



NICOLAS JOLY SAVENNIERES LES VIEUX CLOS

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Nicolas Joly is one of France's most provocative and influential winegrowers. Long before biodynamics became fashionable, Joly had fully embraced its principles at his Coulée de Serrant estate in Savennières, beginning in the 1980s, with the belief that viticulture should attune to the rhythms of the earth and vines rather than fight them. Today, his approach remains unflinching: he farms entirely by biodynamic principles (certified by Demeter) and eschews chemical inputs, machines, and manipulations in both vineyard and cellar. Les Vieux Clos, while sometimes considered the entry to his range, is no less complex or expressive. Sourced from a 5.5-hectare parcel on schist and volcanic soils, it's fermented with indigenous yeasts and aged in old barrels with minimal sulphur and no filtration. Each vintage reflects not a standard style but the evolving energy of the growing season, a living wine made by intuition as much as technique. Joly's wines are not "clean" in the modern sense — they are alive, sometimes wild, always fascinating. They divide opinion, and that's precisely the point.

