



## Domaine des Gerbeaux

**Region:** Burgundy – Macon AOC

**Information:** Domaine des Gerbeaux is a small estate created in 1896 by Jean-Michel Drouin's grandfather Jacques Charvet (thus the high end cuvee in his honor). Domaine des Gerbeaux was born with his son Xavier, a 5th generation winemaker. An estate of 7 hectares located in the village of Solutre, dependent of the commune of Fuisse, and the small village of Pouilly, with vines of an average age between 35 and 45 years old and parcels as old as 90 plus years.

The main part of the estate is in the appellation Pouilly-Fuisse with 5 hectares. A small parcel in Saint Veran and the rest is in Macon Village, with the addition of some common vines. The vineyards have a South/Southeast, an East, and a North exposition, mainly on hillsides with up to 40% inclination. The estate is farmed organically following traditional methods. Harvests are done by hand, in small cases, and are received in temperature controlled rooms. The vinification and aging are done in a temperature controlled environment. Most of the wines are raised in French oak, some new, barrels which are renewed at 20% every year with a 7 to 8 years cycle. The top cuvees are aged for up to 18 months in French oak barrel.

The vineyards are characterized with many micro-climates, typical of the region of Solutre. The various climates of the region are:

- Le Clos
- La Mure
- Les Gerbeaux
- En Servy
- Les Champs Roux
- Les Chailloux
- Les Bouthieres
- The famous climate of Pouilly with Fuisse and its chalky soils

Jean-Michel Drouin, owner and winemaker, controls his yields in the vineyards with a very short cut in "Guyot". Harvests are done at prime maturity with no excess, with degrees ranging between 12.7 and 13.7% of alcohol when possible, when the acidity is right in order to obtain well balanced wines, with finesse and freshness.

Domaine des Gerbeaux, which has been regularly awarded for more than a decade with a few Decanter selections, applies passion, a constant drive for perfection, and innovation in their winemaking process to bring us wines of exceptional quality, often superior to its neighbor in northern Burgundy, for a fraction of the price.

**Biodynamic Estate**  
**Winemaker: Jean-Michel Drouin**



## The Wines:

### Pouilly Vinzelles



A baby Pouilly-Fuisse, made from vines from a higher elevation on hillside vineyards with a southern exposure. A very elegant wine, rich, with green apple, passion fruit and white flower aromas. Aged for 6 to 8 months in old French oak barrels.

### Pouilly Fuisse

100% Chardonnay



“The melon, peach and mineral flavors are framed by oak spice in this elegant white. Balanced and long, but needs short-term cellaring to absorb the oak Best from 2008 to 2012.”  
B.S.

### Macon Chaintre

100% Chardonnay



This wine of 100% Chardonnay is made from vines of the village of Chaintre, just south of the famous Pouilly Fuisse. The vines mature quickly, from a chalky-clay soil, bringing the wine roundness, fat, with a lot of fruit. A very rich and elegant wine to drink fresh during the next two years over our summer meals.

### Macon Solutre

100% Chardonnay



“Very fresh and still a touch leese, but showing peach and melon notes. Has depth and balance, with citrus twinge on the finish.” Drink now trough 2009. –B.S.

### Macon Villages

100% Chardonnay



A wine of pleasure. Best enjoyed at anytime; enhanced by the presence of friends, very fruity, refreshing and elegant. This pure Chardonnay will complement appetizers, salads, light meals, or any social event.



**Terroir de Pouilly Fuisse**  
100% Chardonnay

A 100% Chardonnay made from the most famous climate of the region, Pouilly Fuisse, from hillside vineyards of red and chalky soils. With an East exposition, protected from all the winds, these vineyards bring to the wine character richness, and a beautiful balance between roundness, minerality and acidity. A wine to be enjoyed within the next 10 years, aged in French oak barrels for 18 months. This wine, comparable to some of the greatest names of Burgundy, will brighten all your special occasions.