

DOMAINE LE FIEF NOIR Val de Loire 'Cocagne'

Bound by devout dedication to these northern lands as well as the communal hands needed to produce world-class wines, winemakers Dominique Sirot and Alexis Soulas have put their heart, soul and extensive knowledge into capturing the power and finesse of Anjou's mineral-rich, "noir" soils in every bottle. All farming at Fief Noir is organically and biodynamically guided, with the goal of bringing "the flow of sap right into the glass." Their wines, marked by a riveting freshness and luminous character, set a new standard not just for Anjou but also for the Loire Valley.



Paris

Loire Valley

WINERY: Domaine Le Fief Noir

WINEMAKERS: Dominique Sirot and Alexis Soulas

ESTABLISHED: 2014

REGION: FRANCE • Loire Valley • Saint Lambert du Lattay

APPELLATION: Val de Loire IGT

BLEND: 100% Grolleau

VINEYARDS: A selection of fruit from plots with a range of expositions, with soils rich in sand, and subsoils of black schist.

AGE OF VINES: 30-70 years

WINEMAKING: Hand-harvested. Short maceration on full cluster for one week; fermented on indigenous yeasts in concrete tanks. Aged in concrete tanks for 6 months. Unfined and unfiltered.

TASTING IMPRESSIONS: Aromas suggest pie cherry and red summer fruit, lightly peppery; flavors are suave and juicy, mouth-watering. Red fruits, spice, fresh.

PAIRING SUGGESTIONS: As an aperitif; roasted chicken with fresh herbs; regional goat cheese; French pâté with green peppercorns

NOTES: Cocagne in French refers to a land (often imaginary) of plenty; a place where anything is possible, an Eldorado.

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