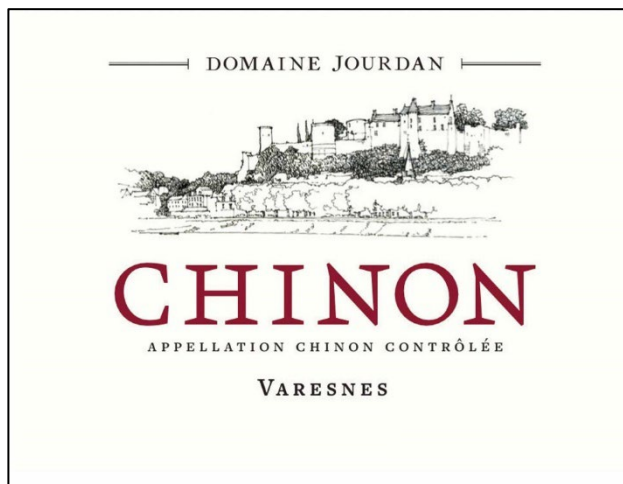


# Domaine Jourdan

## Chinon



### Chinon “Varesnes” 2021

*The wine opens with bruised raspberry, black plum, rosehip and hints of graphite. Grippy tannins on the attack lead into rhubarb-dusted blackberry undergirded by black tea and field herbs. This wine is a versatile pairing partner that would pair well with simple dishes and would enhance complex ones.*

**92 pts-** Reggie Solomon, Wine Enthusiast, October 2024

*Francis and Annick Jourdan’s Varesnes bottling is made from vines planted on the plain up from the riverbank in Cravant-les-Côteaux. The soils here have more clay and limestone in them than down closer to the river and the Jourdans’ vines are now closing in on fifty years of age for this bottling. The wine is fermented in tank and aged for fourteen months in cement vats. The 2021 Varesnes shows lovely depth on both the nose and palate, with the very pure bouquet wafting from the glass in a complex blend of sweet dark berries, black cherries, cigar wrapper, dark soil tones, woodsmoke, a hint of juniper berry and a touch of tree bark. On the palate the wine is deep, full-bodied and shows a nice touch of sappiness at the core, with lovely soil undertow and grip, fine-grained tannins and a long, seamlessly balanced and complex finish. This is excellent young Chinon! 2029-2075.*

**93 pts-** John Gilman, View from the Cellar, July-August 2023