# **CHABLIS 2018**

The steep and rocky slopes stretching to the right and left of the Serein are the cradle of a history over one hundred and fifty million years old. A unique Kimmeridgian terroir, an alternation of marl and marly limestone, endows Chablis wines with a mineral character and immense freshness. A typicity that is envied, often imitated but never equalled. As incomparable and admirable as it may be, a terroir can only fully reveal its potential through the work of people. At Domaine William Fèvre, everything is done, regardless of the level of appellation, to express the authenticity of the Chablis terroirs.

#### ■ VINEYARD ATTRIBUTES

**Appellation**: AOC Chablis, Bourgogne, Chablis, France
The vines located in the Chablis appellation are situated on a Kimmeridgian subsoil and benefit from an ideal exposure, providing conditions conducive to the production of a great wine.

**Terroir**: The appellation extends on both sides of the Serein River, on a soil composed of Kimmeridgian marl and clayey limestone. The subsoils are rich in minerals and fossilized oysters, giving the distinctive mineral character to Chablis wines.

#### ■ VINTAGE SUMMARY

Winter brought particularly contrasting weather, with abundant rain in January and dry cold in February. Budbreak occurred in mid-April, followed by very rapid vegetative growth, encouraged by warm and dry weather. After harmless frosts in early May, flowering was quick and uniform at the end of May. Summer brought heat and sunshine, with occasional rain in August that promoted the ripening of the berries. Harvest began on September 3, with an exceptional state of health. 2018 offered us beautiful golden grapes of excellent maturity, with generous yields.

### ■ WINE MAKING SCHEME

Application of the principle of gravity to avoid any pumping, which could alter the quality of the wine. Short pneumatic pressing (1.5 to 2 hours) for a gentle separation between the solid and liquid parts of the grapes. Very light static racking to retain enough fine lees for the alcoholic and malolactic fermentations to occur naturally. Aging for 10 to 12 months in small stainless steel tanks to maintain freshness.

## **■ TASTING NOTES**

Fresh and elegant bouquet opening with notes of citrus, white-fleshed fruits, and flowers. The palate is both fresh and supple, supported by a beautiful minerality.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Varietals: Chardonnay 100%

