



## 2018 ALAIN de la TREILLE Muscadet Sevre et Maine France – Loire Valley – Muscadet-Sèvre et Maine

### ABOUT MAISON ALAIN de la TREILLE

Alain de la Treille was a farmer and wine enthusiast, who grew up in Touraine & spent his life promoting the Touraine area and Loire Valley wines. He became great friends with Jean-Claude Bougrier, a winemaker from Saint Georges sur Cher. The two could spend hours talking about Loire Valley style, terroir and how to improve the vinification process.

When Alain passed away in 1985, Jean-Claude decided to create a wine brand to pay tribute to his good friend, and Alain de la Treille wines were born. Jean-Claude's son Noël took over in 1988, becoming the fifth generation of his family to make wine. Noel created 3 cellars, widening the wine growing area of the estate to the entire Loire Valley, from Sancerre to the Pays Nantais. Noël Bougrier still runs the winery today, with help from son Nicolas and daughter Sophie.

The vineyards cover 100 hectares (247 acres), with vines averaging 25 years old. Wines are made under the direction of Lionel Métaireau. A sixth-generation winemaker, he is native of Le Pallet in the Muscadet vineyard, close to Nantes.

### ABOUT THE WINE

The Muscadet-Sèvre et Maine sub-appellation produces 80% of all Muscadet wine. Covering 8,200 hectares with 23 villages, the appellation is named after the rivers Sèvre and Maine that flow through it. Soil types ranges from granite and schist hillsides around the village of Saint-Fiacre-sur-Maine, to the predominantly clay based soils of Vallet. Almost half of the wine is aged sur lie.

A great dry white wine with a unique style & a fine and delicate minerality. Beautiful tension on the palate followed by hints of flower, melon and lime; crisp finish.

Vintage	2018
Appellation	Loire Valley – Muscadet-Sèvre et Maine
Varietal(s)	100% Melon de Bourgogne
Vinification	Part of this cuvée is produced with 12 hours skin maceration; the other part is from directly pressed grapes. Aged on the lees for six months (no oak). Slightly filtered before bottling.
Vine Age	20 years
Size	12/750ml
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