



Les Caves de la Loire, Sauvignon Blanc VdP du Val de Loire 'Wally' 2015

PRODUCER

Les Caves de la Loire is a co-op located in Brissac-Quincé, south of Angers. It was established in 1951 and has 160 growers and 1,600 hectares of vineyards, the majority of them located in Anjou. Its winemaking facilities are overseen by technical director, Agnès Bardet, who has been working with the growers and their vineyards for many years. The harvest is coordinated by Frederic Moreau, who liaises with each grower and offers technical advice all year long. Les Caves de la Loire is certified AgriConfiance et Démarche Vignerons En Développement Durable. AgriConfiance ensures traceability from grape to bottle and adheres to AFNOR's (Association French Normalization Organization Regulation) sustainable practices.

VINEYARDS

The grapes were sourced from the Anjou area in the Loire Valley, just south of the city of Angers. The vineyards are planted on two different types of soil, the carboniferous rocks and schist in the northern part of the area and the visibly whiter, limestone-rich soils in the southern and western sides of the appellation. The vines are on average 25 years old.

VINTAGE

After a hot, dry summer, with drought blocking vegetation in some places, the region finally got some rain in September, which softened the skins and let the grapes ripen fully. The only negative was that quantities were down across the region - in part a result of the drought, but also due to a few cold days at the end of the flowering.

VINIFICATION

The grapes were kept in a cold room at 16°C before being put into stainless steel tanks for fermentation at 14°C. After fermentation, the wine was kept on its lees for three months and stirred to add depth and complexity.

TASTING NOTES

The Sauvignon Blanc is zesty with lively acidity, hints of passion fruit and gooseberry with great balance and a clean finish. There is a touch of richness on the palate without giving any sweetness.



VINTAGE INFORMATION

Vintage	2015
Region	Anjou-Saumur, Loire
Grape Varieties	100% Sauvignon Blanc
Winemaker	Frederic Moreau
Classification	IGP
Closure	Stelvin
ABV	11.5%
Residual Sugar	4g/L
Acidity	7g/L
Bottle Sizes	75cl