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Domaine LIVERA



Damien LIVERA , a shy 22 year old at the time , took over the family Estate in 2005 . His forebears established the Domaine in 1920 when the Livera s first acquired vines in Gevrey along with their cousins , the Ponsot family from Morey St Denis . Damien’s first initiative was the upgrading and renovating of vineyards and winery .As a result a state of the art facility was operational from 2008 and quality has taken a quantum leap forward with some stunning wines being made . Not surprisingly ,Damien is close to Arnaud MORTET who has been very helpful in providing advice amongst others . Damien has a naturally inquisitive nature so understanding a vineyard and how to get the best out of it is child’s play for him .

VINIFICATION : Damien takes the view that the raw material is different every year in Burgundy and one should fine tune the details Extraction is adapted to the vintage and new wood treatment varies from 20% on Fixin and Cote de Nuits through 30/40% on villages and 100 % for the grand Cru .3 different coopers are used

Bourgogne : from a single plot planted in the early 1960s aged in casks A Bourgogne made from grapes grown within the border of gevrey Chambertin with great structure and a finesse above its station .

Cotes de Nuits –Villages : vine planted in late 50s lying in Brochon_ Broad and rich with the meaty texture of the Brochon terroir

Fixin AC : 2 plots planed late 1960 s : L Olivier at top on limestone and La Place in mid slope on white marl _ 14 p Approx 1 Hectare A fine , elegant , aromatic Fixin presumably because of the lighter soil

Gevrey Chambertin En Champs (acquired 2010) on the Brochon side in upper mid slope below 1ER CRU Champeaux Big dollop of smoke and mineral on the nose with bold structure billowing length

Gevrey Chambertin Les Evocelles (acquired 2010) Nestling high up and facing due south in a mini reflecting bowl Hence the epithet “solaire “ (sunny) The bouquet is liquorice and black fruit with stylish texture ; seamless and compact “ 1er cru quality

Gevrey Chambertin Clos Village : planted early 60s The Clos lies 150 yards from the famed Clos St Jacques and other top 1ERS CRUS 1/3 new oak + 2 and 3 year old casks This Clos has something special since the underlying limestone contains myriad fossilized oyster shells . The bouquet is unfalteringly mineral and dark fruit while for the palate has massive structure and depth with an unmistakable saline streak .

Chapelle Chambertin Grand Cru : planted early 50s vines lying immediately below the Clos de Bèze in the Gêmeaux sub climat of this Grand Cru Violets and peonies with a silky , intensely flavoured ethereal finish

