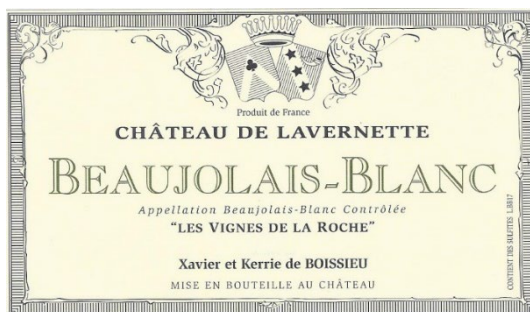


Château de Lavernette Beaujolais



Beaujolais-Blanc “Les Vignes de la Roche” 2020

Complex nose of candied citrus peel and angelica. Generously crisp and structured, this chardonnay is only just beginning to give its best. Long, powerful and fresh finish. From biodynamically grown grapes with Demeter certification. Drink or hold.

92 pts– Stuart Pigott, jamessuckling.com, February 2023

Beaujolais-Blanc “Les Vignes de la Roche” 2018

Light, bright yellow. Meyer lemon, dried pear, buttered toast and a hint of fennel on the nose; a mineral nuance lends vivacity. Juicy and focused on the palate, offering fresh orchard and pit fruit flavors and a bracing lemon pith note that adds back-end cut. Finishes on a subtly smoky note, with very good persistence and an echo of dusty minerality.

90 pts– Josh Raynolds, Vinous Media, July 2021

The 2018 Beaujolais Blanc from Xavier and Kerrie de Boissieu’s Château de Lavernette is a fine bottle of chardonnay and has opened up beautifully since I last tasted it in the early spring. The nose wafts from the glass in a blend of pear, apple, a touch of pineapple, a superb base of limestone soil tones, a hint of toastiness and a topnote of apple blossoms. On the palate the wine is bright, full-bodied and complex, with a fine core of ripe fruit, bright acids and lovely length and grip on the complex and quite classy finish. As I have mentioned in the past, this is quite a unique example of Beaujolais Blanc, as the vineyards here are in the very north of the appellation and very, very close to the southern limit of the Pouilly-Fuissé appellation! Fine juice. 2021-2026.

90 pts– John Gilman, View from the Cellar, July-August 2021