Louis Latour

MAISON FONDÉE EN 1797

Montrachet Grand Cru
2023

- **Region** Côte de Beaune
- **Village** Puligny-Montrachet
- **Appellation** Montrachet Grand Cru
- **Grape variety** Chardonnay

The Vine

- **Average vine age** 40 years
- **Soil** Chalk, gravel, limestone.
- **Average yield** 35 hl/ha
- **Harvest** Hand picked

Vinification & Ageing

- **Fermentation** Traditional in oak barrels with complete malolactic fermentation.
- **Ageing** 10 to 12 months ageing in oak barrels, 100% new.
- **Barrels** Louis Latour cooperage, French oak, medium toasted.

Description

Montrachet Grand Cru covers only 8 hectares between Puligny-Montrachet and Chassagne-Montrachet. This particular area was known during the 13th century as 'Mont Rachas'. 'La rache' in the Burgundian dialect is commonly known as ringworm, a skin disease that causes hair loss. This baldness gives its name to the bare and stony hillside, which grew only thorny bushes until vines were planted. The terroir of Montrachet is a notable exception because its brown soils, usually reserved for Pinot Noir, transforms the Chardonnay into one of the greatest white wines in the world. The east exposure captures sunlight later in the evening. These factors are critical to achieve optimal ripeness. Our grapes come from a parcel with an area of 0.80 hectares which extends from the top to the bottom of the slope in the central part of North Montrachet, situated on the Puligny-Montrachet side.

Wine tasting

- **Tasting Note** With its brilliant pale yellow colour, this Grand Cru has a powerful nose of pineapple, brioche, and fresh almond. A well-structured, well-balanced wine with a full, seductive mouthfeel, and aromas of almond and vanilla. It has excellent length and a saline finish.
- **Cellaring Potential** 10-15 years
- **Food Pairing** Large shellfish - lobster - fish - foie gras.
- **Serving temperature** 12-14°

Press review

Montrachet Grand Cru 2023 - Burgundy Report - "Ultra-impressive length"
Montrachet Grand Cru 2023 - James Suckling - 99/100
Montrachet Grand Cru 2023 - Burghound.com - 92-94/100
Montrachet Grand Cru - Wine Spectator - 96/100