



## MORGON

2017

### Color / Grapes

Red/Gamay

### Region

Beaujolais

### Appellation

Morgon

### Features

This wine is a blend made from three vineyards within the appellation of Morgon : Côte du Py, Bellevue and Roche Noire. They are planted on pink granite or on diorite: the blue rock landmark of Côte du Py. The depth and alteration of these soils vary from one vineyard to another.

### Vinification

Picked and sorted by hand, then often de-stemmed, the grapes macerate slowly over the course of three or four weeks. Some pigeage and pumping take place during the fermentation period, according to the vintage.

### Winemaking and bottling

The wines are aged for 10 months in concrete tank and in oak barrels, in our historic cellar ; new oak, one, two and three vintages old barrels. The oak used to make the barrels comes from the forests of Allier, Limousin and Nivernais.

### Vintage

After a classic month of December and a freezing January, the mild temperatures that followed triggered the vines to wake-up as early as the last days of March. It is under a beautiful sunshine that the flowering starts on the 1st of June, announcing a precocious harvest. The 10th of July a terrible thunderstorm and hail devastated most of the Beaujolais Crus. A very balanced month of August, with an ending week combining both a heat peak and a grapes-saving rain, allowed to reach a perfect maturity. The harvests started on the 1st of September in Côte du Py, but some of the most damaged plots were selectively handpicked after the 20th. Château des Jacques never had such a long harvest time. A great quality, with bright fruits and structure, will be a small comfort in front of such small quantities.

### Tasting / Food pairing

This Morgon individual character originates from the rich volcanic soils on which it grows. Although firm and powerful, the tannins show the Gamay typical suppleness. This deep wine with violet aromas will perfectly match all sorts of dishes with great personality.

### Preservation







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The wine needs two or three years to reach its harmony, and can then age comfortably for several decades.

