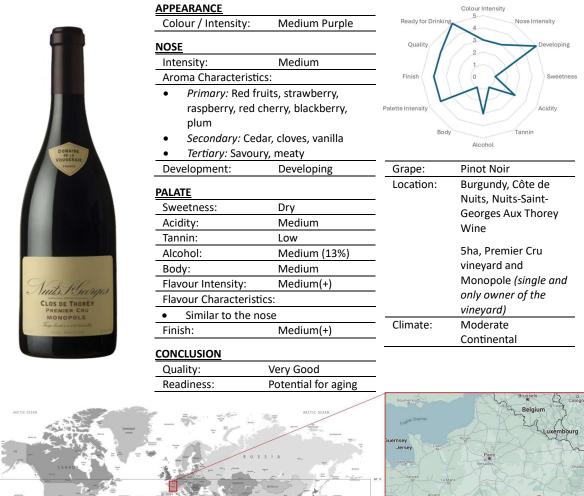
# **Clos De Theory Monopole**

## Domaine De La Vougeraie





## About the region:

Burgundy is the known as the "home" of Pinot Noir, with some of the most examples located within the Burgundy region, been the benchmark where all Pinot Noir produced around the world are compared with.

The soils are calcareous providing the limestone characteristics of flavour to the wine and a optimal vine growing environment as not too much water is retained. However Burgundy producers face many environmental challenges such as rain fall affecting budding and flowering, spring frost and hail; hence some years the yields are low resulting in the famously expensive Burgundy prices.

## About the grape:

Pinot Noir is a black grape with thin skinned with light to medium colour, resulting in soft tannins. It is a fussy and difficult grape to grow, suited for cool to moderate climates and if not grown in the right conditions the delicate and complex red fruit and floral characteristics become jammy and undesirable. It is an also a grape that takes on the flavours of the *terrior*.

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## Similar Wines:

Finding the best locations for Pinot Noir are difficult. Some notable regions producing wines comparable at a fraction of the prices to Burgundy are Central Otago (New Zealand) and Yarra Valley (Australia).



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Region:

Burgundy, France

Grape Variety: 100% Pinot Noir

### **Tasting Note:**

The wine is dry with medium(+) acidity, medium alcohol, medium fine tannins and medium body. It has a medium (+) flavour intensity and a medium(+) finish. The flavours are of raspberry, strawberry, violet, vanilla, tobacco, earth, mushroom and forest floor.

#### About the Château:

The name of the Domaine de la Vougeraie is derived from Vougeot and the Vouge, the small stream flowing through the village. Le Domaine de la Vougeraie was founded in 1999, uniting under a single signature the 91 acres of vineyards owned by the Boisset family. The vineyards are in 30 different appellations in the Côte d'Or, with two-thirds in the Côte de Nuits and one-third in the Côte de Beaune. The first vineyard, purchased by Jean-Claude and Claudine Boisset in 1964, is the single vineyard Gevrey-Chambertin "Les Evocelles", and the latest jewel, the Vougeot Premier Cru "Le Clos Blanc de Vougeot" Monopole is part of the 24 acres in the Vougeot appellation. Pierre Vincent, the winemaker, focuses on the pure expression of Burgundian terroir using organic farming and biodynamics, respecting the environment and making truly unique wines. 100% of the vineyards are certified organic by Ecocert since the 2007 harvest.

#### Viticulture and Vinification:

The vineyards, solidly seated on middle Jurassic sedimentary formations, are cut in two by the town, where the Meuzin stream flows out of the Combe de la Serrée. To the north lies Vosne-Romanée, to the south, Premeaux-Prissey. Being exposed to a variety of directions, the characteristic tastes vary, with more rustic wines to the south of the village. The vineyard has a surface size of 3.0771 ha with very chalky soil and exposed to the South. The vineyard has organic agriculture official approval since 2012.

The wine is made by 16% whole bunches, not crushed and vatted by gravity, no yeast addition. The grapes kept cold (12-15 degree Celsius) for 5 days pre-fermentation with 17 days maceration with light pumping-over until the end of vatting time. The wine aged for 18 months in oak barrels. 30% of the barrels are new and the origin of wood is from Cîteaux and Tronçais.

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