



2014 MAISON L'ENVOYÉ MOULIN-à-VENT

REGION: Beaujolais, Burgundy
VARIETALS: Gamay Noir
MATURATION: 11 months in 3rd use French oak barriques
ANALYSIS: 13% alc/vol | TA: 6.0 g/L | pH: 3.62

REGION:

Known as the King of Beaujolais, the highly acclaimed Moulin-à-Vent Cru boasts the most full-bodied and structured wines found in the region. Grapes for the Maison L'Envoyé Moulin-à-Vent come from the Terre de Thé vineyard, where the distinctive tea-colored soil produces wine with red and black fruit characters and a lengthy, complex finish.

WINEMAKING:

The fruit was de-stemmed and the whole berries underwent a long, natural ferment utilizing wild yeasts in open-top vessels. The wine matured over the following 11 months in third use French oak, achieving a subtle integration of oak spice characters.

TASTING NOTES:

Layers of dark berry fruits leap from the glass accompanied by subtle dried flower and herb aromas. Blackberry and black cherry flavors lead on the generous palate and are balanced by a line of refreshing, well defined minerality. Supple tannins provide an excellent frame to the complex flavors and voluminous mouthfeel. The wine finishes with precision, leaving flavors of juicy berries and touches of clove. An incredibly versatile and delicious wine.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM:

92 pts - Vinous, 90 pts/Best Buy - Wine & Spirits

ABOUT MAISON L'ENVOYÉ:

Driven by a tireless hunt for elusive sites where Pinot Noir shines, Maison L'Envoyé, 'The House of the Messenger' traverses the globe with the intention of presenting the acme of regionality and winemaking styles. With winemaking footprints in Burgundy, Willamette Valley and Tasmania, we champion many unsung growers who have farmed their vineyards for decades and generations, some mere feet away from more illustriously cited neighbors. This project has been a standout since our debut in 2011 including Wine & Spirits naming Maison L'Envoyé a 'Winery To Watch' in 2015.



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