

2013 MAISON L'ENVOYÉ MOULIN-à-VENT

REGION :	Beaujolais, Burgundy
VARIETALS :	Gamay Noir
MATURATION :	11 months in 3rd use French oak
ALCOHOL :	13% alc/vol

VINEYARDS :

Known as the King of Beaujolais, the highly acclaimed Moulin-à-Vent Cru boasts the most full-bodied and structured wines found in the region. Grapes for the Maison L'Envoyé Moulin-à-Vent come from the Terre de Thé vineyard, where the distinctive tea-colored soil produces wine with red and black fruit characters and a lengthy, complex finish.

WINEMAKING :

The fruit was de-stemmed and the whole berries underwent a long, natural ferment utilizing wild yeasts in open-top vessels. The wine matured over the following 11 months in third use French oak, achieving a subtle integration of oak spice characters.

TASTING NOTES :

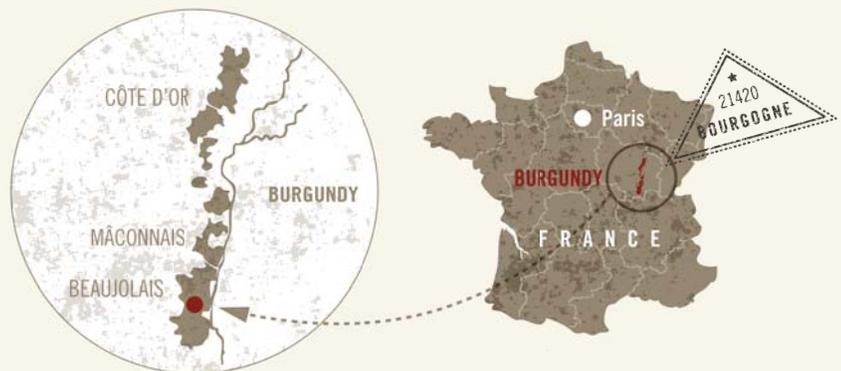
Raspberry and blackberry fruits abound, speckled with hints of violet and mushroom on the nose of the first vintage of Moulin-à-Vent. Ripe fruit opens the show on the generous, round palate, with clove spice bringing up the rear. This is a far cry from Beaujolais Nouveau. Rather, it's a complex, versatile wine that keeps us coming back for more.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM :

91 pts Vinous

ABOUT MAISON L'ENVOYÉ :

Driven by a tireless hunt for elusive sites where Pinot Noir shines, Maison L'Envoyé, 'The House of the Messenger' traverses the globe with the intention of presenting the acme of regionality and winemaking styles. With winemaking footprints in Burgundy, Willamette Valley and Tasmania, we champion many unsung growers who have farmed their vineyards for decades and generations, some mere feet away from more illustriously cited neighbors. This project has been a standout since our debut in 2011 including Wine & Spirits naming Maison L'Envoyé a 'Winery To Watch' in 2015.



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