fine, very perfumed nose. This harmonious, well- constituted wine has the typical softness of Beaune's Premiers Crus. Good ageing potential.

### Advice services

**Food- wine suggestions:** Meat dishes in white sauce - Poultry

**Service:** Between 17°C to 18°C

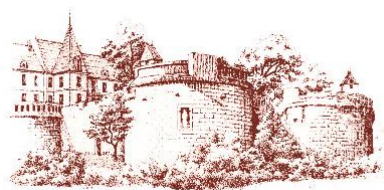
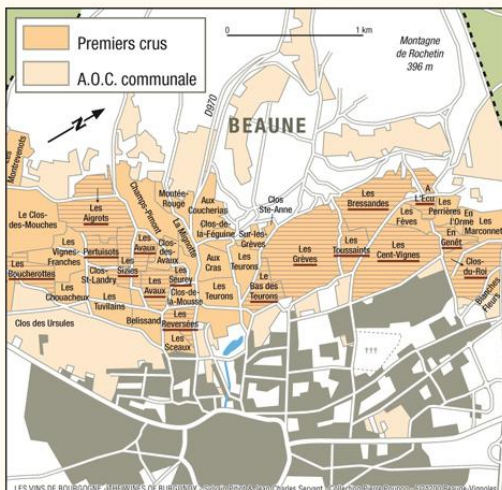
**Ageing potential:** 5 to 7 years and more

### Know- how

**Working the vines:** This parcel is tended by a vine- grower who takes care of the vineyard up to the harvest. Working with the cycle of nature, he enables the terroir to fully express its nuances from vintage to vintage.

**Vinification and maturing:** Following hand picking in small cases, ruthless sorting of the grapes, total or partial destemming depending on the vintage, and fermentation in small containers, gentle pressing ensures optimal vinification. Depending on the profile of the vintage, vatting lasts 12 to 15 days before maturing is carried out for 10 to 18 months in French oak barrels, with 60 to 85% new barrels.

**Ageing wine:** The cellars of the Bastions of the ancient Château de Beaune offer natural ambient conditions that are perfectly adapted to ageing the Premiers Crus.



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# Wine notes by vintage

**2009**

**Wine notes:**

Deep rubis/ garnet colour. Very intense bouquet is unveiling flavors of stewed red fruits and spices. Fleshy, round and perfumed mouth and delicate structure. A fine wine.

**Wine notes date:** February-11

**2009**

**Wine notes:**

Dark ruby/ garnet colour. Very intense bouquet unveiling flavors of stewed red fruit and spices. Fleshy, round and perfumed mouth with a delicate structure. A fine wine.

**Wine notes date:** February-11

**2007**

**Wine notes:**

Ruby colour with purple shades. Delicately perfumed bouquet of red fruit and spices. Fleshy and round mouth, with elegant structure. A nice wine.

**Wine notes date:** February-09

**2006**

**Wine notes:**

Dark ruby colour with purple shades. Very elegant nose developing flavours of stewed fruit, sweet spices and hints of mocha. Fleshy and fresh mouth with a structure of present though melted tannins. A very nice wine.

**Wine notes date:** February-08

# Press review

## June-2011 - Burghound.com

### Vintage 2009

In 2009 this blends 12 different Beaune 1ers crus to create a wine with a very ripe yet high- toned red and blue pinot fruit nose that is in keeping with the equally ripe, supple, round and rather forward flavors that possess a silky mid- palate and fine length. This is not overly complex but it is well- balanced and should drink well young (89-91/100)

## December-2010 - Wine Enthusiast

### Vintage 2008

Fresh fruit shows the acidity of the year, while the black currant flavors give great freshness. The aftertaste is soft, flavored with strawberry juice. 86/100

## June-2010 - Wine Advocate

### Vintage 2008

Bouchard's multi- cru 2008 Beaune du Chateau reflects more than 70 acres of vineyards, so it can certainly fulfill its (century- old) mandate as an ambassador for Beaune as well as Bouchard! Hints of almond and pistachio extract and red berry distillates mingle with notes of leather and tobacco on the nose. A lovely amalgam of savory, saline meat stock; moss, peat, and forest floor generally; burley tobacco and brown spices; and fresh red fruits, informs a silken- textured, generous palate. This finishes with bright refreshment typical of the vintage while continuing to convey a sense of genuine depth, and I suspect it will still satisfy 10-12 years from now. 89

## March-2010 - International Wine Cellar - Stephen Tanzer

### Vintage 2008

(from a blend of several premier crus) Good deep red. Redcurrant, tobacco, mocha, smoke and leather on the nose. Nicely concentrated and vibrant, with a somewhat cool, crisp quality to the flavors of red fruits, spices, leather and minerals. Builds nicely on the back end, with the tannins nicely buffered by mid- palate material. The Aigrots component gives spine to the wine, notes director Stephane Follin- Arbelet. 87-89

## March-2010 - International Wine Cellar - Stephen Tanzer

### Vintage 2007

Pale red with a light rim. Slightly reduced aromas of strawberry, cherry, smoke and tobacco, along with some earthy low tones. Smooth on entry, then a bit more lively in the mid- palate than the nose suggests, with a red fruit flavor shading toward black raspberry with aeration. Finishes with broad, dusty tannins and building sweetness. 89

## April-2010 - Burghound.com

### Vintage 2008

(the first vintage for this wine was in 1907). A gentle hint of wood sets off attractive aromas of red berry fruit, earth and rose petal that merge into supple and agreeable middle weight flavors that for all of the accessibility of the mid- palate also carry more than a little austerity over to the balanced and lingering finish. (89-91)/2016+

## March-2009 - International Wine cellar- Stephen Tanzer

### Vintage 2006

Medium red. Subdued but pure and complex aromas of red fruits, coffee, orange peel, pepper and flowers. Supple, lush and deep, with superb inner- mouth perfume to the red fruit, mineral and incense flavors. Wonderfully graceful Burgundy, combining superb energy and finesse, and finishing very long and aromatic. Note:93

## March-2009 - Wine Spectator

### Vintage 2006

Delicately scented with cherry and spice, picking up a mineral note on the palate. Firm, elegant and well- balanced, with a spice and mineral finish. Drink now through 2016. Note: 89

## January-2009 - 2007 Burgundies

### Vintage 2007

Delicate, cherry nose. Medium- bodied, concentrated, sleek, balanced by graceful tannins. There is acidity enough to give persistence. Should develop well. Note: 16

## January-2009 - Tasted

### Vintage 2006

Charming nose, young raspberry fruit, well- built and fresh palate, long finish, still young but yet pleasant. Andreas Larsson also liked.