

Domaine Pichot Vouvray Les Larmes de Bacchus

THE FACTS

COUNTRY: France

REGION: Loire

APPELLATION: Vouvray

CEPAGE: 100% Chenin Blanc

ALCOHOL BY VOLUME: 12.0%

AGING: 12 months in new oak barrels

THE STORY

Jean-Claude Pichot's family is one of the oldest in Vouvray, with origins as viticulturists and restaurateurs dating back to 1739. The family cellars are located in the charming village of Vouvray, in caverns hewn from the rolling hills which were once quarried to provide stone to construct the grand châteaux of the Loire. Domaine Pichot was established in 1996, uniting the three historic vineyards of the family: Coteau de la Biche, Le Peu de la Moriette, and Le Marigny. The vineyards are all in Vouvray, six miles east of Tours on the right bank of the Loire River. The vines are 30 years old on average and are all Chenin Blanc. In an era when most Vouvray wines are bottled by

négociants, the stylish wines of the Pichot family continue to show the perfumed elegance of Chenin Blanc.

THE ADJECTIVES

OVERALL: Pleasant & Crisp

AROMAS / FLAVORS: Exotic fruits, fig, marmalade

MOUTHFEEL: Balanced acidity

THE SELLING POINTS

Sweet wine from 40-70 year old vines

AWARDS: 93pts Wine Enthusiast

PAIRINGS: Maltese Sauce

