



## Burgundy Wine Region of France

**Climate:** Burgundy experiences very hot summers and very cold winters. It is the coolest and most northern red-wine producing region in the world. The vintages from Burgundy can vary greatly as there are years that lack sun or have unpredictable rainfall. This can lead to un-ripened grapes, and less flavorful wines.

There are two main grape varieties grown in Burgundy: Chardonnay & Pinot Noir. However, this region does not classify their wines according to varietal; it is all about the 'terroir' for a particular wine. The ranking of wines from least to most sophisticated are: Bourgogne Blanc/Rouge; Villages; Premier Cru; Grand Cru.

**Mâconnais** is located in the southern part of Burgundy (above Beaujolais), surrounding the town of Mâcon. It produces mainly Chardonnay grapes, but some Pinot Noir & Gamay as well.

## Domaine Perraud Le Grand Sorbier Crémant de Bourgogne BURGUNDY (FRANCE)

Domaine Perraud is a great story of a young winemaker encouraged by his parents (who made their living growing grapes for the local co-op) to strike out on his own. So, at the age of 24, Jean-Christophe Perraud began making wine from the family's vineyards. In 2005 he produced his first vintage out of 4 hectares of vines. Less than a decade later, Domaine Perraud has 25 hectares of Bourgogne, Mâcon and Saint-Véran vineyards. This Domaine practices sustainable agriculture and moving to organic.

**Grapes:** Chardonnay

**Terroir:** Calcareous clay

**Vinification:** : Stainless Steel, method traditional

**Alcohol:** 11% vol.

### Tasting Notes

**Visual:** Lemon gold

**Nose:** Ripe apples and toasted notes

**Palate:** Rich mousse with crisp Braeburn apples, lemon zest and brioche.

**Pairing:** Enjoy as an aperitif or with oysters, clams, pastas, poultry.