



**TOP
SELECTION**
WINES & SPIRITS

DOMAINE BARON THENARD

MONTRACHET GRAND CRU

2014



Grape Varietals

100% Chardonnay

ABV

14%

Soil Type

Clay & Limestone

Vinification

Fermented in open wooden vats with temperature control, then aged in oak barrels (30% new oak) for 20 months.

History

The Thenard family has owned land in Givry since 1760, but the estate was not officially founded until 1842. Thirty years later, in 1872, Baron Paul Thenard acquired two large parcels in Le Montrachet, totalling 1.86 hectares. This transaction put the domaine on the map making the Thenards the 2nd largest landholder in Montrachet behind only the Marquis de Laguiche, with their single parcel of 2.06 hectares. Additional vineyard acquisitions in the 20th century of the grand cru vineyards Clos du Roi in Corton and Les Grands Echezeaux in Flagey made Thenard one of the most important estates in Burgundy. The heart of the domaine remains in the humble village of Givry, and has been under the direction of Baron Jean-Baptiste Bordeaux-Montrieux since the early 1980's.

Tasting Notes

On the palate an initial vanilla-cream smoothness is tempered by the smokiness of fine oak on the mid palate. Smoky oak gives way to lush, lactic notes of butterscotch and pineapple, interwoven with mineral aspects in a carefully crafted and wonderfully enduring finish. The wine's exceptional length of flavour and clean, elegant finish are created largely by its wonderfully taught acidity in combination with incredibly dense, yet superbly elegant fruit.