

THE SOURCE CARTAUX-BOUGAUD JURA



2017 L'ÉTOILE, SAVAGNIN, VIN JAUNE

PRODUCER OVERVIEW

Sébastien and Sandrine's family domaine is relatively young. The family's first harvest in 1973 on a small 0.20-hectare plot in L'Étoile, their parents, Anne-Marie Bougaud and Guy Cartaux, acquired the Château de Quintigny (whose name adorns most of the labels as well as their family name) in 1983, expanding their vineyards and fully committing to winegrowing. Sébastien Cartaux and his sister Nathalie (who left the domaine in 2010) took over in 1993, and today Sébastien and Sandrine continue to run their 20-hectare estate, which was organic-certified in 2022. They produce Chardonnay (which makes up the vast majority of the vine surface area of L'Étoile's 67 hectares) and Savagnin from AOC L'Étoile, as well as reds (Poulsard, Trousseau, and Pinot Noir) from the Côtes du Jura. Their wines are crafted in numerous cellars, including the ancient Château de Quintigny, using both traditional "ouillage" method with air space left in the barrel and the region's unique oxidative aging process, essential for producing the renowned Vin Jaune.

VINEYARD DETAILS

L'Étoile, Savagnin, Vin Jaune comes from Savagnin vines planted in 1993 on a west face at 280 meters on a steep slope of limestone marl bedrock and rich clay topsoil.

CELLAR NOTES

L'Étoile, Savagnin, Vin Jaune is a natural fermentation with 25°C maximum in steel and enamelled vats until end of malolactic fermentation where it is racked into old 228 L French oak untopped (by law) for 6 years and 6 months months before a light filtration before bottling. Sulfites are first added on the must then again after malolactic.

