



## ROGER BELLAND MEURSAULT- SANTENOTS 1ER CRU

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Today, Roger's daughter, Julie, has taken over the day to day running of this excellent estate. A range of top quality Chardonnays from highly regarded vineyards are made, which contrast somewhat with their succulent reds from lesser-known yet great value appellations such as Maranges and Santenay in the Côte Châlonnaise.

Processes in the vineyard are as natural as possible, with grass sown between the vines to encourage natural biodiversity and reduce predators. Very environmentally conscious, Julie prefers to use prophylactic methods instead of chemicals. In order to control the yields and vigour vines are selectively debudded. The Santenots vineyard lies to the northern extremity of the appellation, on the border with Volnay. The vines here are 50 years old.

Grapes are pressed thanks to pneumatic press. Then a natural cold settling is done for 36 hours in thermo-regulated stainless steel tanks. The alcoholic fermentation occurs at low temperature in 40% new French oak barrels in the cellar. During malolactic fermentation, the lees are stirred once per week to bring complexity to the wine. The bottling occurs after 10 months barrel - ageing.

