



THERE IS NO SUBSTITUTE FOR QUALITY

Camille Paquet • Mâconnais

Brother to Mathieu and son of Michel Paquet of Domaine des Valanges, Camille's provenance is close to home in the land of Chardonnay. The Rock of Solutré is a limestone escarpment that overlooks the commune of Solutré-Pouilly. The rock, with a history of human habitation dating back 50,000 years, is a wealth of fossils. In the 19th century geologists discovered one of the richest collections of horse, bison, and mammoth remains at the foot of the rock. It's a can't miss, obvious picture-taking site when you drive north from the more famous commune, Fuissé, and on a clear day you can summit the rock (within an hour) and see the Alps. Camille farms single vineyards of Chardonnay in both Solutré-Pouilly and Fuissé, but it is his Clos des Carras vineyard, in the glory of the rock, that is his prize.

Camille's mindful organic techniques begin in the vineyard and end in the bottle. His wines are made by natural yeasts, no added chemicals, and oak is always 2 or 3 year-old barrels. His "Clos des Carras" is a giant slayer, at its ease with any Pouilly-Fuissé and even its more famous cousins further north in the Côte d'Or. Whether you are a Meursault dead-head or a globe-trotting white wine ordinary, you will "get" this wine. There's a pancake of mineral within the naturally ripe style of Mâconnais fruit, and a classy edge, which defines great Burgundian Chardonnay. Take advantage, while you can, and drink well with Camille Paquet.

The Wine of Camille Paquet

Mâcon-Solutré "Clos des Carras" Monopole



Turn around and you will see the Rock of Solutré looming over you