



Amélie Neau, 9th generation winegrower at the "Domaine de Nerleux", is offering you this lovely "Saumur Champigny" made with old vines (50 to 80 years).



Production

Terroir: Clay and Limestone **Grape Variety**: Cabernet Franc

Area: 5 hectares Rendement: 40 hl/ha

Soil worked and grass cover on alternate rows **IN CONVERSION TO ORGANIC FARMING**



Vinification

Harvest on October 14 and 15, 2021.

Total destemming of grapes.

Long, gentle maceration: 19 to 21 days, controlled temperatures temperature control (23-28°C), gentle pumping over using a 20hl balloon inserted in the vat, deflated daily.

Degree: 13.7° - Acidity: 3.5



Maturation

At the end of malolactic fermentation, the wine is aerated, then racked sparingly over the following 15 months to preserve its aromatic complexity. Pre-assembly of the various vats in November 2022, followed by the end of ageing until bottling in December 2022.



Serve: 18-20°

Ideal immediate consumption but can evolve 5 to 7 years.



Tasting

The garnet-red color is deep and limpid. clarity.

The olfactory attack is dominated by aromas of red fruit cherries, a hint of fern and blue flowers.

The palate is both supple and round. The same aromas aromas of red berries with a hint of black fruit and liquorice. notes of licorice. The tannins are silky with their small grains characteristic of the Saumur Champigny.



Wine Pairings

- Firm-fleshed fish with a reduced cream sauce of the same wine.
- Red meats (tournedos rossini, beef tartare, lamb chops...)
- Feathered game and their counterparts of farmyard
- Cheese: Brie, St Marcellin,...



Awards

Gold Medal - Concours des Vins Saumurois 2023 Bronze Medal - Concours des Vins du Val de Loire 2023 1 star - Guide Hachette des Vins 2024