



# Louis Latour

MAISON FONDÉE EN 1797

## CORTON-CHARLEMAGNE GRAND CRU

2009

- REGION Côte de Beaune
- VILLAGE Aloxé-Corton
- APPELLATION Corton-Charlemagne Grand Cru
- GRAPE VARIETY Chardonnay

### *The Vine*

- AVERAGE VINE AGE 30 years
- SOIL Stony limestone.
- AVERAGE YIELD 40 hl/ha
- HARVEST Hand picked

### *Vinification & Ageing*

- FERMENTATION Traditional in oak barrels with complete malolactic fermentation
- AGEING 8 to 10 months ageing in oak barrels, 100% new
- BARRELS Louis Latour cooperage, French oak, medium toasted

### *Description*

After the ravages of the phylloxera epidemic at the end of the 19th century the Latour family took the then, unusual decision to tear up the dead Aligoté and Pinot Noir vines, and replace them with Chardonnay. This decision led them to create one of Burgundy's most celebrated white whites.

Today the Latour family owns 10.5 hectares which makes them the biggest owner in the appellation. The Latour's Corton-Charlemagne vineyards are located on a prime section of the Corton hillside where the south-easterly aspect ensures maximum exposure to the sun. The fruit is harvested as late as possible to guarantee maximum ripeness.

### *Wine tasting*

- TASTING NOTE A beautiful gold colour worthy of grands crus with pungent aromas of grilled almonds. Rich in the mouth with oaky notes present. All elements come together to make this great 09 Corton-Charlemagne, which is promising today but will be even bigger in a few years. One must be patient! Tasted November 2010.
- CELLARING POTENTIAL 10-15 years
- FOOD PAIRING Shellfish - lobster - foie gras - fish - mature cheeses.
- SERVING TEMPERATURE 12-14°

### *Press review*

Corton-Charlemagne Grand Cru 2009 - The International Wine & Food Society - October 2017

Corton-Charlemagne Grand Cru 2009 - James Suckling - June 2015 - 97/100

Corton-Charlemagne Grand Cru 2009 - The Sunday Business Post - February 2015 - 95/100

Corton-Charlemagne Grand Cru 2009 - Wine Spectator - June 2012 - 93/100

Corton-Charlemagne Grand Cru 2009 - James Suckling on Twitter - June 2012 - "A revelation"

Corton-Charlemagne Grand Cru 2009 - Wine Review Online - December 2011 - 95/100

Corton-Charlemagne Grand Cru 2009 - Wine Enthusiast - October 2011 - 94/100

Corton-Charlemagne Grand Cru 2009 - Burghound.com - June 2011 - 93/100

Corton-Charlemagne Grand Cru 2009 - The World of Fine Wine - March 2011 - 18/20





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Corton-Charlemagne Grand Cru 2009 - TimAtkin - 96/100

Corton-Charlemagne Grand Cru 2009 - Jancis Robinson - January 2011 - 17/20

