



# Louis Latour

MAISON FONDÉE EN 1797

## CORTON-CHARLEMAGNE GRAND CRU

2011

- REGION Côte de Beaune
- VILLAGE Aloxé-Corton
- APPELLATION Corton-Charlemagne Grand Cru
- GRAPE VARIETY Chardonnay

### *The Vine*

- AVERAGE VINE AGE 30 years
- SOIL Stony limestone.
- AVERAGE YIELD 40 hl/ha
- HARVEST Hand picked

### *Vinification & Ageing*

- FERMENTATION Traditional in oak barrels with complete malolactic fermentation
- AGEING 8 to 10 months ageing in oak barrels, 100% new
- BARRELS Louis Latour cooperage, French oak, medium toasted

### *Description*

After the ravages of the phylloxera epidemic at the end of the 19th century the Latour family took the then, unusual decision to tear up the dead Aligoté and Pinot Noir vines, and replace them with Chardonnay. This decision led them to create one of Burgundy's most celebrated white whites.

Today the Latour family owns 10.5 hectares which makes them the biggest owner in the appellation. The Latour's Corton-Charlemagne vineyards are located on a prime section of the Corton hillside where the south-easterly aspect ensures maximum exposure to the sun. The fruit is harvested as late as possible to guarantee maximum ripeness.

### *Wine tasting*

- TASTING NOTE With a golden yellow colour, the Corton-Charlemagne 2011 has a complex but intense nose. With notes of vanilla, mocha and nut, this wine is ample with a round structure. One discovers hints of almond pastes with a lovely mineral finish.
- CELLARING POTENTIAL 10-15 years
- FOOD PAIRING Shellfish - lobster - foie gras - fish - mature cheeses.
- SERVING TEMPERATURE 12-14°

### *Press review*

Corton-Charlemagne Grand Cru 2011 - Tom Cannavan's wine-pages.com - August 2015 - 94/100

Corton-Charlemagne Grand Cru 2011 - Wine Enthusiast - September 2014 - 94/100

Corton-Charlemagne Grand Cru 2011 - Wine Spectator Insider- July 2014 - 92/100

Corton-Charlemagne Grand Cru 2011 - Jancis Robinson - February 2013 - 17/20

Corton-Charlemagne Grand Cru 2011 - Tim Atkin 2011 Burgundy Special Report - UK - 91/100

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