

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE REGISTRATION OF THE GEOGRAPHICAL INDICATION

NAME OF THE GEOGRAPHICAL INDICATION

Chablis

PRODUCT CATEGORY

Wine

COUNTRY OF ORIGIN

France

APPLICANT

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PROTECTION IN THE COUNTRY OF ORIGIN

Date of Protection in the European Union: 18.9.1973

Date of Protection in the Member State: Decree of 13 January 1938 (published in the Official Gazette on January 20, 1938)

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

- **Raw Material**

Chardonnay B

- **Alcohol content :**

10% vol

- **Physical Appearance**

White wine

DESCRIPTION OF THE GEOGRAPHICAL AREA

The geographical area is located in the Yonne administrative district, at an equal distance from Paris and Beaune. The vineyard is located in the northern part of Burgundy and spreads over 17 municipalities, France.

The specific nature of Chablis lies in the limestone soil formed in the Kimmeridgian period. The soil can be recognized by the presence of small oysters called Exogyra Virgula.

LINK WITH THE GEOGRAPHICAL AREA

This exclusively white wine, with designation of origin ' Chablis ' owes its lively and fresh taste to the ocean climate of the geographical area.

The mesoclimatic conditions determine the growing potential and expression of the wines and the vintage. The parcels located on the slopes are those which best ensure good drainage and early soil warming and optimal harvest conditions.

" Chablis " occupies a special place in the Burgundian region with the apparent simplicity of its "territory", with its simple geological context, one variety and a single type of wine. However, the combination of a complex topography, soils and a difficult climate with a wide variety of environmental conditions, lead to certain nuances.

Over generations , farmers have developed a specific expertise that allows them to make the best of the variety Chardonnay B in this environment. For example, they have favoured pruning techniques to perfectly master production performance and ensure optimal ripening, and have developed methods to combat frost.

The wide variety of conditions is apparent in the nuances that the wines present. Thus, the original character of the wines ' Chablis ' goes from fruity to mineral. The richness of this range , backed by a long and prestigious history, has been enhanced by the recognition of numerous " climates " and awarded the " premier cru " .

The strong personality of the wines, recognized over time, becomes the archetype of the great dry whites. The " Chablis type " is known worldwide and has often led to usurpation, extending even to the use of its name as a generic term .

Wines of ' Chablis ' are appreciated worldwide . Exports represent 60% of sales.

SPECIF RULES FOR LABELLING, IN CASE THESE EXIST

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