

CHAMPAGNE
CHARTOGNE-TAILLET
Vigneron à *Merfy* depuis 1683

MERFY
HEURTEBISE



The Wine : Heurtebise
The Plot : Les Heurtes Bises

THE WINE'S SPECIFICITIES



Colour:
Dazzling / Bright Yellow
with green lights



TEXTURE

The Heurtebise plot gives us wines with an Angular, Vibrant texture. A mid and upper palate salivation marks this Champagne,

accompanied by a crystalline and sometimes tannic consistency. The sandstone minerality adds nervousness to this wine.

AGING

Wines from Heurtebise are aged in 228-litre casks to accommodate the natural tension of these juices when certain casks are opened.

The minerality is enrobed in non-tannic sweetness from the Burgundian casks for a period ranging from 9 to 18 months. The aging has a greater influence on the Heurtebise than for other wines from neighbouring plots.



THE PLOT'S SOIL



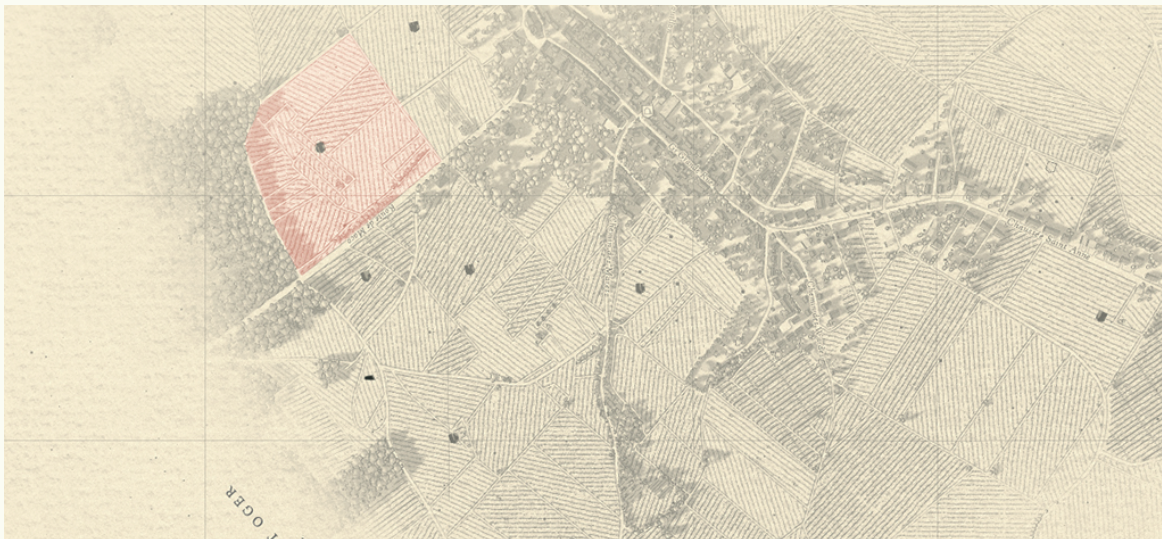
Soil colour: Yellowish brown

Moisture: Soil varying from dry to moist depending on climatic conditions. Thanetian sands mixed with clay on sandstone.

Exposure: South

These vines are situated on a sandstone soil, less permeable than the neighbouring chalk or "Tuf" soils. This impacts the vines, which adapt to excess water or dryness. Heurtebise is, as its name suggests, a plot located on a windy plateau. The work of the wine grower on this plot is to adapt the plant's response to climatic variations. In a wet year, I favour high foliage and aeration of the foliage in order to consume the soil's water

via the plants' evapotranspiration and the wind. Ground cover can also play an important role in limiting the availability of nutrients to the plants. Conversely, in a dry year, we pinch back the foliage, to limit the rapid absorption of water from the soil. Although this plot is situated on a very gentle slope, we may need to work the soil everywhere (adjacent to and within the rows), so water rises from the subsoil when needed.



CADASTRAL REFERENCES OF PLOTS



Total Area: 5ha80a65ca
Chartogne-Taillet Area: 1ha67a48ca
Varieties: 83% Chardonnay / 12% Pinot Noir / 5% Meunier
Year of planting: 1972 - 1985 - 1986 - 2010
Exposure: South
Type of clay: Illites: 245 m2 / gr

Merfy	Section b n°50x	77a49ca	Chardonnay	1980
Merfy	Section b n°18x	23a18ca	Chardonnay	1985
Merfy	Section b n°452	06a56ca	Arbanne	1986

Soil level, Chardonnay plant

Thanetian limestone sands
58% sand, 22% silt, 16% clay

Sandstone



80 cm
deep