

Pierre Soulez

Savennières

The family of Pierre Soulez has been established in Savennières since the early 20th century and was actively involved in achieving recognition for the Savennières and Savennières-Roche aux Moines appellations.

Location, location...

The picturesque town of Savennières is primarily known for its dry, refined, ageworthy whites. The Savennières vineyards face south-east, downstream from where the Maine river runs into the Loire, and extend over four principal slopes, in a narrow strip between Epiré and the village of Savennières.

Château de Chamboreau is a 6 hectare vineyard in the appellation Roche aux Moines. It is situated to the east of Coulée de Serrant, one of the prestigious classified growths of Savennières. La Roche aux Moines is situated in a very significant spot in the Loire valley – on the local shist veined with volcanic rock.

The Château de Chamboreau vineyard is planted with vines more than 50 years old.

A family tradition...

Like his predecessors, Soulez and his assistant-winemaker nephew are committed to producing

Savennières' Best wines.

They severely cut back the vines to reduce yields, harvest as late as possible (among the last of Savennières'

vignerons), and do extended *élevages* to extract richness from the lees. The regulations controlling the Savennières appellation allow yields of up to 50 hectoliters/hectare. However, Soulez and other top Savennières estates generally produce between 35 and 40 hectoliters/hectare. The result is extraordinary quality.

