

Les Loups Noirs 2020

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DOMAINE DE
NERLEUX



Amélie Neau, 9th generation winegrower at the "Domaine de Nerleux", is offering you this complex and full-bodied "Saumur-Champigny".

Production

Terroir : Clay and Limestone

Grape Variety : Cabernet Franc

Situation : Very steep slopes (the parcel of Tire-Savatte and Marcadeux). Severe pruning, tillage of alternate rows, with grassing of the other row

Area : 1.5 hectares

Rendement : 30 hl/ha

Soil worked and grass cover on alternate rows

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Vinification

Harvested by hand on September 29th 2020.

Manual sorting before total destalking the grapes, long and gentle maceration: 32 days with grape marc immersed at the end of fermentation

Alcohol: 13.9° - Acidity: 3.5

Maturation

18 months in barrels (15% new)

Final assembly with a part of the same wine aged in tank

Bottled in March 2021.

Serve : 18-20°

Decanting 1 to 2 hours before consumption is recommended

Conservation: 6 to 9 years

Tasting

The garnet **color** with ruby reflections, of a beautiful intensity is particularly bright and luminous.

With great finesse, perfect elegance, but also a nice depth, **the nose** combines the aromas of small red fruits and black fruits, a floral touch and delicate woody and vanilla notes of its ageing in barrels.

The attack is round, soft and velvety, at the same time... the power in a velvet glove. The tannins brought by the ripe Cabernet franc and the passage in barrels structure this beautiful red wine, but they are silky.

Wine Pairings

- Tasty red meat (grilled beef ribs with vine shoots,
- Tournedos Rossini, lamb shoulder with rosemary
- Small game birds (duck ...) or large game (wild boar, deer ...)
- Soft cheeses (reblochon, brie fermier)

Awards

Gold medal - Concours des Vins du Val de Loire 2023