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MOUTARD-DILIGENT CHABLIS GRAND CRU LES CLOS

Splashy lay-down that makes your tongue taste in color and history.

MOUTARD-DILIGENT



CONCEPTUAL DOPPELGÄNGER

There is a profound misconception that sophisticated things cannot be funny. Funny may not be the right word here, but you get my drift. Whence reverence is commanded by provenance and reputation, it can be very shocking when you are delighted or charmed in the face of such hefty bona fides. I saw Celine Dion on *The Voice*, where she was a guest coach for the young singers. They were all gobs-smacked at sharing a room and being taught by this legendary singer with an accent. And then she displayed her abilities, in conjunction with some mirth and dare I say, goofiness? I may not yet pony up the ticket price to see her in Vegas, but I am ever so much closer.

WINEMAKER Francois Moutard

REGION Chablis, Grand Cru
Les Clos

GRAPE VARIETY Chardonnay

SOIL Clay, limestone with
Kimmeridgian topsoil

AGE OF VINES Oldest plantings
in 1954 to 1990

PRODUCTION 690 bottles

VITI VINI A good farmer, Francois' practices in the vineyard are sustainable. All the fruit is harvested by hand. All the fruit is harvested by hand. Gentle whole bunch pressing. 100% barrel fermented on lees. No additions, with the fermentations occurring naturally. Bottling a minimum of 10 months after harvest. Minimal fining, filtration and sulfur additions with the aim to preserve the character of that particular vintage.

PRODUCER Moutard-Diligent represents a union between two families, each with a long and rich history of wine production in the Aube district that goes back 4 centuries. In the 18th century, Chablis and the surrounding appellations were essentially an extension of this district of Champagne. Both families have deep experience producing both still and sparkling wines from Chardonnay and Pinot Noir grapes. It was Francois' entrepreneurial spirit that led to a decision to purchase 2 historical Domaines in Chablis in 2004. It was a natural return to his roots. History, tradition and a commitment to unsurpassable quality define the domaine.

