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500 ANS D'HISTOIRE

SANCERRE CUVEE PIERRE-ETIENNE 2018

Historic Cuvée. Tradition and minerality.



THE VINEYARD

- Terroir:** clay flint.
- Grape variety:** Sauvignon Blanc.
- Surface area:** 2 acres.
- Age of vines:** 35 years.
- Sustainable agriculture:** mechanical tillage.



CLIMATIC CONDITIONS

- Winter:** fresh and rainy.
- Spring:** spring frosts, heat and rain.
- Summer:** dry with heatwaves.
- Autumn:** very warm and sunny.

HARVEST

Mid-September



WINEMAKING

- Harvest:** mechanical.
- Pressing:** direct with pneumatic press and juice selection.
- Cold settling.**
- Fermentation:** in fine grained oak barrels from the local forests. One third of the barrels are renewed each year.
- Ageing:** 11 months in barrels with regular stirring of the lees, then 12 months in vats.



TASTING NOTE

- Robe:** yellow hue with golden highlights.
- Nose:** intense with plum, orange liquor and a nice woody nose.
- Palate:** the attack is just as intense and precise. It fills the palate and let a mineral sensation. The wood is discreetly present. It brings fleshy and complexity that balances the saline side of the finish. A racy and precise wine.



FOOD & WINE PAIRINGS

Enjoy with a fillet of turbot fried with sea urchins and vegetables, calf sweetbread with a creamy seafood linguine or simply with a cheese plate of Crottins de Chavignol or other ripened cheeses.

