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## NEWSLETTER

### ESPRIT LEFLAIVE

#### The Inimitable Spirit of Domaine Leflaive Extends to Chablis and Côte de Nuits

Earlier this month, we welcomed **Esprit Leflaive Managing Partner Brice de la Morandière** in Las Vegas, Chicago, and New York to introduce the 2021 vintage to the U.S.

This new micro-négociant project is the Domaine's first venture beyond the Côte de Beaune and the Mâconnais to highlight Chablis and Côte de Nuits terroirs.

According to Brice: *"I want liberty with Esprit Leflaive. We don't want to be too 'snobbish' with a range of entirely Grands and Premiers Crus. We really just want to be able to represent some of our favorite villages in Bourgogne."*

Esprit Leflaive sources its grapes from select organic and biodynamic winegrowers who farm in the same spirit as the Domaine. The grapes are harvested by the Domaine's team and then brought to the cellars in Puligny Montrachet for vinification.

This is the fourth vintage release from Esprit Leflaive, featuring Pinot Noirs and Chardonnays from Village up to Grand Cru. Regarding the Pinots in particular, which is a new endeavor for Brice and the Domaine team, Brice says: *"Nobody expects us to do reds, so it gives us a lot of creative freedom from a style standpoint. We want energy, crunchy red fruit, silky tannins ... Wines that are contemporary, but not necessarily 'in fashion.'"*

Read more about [Esprit Leflaive here](#).



### A Sneak Peek inside 2024 CHÂTEAU PEYRASSOL ROSÉ with General Manager Alban Cacaret

Château Peyrassol is the heart of the Commanderie's range, evoking a time-defying elegance and mineral complexity. [In this video](#), General Manager Alban Cacaret shares the harvest strategy, direct press method, and blending process that brings Peyrassol's signature style to your glass.



### Check out our complete 2024 ROSÉ PORTFOLIO — a curation from the finest rosé-producing appellations in France and Italy!



### A BIODYNAMIC FORCE

#### Nicolas Joly Makes His Return to New York City

For the first time since joining our National Portfolio in 2021, we were over the moon to welcome **Famille Joly Proprietor Nicolas Joly** to New York!

As one of the forefathers of biodynamics in the Loire Valley, Nicolas remains committed to terroir expression through his family's three single vineyards: **Les Vieux Clos**, **Clos de la Bergerie**, and the emblematic **Clos de la Coulée de Serrant Monopole**. You can experience the newly released 2023 vintage for yourself in our [Spring Luxury Offering](#).

On his understanding of biodynamics, Nicolas shares: *"When I taste a wine, I want to be touched by the secretness of nature. I want to forget everything I know and feel the charm. Biodynamics reveals the true music of nature."*

Nicolas and his daughter Virginie Joly also stopped by our Wholesale office in Flatiron to host a mind-blowing trade tasting featuring library vintages of Coulée de Serrant from 2007 to 1973 – encompassing the wine's true ability to stand the test of time.

