

Domaine Merlin-Cherrier

Sancerre



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Agathe Merlin's 2023 Chêne Marchand is a simply beautiful bottle of young Sancerre. The wine's bright aromatic constellation hops from the glass in a mix of gooseberry, green apple, fresh lime, newly-mown grass, chalky minerality and a topnote of orange blossoms. On the palate the 71 wine is crisp, full-bodied and rock solid at the core, with superb mineral drive and grip, zesty acids, great focus and balance and a long, complex and vibrant finish. This is fine juice that will be even better a year or two down the road, which will give its fine girdle of acidity a chance to relax and secondary layers of complexity to emerge. 2025-2040.

93 pts- John Gilman, View from the Cellar, July-August 2025