



# VALKYRIE

SELECTIONS



## MAISON PASSOT



## FLEURIE 2018

**MAISON PASSOT** || Maison Passot is a small 11 hectare family property spread over 4 crus in Beaujolais. Owners Dominique, Rémy and Simon continue the family tradition, going back generations. The family tends 21 plots - half of which are in Chiroubles, one quarter in Morgon, and smaller holdings in Fleurie and Régnié - in addition to some Viognier vines. All farming follows strict tenets of *la lutte raisonnée* for a more “natural” wine, surrounded by signs of life and rich biodiversity.

**BEAUJOLAIS** || Located north of Lyon in eastern France, Beaujolais overlaps Burgundy in the north and Rhône in the south. The picturesque Beaujolais vineyards run along the Saône River where the Crus form a meandering path on the granite terrain. From south to north, Brouilly is followed by Côte de Brouilly, Régnié, Morgon, Chiroubles, Fleurie, Moulin-à-Vent, Chénas, Juliéna and Saint-Amour.

### FLEURIE 2018 ||

**BLEND** | 100% Gamay

**VINEYARDS** | Fleurie is widely considered the most delicate of the crus, covering an area of 855 contiguous hectares (about three square miles). The soil here is unique, almost entirely made up of pink granite. Maison Passot farms 50 year old vines in the Grand pré area of the Cru on east facing slopes.

**WINEMAKING** | Hand harvested grapes that undergo primary and malolactic fermentation in stainless steel and cement vats.

**ALCOHOL** | 13%

### TASTING NOTES | 93 VIN

“Youthful purple. Highly perfumed boysenberry, cherry and lavender scents show outstanding clarity and pick up a smoky mineral nuance with aeration. Sappy and sharply focused in the mouth, offering concentrated, mineral-drenched red fruit, floral pastille and spicecake flavors that deftly blend power and delicacy. Finishes with sharp focus and silky, even tannins that add gentle grip to the impressively long, floral-dominated finish.” -Josh Raynolds

