



HOUSE OF TOWNEND

Chablis 1er Cru Montmains Vieilles Vignes 2022, Samuel Billaud

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| Price | £60.50 |
| Code | CHAB108 |

Although Billaud has just a 0.8Ha plot on this popular left bank 1er Cru, his 35 year old vines are from a single plot planted on prime blue clay which adds fatness and structure to the resulting wine. Yields of 40hl/ha were slightly above average, but well down on the official maximum.

Tasting Notes:

A ripe, intense and steely Chardonnay, offering a ripe dessert apple character balanced by a high degree of tension and layered complex minerality. Hints of smoky gunflint, some peach and wet stones. Crisp, structured and powerful, this is a stunning wine that will age 5-10 years.





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| Specification | |
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| Vinification | Hand-picked, small baskets used to preserve fruit quality, pressing, then transfer into steel tanks and fermented for 12-14 days before ageing on lees for 18 months. |
| ABV | 13% |
| Size | 75cl |
| Drinking Window | Drink from 2025 |
| Country | France |
| Region | Burgundy |
| Area | Chablis |
| Type | White Wine |
| Grape Mix | 100% Chardonnay |
| Genres | Fine Wine |
| Vintage | 2022 |
| Style | Dry |
| Body | Elegant, crisp and delicate |
| Producer | Samuel Billaud |
| Producer Overview | <p>This domaine is a new addition to our Chablis range and I am sure it will be a huge success. Samuel Billaud is one of the most exciting winemakers in Chablis, rivalling the wines of Jean-Marie and Bernard Raveneau but at a fraction of the price. His 2019s are fabulous, a little lower in alcohol and higher in acidity than the 2018 vintage with fine depth and concentration as a result of lower yields. The vendange was early in 2019, starting at the beginning of September, and the wines are a winning combination of the minerality of 2017 and the richness of 2018. All the wines have been aged for 12-18 months on the fine lees in order to develop extra tension and complexity.</p> |
| Closure Type | Cork |