



# Louis Latour

MAISON FONDÉE EN 1797

## BEAUNE 1<sup>ER</sup> CRU "AUX CRAS"

2009

- REGION Côte de Beaune
- APPELLATION Beaune Premier Cru
- VILLAGE Beaune
- GRAPE VARIETY Chardonnay

### *The Vine*

- AVERAGE VINE AGE 20 years
- SOIL Clay and limestone
- AVERAGE YIELD 40hl/ha
- HARVEST Hand picked

### *Vinification & Ageing*

- FERMENTATION Traditional in oak barrels with complete malolactic fermentation
- AGEING 8 to 10 months ageing in oak barrels, 50% new
- BARRELS Louis Latour cooperage, French oak, medium toasted

### *Description*

The Beaune Aux Cras vineyard is positioned on the top of the hillside behind the town of Beaune on the site of an old quarry. Evidence of its history can be seen in its incredibly rocky soils and the name Cras which is derived from C(a)racos meaning rocky hill. The vineyard is made up of three terraces each contained by limestone walls; the sun's reflection on these walls and the additional luminosity it provides promotes the early development of the vine and its grapes.

### *Wine tasting*

- TASTING NOTE Gold in colour this Beaune 1er Cru reveals heady aromas of brioche, vanilla and mellow oak. Round and fat in the mouth with freshness and liveliness coming forward on the tongue. Tasted November 2010.
- CELLARING POTENTIAL 5-7 years
- FOOD PAIRING Sweet and savoury dishes - fish - Soumaintrain cheese
- SERVING TEMPERATURE 12-14°

### *Press review*

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