



Louis Latour

MAISON FONDÉE EN 1797

CORTON-CHARLEMAGNE GRAND CRU 2012

- 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 The Corton-Charlemagne 2012 is beautiful yellow in colour with light golden tints. Powerful aromas of fresh almond emerge accompanied by nice mellow oaky notes. It is an ample wine with good length. Let it age a few years before it reaches its peak.
- CELLARING POTENTIAL 10-15 years
- FOOD PAIRING Shellfish - lobster - foie gras - fish - mature cheeses.
- SERVING TEMPERATURE 12-14°

Press review

- Corton-Charlemagne Grand Cru 2012 - Tim Atkin - February 2014 - 93/100 (UK)
- Corton-Charlemagne Grand Cru 2012 - Wands - January 2015 - 17/20
- Château Corton Grancey Grand Cru 2012 - Wine Chronicles - May 2016 - 94/100
- Corton-Charlemagne Grand Cru 2012 - Wine Chronicles - May 2016 - 90/100
- Corton-Charlemagne Grand Cru 2012 - Wine Spectator - Juin 2015 - 93/100
- Corton-Charlemagne Grand Cru 2012 - The Sunday Business Post - February 2015 - 93/100 (Ireland)
- Corton-Charlemagne Grand Cru 2012 - Apstein on Wine - December 2014 - 94/100
- Corton-Charlemagne Grand Cru 2012 - Burghound.com - June 2014 - 93/100
- Corton-Charlemagne Grand Cru 2012 - Burgundy Report - June 2014 - "impressive"
- Corton-Charlemagne Grand Cru 2012 - Jancis Robinson - January 2014 - 17/20

