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| PROVENANCE | IGP PAYS d'Oc Limoux, South of France in Occitanie |
| VARIETY | Chardonnay (85%), Chenin blanc (15%) |
| TERROIR | 300 m /340 m. altitude. High terrace of Upper Aude Valley Eocene molasse: pebble rich sandstones and marls Confluence of Mediterranean & Atlantic influences. Natura 2000 European protected nature reserve. |
| VITICULTURE | Ecological: wholly organic treatments, natural cover cropping, in (re)conversion to organic certification |
| YIELD | 45 hl / ha; 4,400 vines / ha 3 designated parcels of 15 – 19 year old vines. |
| VINIFICATION | Grapes sorted by hand prior to pressing Pneumatic pressing at low pressure Fermented at 18°, 4 months in stainless steel tanks Free-run juice vinified separately Crossflow filtration, fined with pea proteins and bentonite. |
| BOTTLING | 1 st bottling: January 2020 – 12000 bottles 2 nd bottling: March 2020 – 12,000 bottles |
| ANALYSIS | Alc: 13.5 % pH: 3.50 Res Sugar: 0 Total acidity: 3.84 g/L |
| HARVEST | Early morning machine harvest, September 4 and 5. The vines were not affected by the hottest, driest conditions during the growing period in history. Quality of the grapes was outstanding. |
| TASTING NOTES | An exuberant nose of yellow flowers, rich and round in the mouth balanced by nice acidity in the finish. |

LE CHARDONNAY DU DOMAINE 2019





Limoux celebrated its 80th anniversary as the first appellation of the Languedoc in 2018. Famous for its emblematic Blanquette de Limoux, the world's first sparkling wine, the region has also become respected for its outstanding chardonnay, chenin blanc and mauzac white Appellation wines. This chardonnay falls out of the appellation because it is machine-harvested and wholly vinified in stainless steel tanks. It is the house wine of many Michelin-star restaurants (with their own label) and has three times been among the Pays d'Oc trophy winners for best white wine. Domaine Rives-Blanques is a 20-ha single estate vineyard in the foothills of the French Pyrenees specialising in the white and sparkling wines of Limoux, owned and managed by the second generation of the Panman family. The vineyard is currently in the last year of its (re)conversion back to organic viticulture accreditation, and the wines are also vegan-friendly.



DOMAINE RIVES-BLANQUES

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