

AU COEUR DES TERROIRS CABERNET FRANC

Founded in the 19th century, the small négociant firm of Charles Bove has its base of operations in an enormous rock quarry, burrowed into a chalk hillside for limestone to build the Loire châteaux. The firm specializes in sparkling wines, buying grape must or juice direct from surrounding domaines and then vinifying, blending, and bottling in this vast old quarry. It also maintains an extensive portfolio of still wines, the most interesting of which may well be a small range of varietals bottled under the *Au Coeur des Terroirs du Val de Loire* label. These are delicious, well-priced introductions to the fresh and elegant wines the Loire does so well.



VINEYARD

Site: From the eastern edge of Anjou in the Brissac zone, across the

Loire and southeast of Angers.

Soil: Black schist soils.

Vines: From a selection of parcels in Anjou.

Varieties: Cabernet Franc.

CELLAR

Vinification A short maceration and aging in steel over winter to give

& Aging: emphasis to purity and fruit.

Production: 850 cases.

Profile: A quintessential central Loire Franc with ample fruit and fresh

aromatics at a price that will leave change in your pocket.