



# VALKYRIE

SELECTIONS



## MAISON PASCAL CLEMENT



### SAINT-AUBIN 1<sup>ER</sup> CRU “LE CHARMOIS” 2016

**PASCAL CLEMENT** || Pascal Clement was born in the village of Savigny-les-Beaune to a family of growers, where his father founded the Maison in 1950. After over 20 years as a grower and winemaker in the region – including his time at legendary Domaine Coche-Dury in Meursault - he launched his own micro-négociant project in 2012. The wines live in a stunning building built in 1850 with a splendid arched cellar, housing 200 barrels. Pascal works with fifteen farmers / owners with vineyard holdings across Burgundy, personally selecting and tending the plots he chooses to work with.

Pascal’s winemaking philosophy is very non-interventional. All the wines are fermented with native yeasts and undergo malolactic naturally (depending on vintage). In 2016, a “salty” year, the whites all completed malo while in 2015, Pascal chose to halt malolactic. The wines rest in barrel with no lees stirring/ bâtonnage. For reds, Pascal prefers Rousseau barrels and whites are in Damy, Billon, and François Frères. Recently, Pascal started moving to larger 500L casks for aging, finding better balance of wood to wine compared to the 225L Burgundy barrels he had been using.

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**BLEND** | 100% Chardonnay

**VINEYARDS** | In the heart of the Côte des Blancs, between Chassagne and Puligny, right next to Montrachet is the small village of Saint-Aubin. White soils of clay with a high limestone content on steep slopes oriented East or South-East. Le Charmois is an east facing vineyard that lies adjacent to the premier crus of Chassagne-Montrachet. This eastern exposure allows for more sun hours which contribute to the fuller body style wine.

**WINEMAKING** | Aged 16 months in French oak.

**WINEMAKER TASTING NOTES** | Young, it presents a combination of white flower, flint, green almond and orange blossom notes. With age, it develops rich notes of beeswax and honey, almond paste, amber, cinnamon. It is a firm, tender wine, a little sharp when young, then becoming full-bodied and complete, of great nobility.

