



# Vincent Pinard (Organic)

## Sancerre (Loire)



Vincent Pinard is one of the most innovative and dedicated producers of the Loire Valley. He has 10 hectares of Sauvignon Blanc and 2.5 hectares of Pinot Noir, planted mainly on the hard chalky land of the commune of Bué. These wines are made in the vineyard where low yields result in exquisitely elegant wines of great subtlety, complexity and concentration.

*'Vincent Pinard's top vineyards are in the Clos du Chene Marchand lieu-dit from which come the three special cuvees. He was one of the first Sancerre winemakers to vinify in barrel and remains one of the few to have achieved the correct oak balance. Cuvee Flores (made without oak) is concentrated, flowery and old viney; Nuance is a mixture of one-third barrel and two-thirds tank fermented wine and is subtle and persistent. Harmonie is entirely vinified in wood and is an exotic, and more obviously oaky wine. There is a splendid finesse throughout the range and these wines are much in demand.'* **Clive Coates, The Wines and Domaines of France.**

***'Top notch Sancerres from a leading family domaine. Every bottling is recommended.'***

**Jacqueline Freidrich, The wines of France**



### 2015 Sancerre *Florès*

100% tank fermented and aged. As the name suggests this cuvee is very floral. Fine crisp and very classic there is plenty of fruit here, lemon, lime and grapefruit zest with a ripe juicy acidity, a strong complex terroir dimension is obvious, too, with its chalky, mineral touches.

*'Tight and stony on the palate but there's very nice fruit intensity ...Very persistent and refined. Drink 2017-2021.'* 17.5/20 points, **Julia Harding MW, JancisRobinson.com, January 2016.**

### 2015 Sancerre *Nuance*

From 40 year-old vines grown on Caillottes terroir (small stones over limestone) in Bué, selected from the vineyards of both Petit Chemarin and Le Château. The fruit is hand picked, hand-sorted and then whole-bunch pressed to tank for a cool and slow fermentation lasting about 4 weeks. The wine is aged on fine lees for 9 months in approximately two-thirds tank and one-third larger format, second-use barrels.

### 2015 Sancerre *Le Château*

A new release in 2015, Le Château sits on a south-west facing slope above the winery and is planted to 47 year-old vines on Caillottes over chalky limestone. The fruit is hand picked, hand-sorted and then whole-bunch pressed, followed by fermentation and ageing predominantly in 600 litre barrels, with a smaller proportion done in stainless steel tanks. The wine is aged on fine lees for 9 months before bottling.

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750ml	375ml
<b>\$34.19</b>	<b>\$19.35</b>

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