



GÉRAUD BLANC,
Winemaker

L A R O C H E

2021 LE PETIT CHARDONNAY

ABOUT THE WINERY

The history of Laroche dates to 1850, when Jean Victor Laroche purchased his first parcel of land in Chablis. Since then, Domaine Laroche has led movements to raise the quality of the appellation with the creation of a charter of excellence for the Grand Cru producers. The winery has also maintained a deep-rooted tradition of unique viticultural practices. The winemaking team designate one team member to each plot who is wholly responsible for the management of that vineyard from pruning and health of the soil to the quality and quantity of fruit yields. It is this philosophy that makes the expression of each Domaine Laroche wine individual and unparalleled in quality and style.

ABOUT THE WINE

With its expertise in Chardonnay, Laroche is launching a low proof Pays d’Oc wine in May 2021 on the 2020 vintage. The development of this wine is the result of an observation: drinking “*more responsibly*” is a growing concern among some consumers.

Made from grapes selected from cool terroirs in the Orb valley and in the Limoux area, this wine was pressed at night to avoid oxidation and limit the use of sulphur. This is followed by a light settling and a slow fermentation with Chardonnay-friendly yeasts (Burgundian).

KEY SELLING POINTS

- Presented in an enameled bottle, eco-designed with a recyclable cork made from sugar cane derivatives. Its “marinière” style was inspired by the nine locks of Fonseranes, an Unesco World Heritage site, 5 minutes from Mas La Chevaliere.
- The wine is aged on fine lees for 4 to 5 months. A small percentage is aged in wood (7.5%). To be noted is the use of vegetable fining agents (vegan wine) before cold stabilization. Finally, after aging, 20% of the alcohol is removed using a technique respectful of the wine, preserving its aromatic potential.

TECHNICAL DETAILS

Varietal Composition: 100% Chardonnay

Aging: 4-5 months on fine lees, a small percentage is aged in wood (7.5%)

Alcohol: 9.5%



“The wine expresses itself on the palate with great lightness. Notes of white fruits and flowers dominate. It is a refreshing and lively wine.”

– Géraud Blanc,
Winemaker, Mas La Chevaliere