

# Chénas 'Vignes de 1939' 2016, Pascal AUFRANC 2020



## Region

The vineyards of Beaujolais fall on the granite rich slopes of a hilly region between Mâcon and Lyon at the southern limit of Burgundy. The only vine variety authorised for red wines is Gamay, traditionally grown as free standing bush vines. A small amount of Chardonnay is also grown. The most favourable vineyard sites produce 'villages' wines, and the 10 named 'Cru' villages of Beaujolais represent the best vineyards of the region and produce the longest-lived and fullest style of Beaujolais.

## Producer

Pascal Aufranc's estate is off the beaten track perched on the hillside of Remont in Chénas. Pascal says "I have the good fortune to work on beautiful hillside plots surrounded by woods and I like to make wines expressing their origin." Pascal prefers patience and observation over intervention and manipulation so ensures his growing methods are as environmentally friendly as possible.

## Tasting Notes

The vines for this Chénas were planted in 1939 on a west-facing vineyard with sand, granite and quartz soils. Dark ruby in colour with a nose of cherries and cinnamon. The palate is soft and round from 8 months ageing in concrete vats on its fine lees, with notes of fresh fruits, sweet spices and soft tannins.

## Food

Serve with Pate, charcuterie, hard cheeses or wild game.

## Technical Information

<b>Country</b>	France	<b>Dry/Sweet Style</b>	Not applicable
<b>Region</b>	Beaujolais	<b>Alcohol Content</b>	13%
<b>Grape(s)</b>	Gamay (100%)	<b>Closure Style</b>	Cork
<b>Type</b>	Red	<b>Organic/Biodynamic</b>	No
<b>Style</b>	Juicy	<b>Allergens</b>	<b>Milk:</b> No <b>Egg:</b> No
<b>Oaked Style</b>	Unoaked	<b>Vegetarian/Vegan</b>	<b>Vegetarian:</b> Yes <b>Vegan:</b> Yes
<b>Body Style</b>	Medium bodied		
<b>Sustainable</b>	Yes-certified sustainable		



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