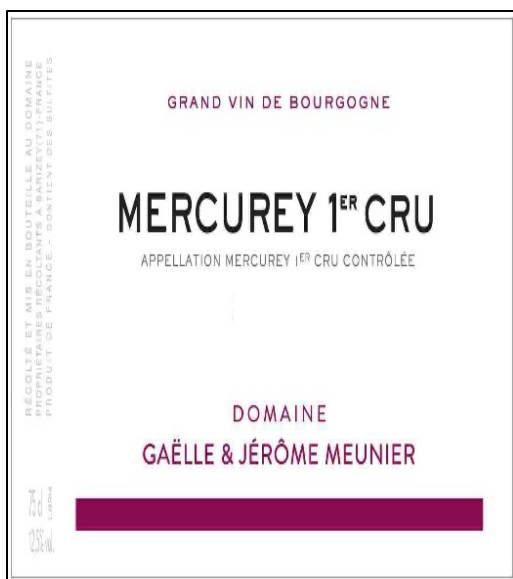


Domaine Gaëlle et Jérôme Meunier Côte Chalonnaise



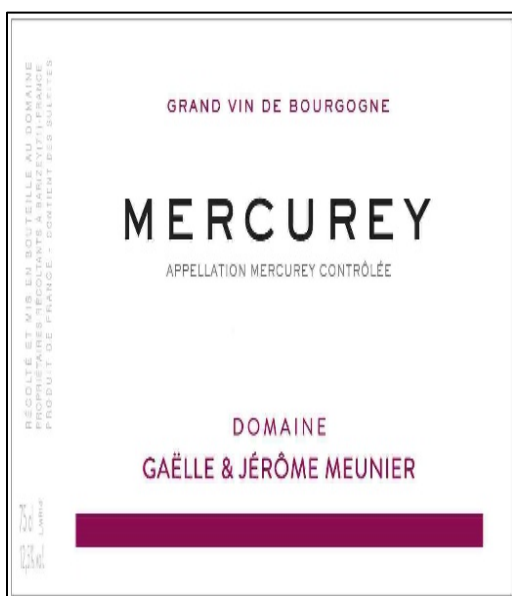
Mercurey Premier Cru 2018



The Meuniers' Premier Cru bottling of Mercurey hails from two vineyards, Sazenay, where they have forty-five year-old vines, and Clos l'Evêque, where the vines are sixty-five years of age. This too is fermented with native yeasts and it is raised in thirty percent new oak. The 2018 Premier Cru is quite a bit more black fruity in personality than the couple's Mercurey villages, offering up a bright and complex nose of sweet dark berries, black cherries, espresso, pigeon, dark soil tones, a deft touch of cedary oak and a smoky topnote. On the palate the wine is full-bodied, bright and beautifully balanced, with an excellent core of fruit, tangy acids, excellent focus and backend bounce and a long, suavely tannic and complex finish. This is going to be an excellent bottle of red Burgundy with sufficient age. 2028-2055+.

92 pts– John Gilman, View from the Cellar, June 2021

Mercurey Rouge 2018



Gaëlle et Jérôme Meunier's villages level bottling of Mercurey rouge hails from two parcels of vines, both with average ages in excess of sixty years of age! The wine is fermented with indigenous yeasts and given an élevage of eleven months in barrel, with only ten percent new oak used for this cuvée. The 2018 is nicely svelte in this warm summer, coming in at 12.5 percent octane and offering up a bright, red fruity and transparent nose of cherries, pomegranate, woodsmoke, gamebird and a lovely base of soil tones. On the palate the wine is pure, full-bodied, and tangy, with a fine core of fruit, excellent soil signature and grip, ripe tannins and a long, vibrant and nascently complex finish. This is an excellent example in the making, but it deserves a handful of years in the cellar to soften up and properly blossom. 2026-2045+.

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