

'Centre Loire' (upper Loire) is the part of the Loire on the continental side and also on the sentimental side where the heart of the Sauvignon Blanc beats. The evocation of envy, greed by these appellations creates a rare alchemy... J.de Villebois continues his work of exploration, quest, and to listen in order to fully feel the nuances of these soils. This work, which is to stay as close as possible to the terroirs and the winegrowers, has enabled Villebois to create a range of wines. Discover the Villebois spirit that is infused in the heart of each wine in every range, like an extra soul that reveals more than just sensations and emotions.



SANCERRE ROUGE

Geographically close, Sancerre has the fortune to share the Pinot Noir grape variety with neighbouring Burgundy. Superstar grape, Pinot Noir flourishes perfectly on the 'Caillottes' and 'Terres Blanches' slopes of the Sancerre appellation. J. de Villebois is making **an exceptional foray into the world of great Pinot Noirs** with his red Sancerre. Produced in small quantities and vinified with a Burgundian sensibility, it is a 'favourite' cuvée which magnificently completes the range alongside the universe of the 'whites' of Villebois!

VINEYARD

Pinot Noir is a delicate grape variety that requires meticulous attention in the vineyard. To obtain a healthy harvest with excellent phenolic maturity, the formula is simple: controlled yields, balanced vines, inter-row grassing, mechanical weeding... The grapes are harvested by hand in whole bunches to avoid any maceration and to respect the integrity of the grapes.

FOOD PAIRING

Decant it when young so that it expresses all of its aromas and its silky texture. We recommend it with **grilled guinea fowl, duck breast or cow's milk cheeses** (aged Comté). A delight for those who know how to wait!

Pinot Noir / Serving temperature: 16-18°C

MILLÉSIME 2022

For our Sancerre rouge tradition, we primarily seek fruit and balance to produce a fresh expression of red Sancerre. The vines are planted in plots rich in Caillottes and Griottes soils, around the village of Bué, Crézancy and Sancerre. The wine is exclusively vinified in vats to preserve the beautiful fruit that 2022 afforded us.

Tasting notes

Intense ruby colour. The open nose reveals black and red fruits such as blackcurrant and raspberry. The attack is crunchy and fresh. The wine is rich and fleshy in the mouth, with beautiful fresh red fruit. Persistent fruit-forward finish revealing notes of Burla cherry.