



Château la Varière

A Meilleurs Terroirs selection

## Anjou Villages Brissac Vieilles Vignes

*Red - 2017*

*Typical and rich*

### A great red from the Loire Valley

We have carefully selected the parcels of this wine from our vineyard: clay-limestone for the Cabernet Franc and gravelly soil on clay for the Cabernet Sauvignon. These nice terroirs on gentle slopes are very well drained and allow the varieties to develop their quintessential aromas.

#### From the vines to the cellar

**Grape varieties:** Cabernet Franc 60%, Cabernet Sauvignon 40%

**Soils/ Terroirs:** Chalky-clay for the Cabernet Franc and gravel on clay for the Cabernet Sauvignon.

**Winemaking features:** The berries of each parcel are tasted in view of harvesting at the right moment. The maceration of the grapes lasts for 4 weeks to perfectly extract the tannins. The choice of Cabernet Sauvignon, matured for 12 months in oak, brings about silkiness and finesse all the while offering structure. The blend of these two varieties takes place 3 to 6 months before bottling to ensure uniformity.

**Maturing:** 12 months in barrels for the Cabernet Sauvignon.

**Ageing period:** 4 to 5 years.

#### The vineyard

Chateau la Varière is situated in the district of Vauchrézien, next to the well-known Chateau de Brissac. Our estate is surrounded by its adjoining vines and its various parcels close by. It is characterized by a quest for the best terroirs. The vast variety of profiles provides complexity. The blend of different wines from each plot or section is one of the keys to the success of the estate's offerings. Winegrowing also brings the best out of each parcel. Shorting pruning, grass cover and low hanging vines count among the special features allowing us to achieve full ripeness for the production of red and sweet wines.

#### Tasting notes

##### Color

Brilliant bright red.

##### Aromas

Aromas of forest undergrowth and vanilla.

##### Palate

Rich, with good tannic structure.

#### Food pairing

Grilled or roasted meat, game.  
Soft cheese, with a bloomy rind  
and hard pressed cheese.

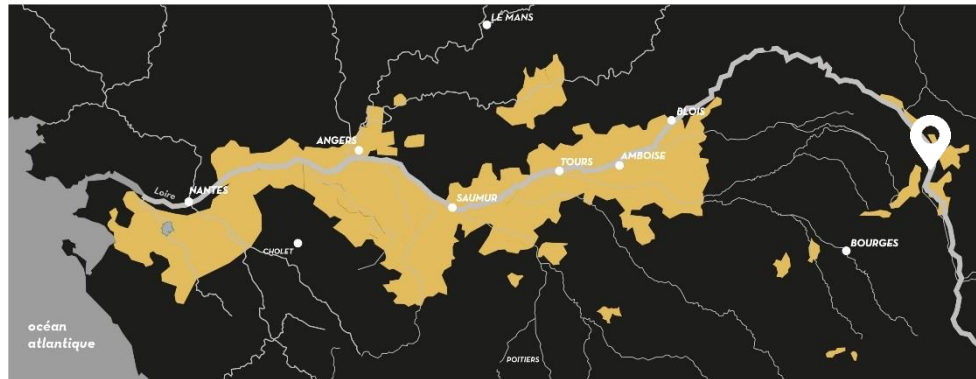
Serving temperature:  
Between 15 and 16 degrees.



## *Meilleurs Terroirs, where Great Wines are born ...*

Comprising many exceptional castles, the Loire Valley is also called the Valley of the Kings. It was the crucible of France's art of living and power, and is without a doubt the cradle of high quality wines. Meilleurs Terroirs is the portfolio of brands, specializing in great wines derived from the region's most well-known terroirs. Such as Chateau de Sancerre, Chateau la Varière, Domaine de la Perruche... exceptional wines from great chateaux and estates, which have built the reputation of our finest appellations.

Loire Valley wines flourish in a **unique cultural landscape**, classified as a UNESCO World Heritage site. The Loire Valley vineyard extends over 65,000 hectares within 4 regions – Pays Nantais, Anjou-Saumur, Touraine and Centre Loire. All and all, this wine route represents a distance of 800 km.



"The Loire Valley is France's 3rd largest winegrowing region. Stretching from the Atlantic coast to the Centre region, it is a point of equilibrium, where north meets south, sophistication meets freshness, art meets literature, and tradition meets modernity. These harmonious contrasts - plus the generally temperate climate and extraordinarily varied terroirs - have produced the world's most diverse array of wines. As a result, France's longest river is capable of providing a rich selection of over 50 still and sparkling AOP and PGI wines and over 10 varieties (Chenin, Sauvignon, Chardonnay, Melon de Bourgogne, Cabernet Franc...). All of the wines are in the nature of the Loire Valley."

## **About Chateau La Varière** **« A moment suspended by the beauty of our senses »**

The origins of the vineyard of Chateau la Varière date back to the 15th century as bear witness the huge press and the timber cellar at the entrance of the estate, situated at the heart of the Anjou winegrowing area. The vineyard is carefully managed in view of making the most out of each parcel. The terroirs and the art of blending are the key to the success of our estate, the standard of quality of which, is recognized worldwide, thanks to its great Loire Valley red wines (Anjou, Anjou Villages Brissac), white wines (Anjou blanc), rosés wines (Rosé de Loire and Cabernet d'Anjou ) and sweet wines (Bonnezeaux, Coteaux du Layon, Coteaux de l'Aubance, Quarts de Chaume Grand Cru).

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