

Une classe à part.

Méridien Saint-Saphorin AOC Lavaux

Les terroirs de Lavaux



Viticulture

Terraced vineyards bordering Lake Geneva. 40% slope. Manual cultivation. Planting density 9'000 vines/hectare. Yield 1 kg/cep.

Grape

Selections of fendant roux - giclet – bois rouge

Terroir et Soils

Clayey gravel sediments; south-east facing. A 3 hectare plot at the extreme east of the appellation, periodically influenced by the foehn, benefiting from the earliest climate in Lavaux. Soil formed of clayey sediments and gravel on a bedrock of molasse.

Vinification

Aged on lees in oak barrels for 8 to 10 months.

Alcohol

12.8%

Degustation

Elegant nose with hints of lime blossom and white fruit. Full in the mouth, but fresh linden-tree, slightly lemony, with a nice persistence that is imposing by its fatness and fullness. A goldsmith's wine!

Ageing

5 to 8 years

Food and wine pairing

Wine for conviviality, Aperitif. Fillet of perch - féra, gratin, hard cheese or ewe's milk cheese.

Serving temperature 14°C.

The winery

Louis-Philippe Bovard – whose name is in its 10th generation – took the helm of his family's 13-hectare estate in 1983. He is a pioneer in the field and is responsible, among other things, for the introduction of new grape varieties (Chenin Blanc, Sauvignon Blanc and Syrah), the maturing of Chasselas in barrels, the creation of the Conservatoire Mondial du Chasselas (with the aim of researching older, more qualitative selections) and the creation of an important collection of old Dézaley vintages. The estate has been awarded the highest distinctions. It is one of the icons of Swiss wine and enjoys international recognition.



Reputation

In Robert Parker's wine list since 2015 (with 17 wines rated from 90 to 93 points),

Louis-Philippe Bovard, along with 5 other winemakers, was awarded the title of "Icon of Swiss Wine" by the Gault&Millau guide in 2016.

Louis-Philippe Bovard is one of the founding members of the Barony of Dézaley, Arte Vitis (innovative winegrowers from the canton of Vaud) and the "Mémoire des vins suisses".