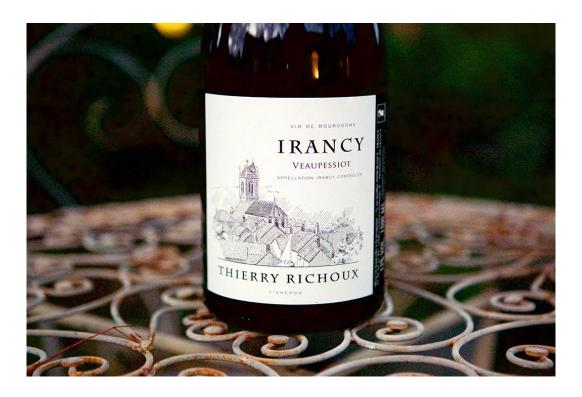
THE SOURCE THIERRY RICHOUX BURGUNDY



2021 IRANCY, ROUGE, 'VEAUPESSIOT'

PRODUCER OVERVIEW

Thierry Richoux and his sons, Gavin and Félix, craft impressive age-worthy wines southwest of Chablis, in Irancy, an appellation specializing in Pinot Noir. Sharing the same basic geology as Chablis, Irancy's small amphitheater faces all directions but east, and includes a slope on the outside of the U, on the south hill that faces south and west—home to the lieux-dits, Veaupessiot and Palotte. Their organic and biodynamically farmed vineyards on a variety of aspects on mostly steep slopes are composed of limestone marl and clay. All grapes for red wines are hand-harvested, vinified with native yeasts, (sometimes with stems) and aged in a mix of 500l barrels, 40hl-55hl foudres and steel vats. In addition to their range of Irancy reds, they also produce a méthode Champenoise sparkling and a Rosé from Pinot Noir.

VINEYARD DETAILS

Richoux's Irancy "Veaupessiot" is 100% Pinot Noir from 2.34ha with an average age of 35 years (2023) on a steep slope with a west exposure at 195-240m on limestone marl bedrock and brown clay topsoil.

CELLAR NOTES

The 2021 Veaupessiot was destemmed and naturally fermented in steel vats with one pumpover per day for 15-18 days. After pressing, it was settled for one month, then racked into 500-liter demi-muids (10% new) where it aged unmoved for 21 months followed by 6 months in steel. It is without added sulfites until bottling.

