



DOMAINE MONGEARD-MUGNERET

VOUGEOT 1^{er} CRU "LES CRÂS"

APPELLATION D'ORIGINE CONTRÔLÉE

TOTAL AREA UNDER
THIS APPELLATION
3ha 74a 71ca

AREA UNDER
PRODUCTION
AT THE DOMAINE
31a 67ca

SOIL
**Hard limestone
with little clay**

ALTITUDE
240 meters

GRAPE VARIETIES
100% Pinot Noir

AVERAGE
AGE OF VINES
73 years

HARVESTING
**By hand exclusively,
hand-sorted
in the winery**

DESTEMMING
**According
to the quality
of the vintage**

MATURING
**30 to 40%
new oak barrels**

The wine's character

Appearance: Deep and luminous in color, with dark purplish-violet tones that signal intensity.

Aroma: Violet and red or black fruits (raspberry, morello cherry, blackberry, and blackcurrant) dominate, occasionally joined by cocoa. Its deep red hue underscores both finesse and allure. With age, notes of underbrush, dead leaves, truffle, and game emerge, with subtle touches of leather and cured meat.

Palate: Generally generous and expressive, it reflects its terroir with clarity. Its shoulders are broad, yet the tannins remain refined. The attack is forthright. Richness and acidity form a simple, pleasing harmony—sometimes tinged with licorice. This Premier Cru shows a kinship with Chambolle-Musigny. Its stony soil, with excellent drainage, yields a perfumed and elegant wine.

Terroir, origin, and identity

The toponym "Crâs" likely derives from *crai*, a medieval term referring to stony subsoils composed of rounded pebbles over clay—residues from glacial-era alluvium that once filled the Saône Valley. Vines thrive here when the *crai* is covered by a deep enough layer of topsoil. The vineyards lie between 240 and 280 meters in elevation. The soils are brown limestone and shallow toward the top, giving way to fine-textured clay-marl lower down where the slope fades. These soils and subsoils closely resemble those in the northern sector of Clos de Vougeot.



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