



2016

Les Tourelles de la Crée
Montagny Blanc Premier Cru

APPELLATION AND VINEYARDS

Crafted by the venerable Château de la Crée estate, Les Tourelles de la Crée offers clean, pure expressions of Premier Cru Burgundian terroir. Our Montagny Premier Cru comes from 100% Chardonnay fruit grown in the limestone-rich soils that make Montagny the most highly regarded region for Chardonnay in Burgundy's Côte Chalonnaise.

VINTAGE CHARACTERISTICS

The 2016 vintage started off particularly cold, with a wet spring. Then, Burgundy was hit with a late frost. Although the frost damage was widespread, our vineyards were not affected. Luckily, just after the summer solstice in June, we then welcomed ample sun and above average temperatures to the Côte de Beaune and Côte Chalonnaise. This sudden change allowed the vines to recover their strength and prepared them for their journey. The summer was a period of prolonged warmth and was followed by a welcome rain in September – allowing the fruit to ripen beautifully. This mild weather continued until the end of October and allowed each vineyard the opportunity to be picked at ideal ripeness. Harvest began in mid-September and stretched over the following month. In the end, the 2016 vintage will be noted for high quality, ripe, and delicious grapes that will create wines of great beauty and finesse.

TASTING NOTES

This fresh and youthful Chardonnay reveals aromas of honeysuckle, white peach, and hazelnuts. The vibrant acidity is in harmonious balance with the weight of the wine and exudes a rich creaminess throughout the palate. This Premier Cru Montagny's refinement and delicacy are accentuated in the long, mouthwatering finish, showcasing its distinctive minerality.