

# Domaines Dominique Piron

France - Burgundy

With know-how, roots and terroirs, Dominique Piron has created a Domain among the leaders of the region. Dominique Piron's oldest known ancestor was born in Morgon in 1590. Since then, there have been 14 generations of wine growers in the family. Morgon and Moulin à Vent wines have long been renowned among France's finest wines.

In a vineyard with difficult terrain— 30% steep slopes and a virtual patchwork of parcels, Dominique Piron is engaged in sustainable winegrowing. On winegrowing land filled with old broken-down granite and schist, the watchwords are natural balance and biodiversity. For vinification, the goal is to create terroir wines - wines of character, that remain fruity, subtle and elegant.

Gamay is the heart and soul of Beaujolais crus. A cross between the Pinot Noir and Gouais Blanc varieties, Gamay was originally imported from Croatia by the Huns in the 4th century. Gamay is a delicate variety and it is either excellent or nothing at all. At any rate, Gamay is a quite remarkable variety because it can either be enjoyed young for its fruitiness and elegance, or allowed to age, developing the structure and mineral qualities so appreciated by connoisseurs.

Morgon, the image of Dominique Piron. Morgon wines are solid but never hard. They are racy and elegant. They always have a slight hint of black cherry (some would say kirsch, as the wine ages), and bright spicy notes. With their great structure, Morgon wines keep very well. Morgon, a sure value.

At Maison Piron, there is no "recipe", but a multitude of possibilities and combinations, depending on the knowledge of the terroirs, the appellation, and the purpose. Grapes of quality that are ripe and representative of their soil, a severe sorting if necessary, a partial destemming depending on the maturity of the stalks, some "pigeages" and pumping over, lengths of fermentation depending on terroirs, appellations, and vintages. Few technical interventions. The major idea is "permanent adaptation to the elements". Piron wines are traditional. They express the soil from which they come from. It is a compromise between the search for the best tannins and the preservation of finesse, elegance and purity. A moderate maturation in barrels brings roundness without being overwhelming.

1590   Domaines Morgon   Dominique Piron	
Founded	
1590	
Location	
France	
Wine Production Area	
France - Burgundy - Beaujolais AOC, Beaujolais - Chenas AOC, Beaujolais - Morgon AOC, Beaujolais - Morgon Cote du Py AOC	
Owners	
Dominique PIRON - Julien REVILLON	
Grape Varietals	
Gamay noir (97%), Chardonnay (3%)	
Annual Production	
66,700 (9-liter cases)	
Website	
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