

CHATEAU DE LAVERNETTE

Chateau de Lavernette is a historic property straddling the border of Beaujolais and Maconnais. The roughly 15ha of estate vineyards surround the Chateau. To its west are the Beaujolais vines, most of which are in the commune of Leynes, the northernmost of the 39 different Beaujolais Villages. To the east, in the commune of Chaintré, are the Pouilly Fuissé vineyards. The history of this estate goes back to 1596 when the Lavernette family purchased the property and all its vineyards from the Tournus monks, who understood the great quality of the soil. It has remained within the family ever since and in 2007 the 13th generation of winemakers took the reins with Xavier de Boissieu.



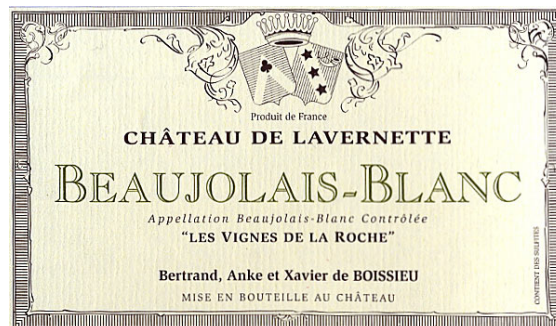
In 2005, the de Boissieu family began conversion to organics and when Xavier arrived, they started Biodynamic practices. Today Chateau de Lavernette is both Ecocert and Demeter certified.

With vines between 20 and 60 years old, the de Boissieu family works manually in the vineyards, averaging 50hl/ha. The vineyards are tended by hand, and the family makes their own compost and nutritive tisanes. In the cellar, which was fully renovated in 1998, the wines are hand-crafted via gentle techniques with indigenous yeasts and gravity fed tanks.

BEAUJOLAIS BLANC



*“LES VIGNES DE LA
ROCHE”*



Varietal/Blend: 100% Chardonnay
Farming: Ecocert & Demeter certified
Elevation / Exposure: 230-260m / E
Soil: sandy clay with veins of chalk
Ave. Years Vines Planted: 1995
Trellis System: Guyot
Harvest Technique: by hand
Fermentation: gently whole cluster pressed and gravity fed into tank to be cold settled; cold fermentation in cement.
Aging: 12 months on fine lees
Alcohol: 13.0%
Fined: no
Filtered: yes
Sulfur: 33 ppm total
Yeast: ambient

Fragrant white flowers, full of juicy white fruits, laced with a mineral edge, and balanced by a gossamer acid finish that bewitches and beguiles one's reason. An untamed dance of seven veils whirls across the palate revealingly and ends with slaked desire.

Country: France
Region: Beaujolais
Sub Region: Leynes
Vineyard Size: 3.05 ha