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CHABLIS 1^{ER} CRU "VAILLONS"



Francine Bachelier and her husband, Olivier Savary, own a small, highly-regarded estate in Maligny, which lies at the northern edge of the slope of the Grand Cru Chablis vineyards. Olivier markets his wines as Domaine Savary while Francine makes limited selections in the cellar for the wines of her own label. While the specialty here is top-quality Chablis Village, they own vines in two Premier Crus, the great “Fourchaume” and the “Vaillons.” “Vaillons 1er Cru” is one of the older recognized Crus in Chablis totaling 15ha. Lovely and classic wines come from this site with both vivacity and power.

Region:	Burgundy
Appellation:	Chablis
Owner:	Olivier Savary and Francine Bachelier
Established:	1883
Farming Practices:	Sustainable
Soil:	Limestone, clay and chalk
Vineyard:	.5 ha
Grape Varieties:	100% Chardonnay
Avg Age of Vines:	40 years
Yield/Hectare	58 hl/ha
Avg Production:	3,500 Bottles

Vinification and Élevage: Upon harvesting, grapes are gently pressed and allowed to settle. Fermentation and aging take place in stainless steel. The Premier Cru wines receive a touch of oak with about 20% aged in older oak barrels for added complexity.

Tasting Notes: Lime blossom, verbena, citrus and cream. Green apple and hazelnuts round out the picture. Flint mineral and fresh acidity.

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