

Cousin-Leduc



Biodynamic Demeter

Varietals

Cabernet franc

Soil

Black loam infused with deep beds of Limestone.

Age of Vines 65 year old vines

Pairing

Olivier Cousin cultivates 5 hectares of vines in and around Martigné Briand which is nestled in the fertile and generous Loire Valley. His vineyards are planted with Gamay, Chardonnay, Cabernet Franc, Grolleau and Chenin Blanc. Olivier plows his vineyards with his horse Joker, uses only indigenous yeast and shuns enzymes, sugar and sulfites. He is constantly experimenting to improve the quality of his wines. Cousin crafts wines that celebrate the harmony that exists between man and nature. His hard work and understanding of the vines in his small Loire Valley vineyard represent some of the finest natural wines that are currently available in the US.

Pruning Method: Guyot

Vielles Vignes:

Vinification: The grapes are hand-harvested, brought to the winery by a horse, destemmed and gently pressed. Only natural yeast are used and the juice undergoes an extended maceration. Fermented and aged in a large wood tank (500 Liters) for 18 months.