



## Alain Chavy Puligny-Montrachet Les Folatières 2018

### WINE DESCRIPTION

Alain Chavy produces restrained, structured, and long-lived white Burgundies from 17 acres of vineyards in Puligny-Montrachet, with small holdings in the neighboring villages of Chassagne and Meursault. Alain established Domaine Alain Chavy in 2003 with vineyards inherited from his father and includes some of Puligny's top premier crus.

Les Folatières is the largest Puligny premier cru and one of the best known thanks to its size and the quality of its wines. Folatières sits high up on the hill above Clavoillons with meager soil. The result is a full-bodied wine with plenty of minerality and grip. This is Alain's favorite Puligny-Montrachet premier cru.

Alain inoculates for fermentation and believes in keeping bâtonnage to a minimum. He uses a combination of 400-liter oak puncheons and 25% new Burgundian pièce for the premier crus. "We're looking for balance between the fruit and oak character," explains Alain. "We want the wines' minerality to show through."

### TASTING NOTES

Wines from Puligny-Montrachet are typified by aromas and flavors of green apple and lemon and tend to be tauter and firmer on the palate compared to wines from neighboring villages. Aging in a small percentage of new French oak barrels lends accents of toast and vanilla. Structured white wines with high acid and grip, Puligny-Montrachet is destined for long aging.

### FOOD PAIRING

White Burgundy, with its rich texture and toasted flavors, pairs well with white fish and shellfish and its naturally high acidity can counterbalance cream-based sauces. Oak-aged Chardonnay from warmer climates lends itself well to grilled fish, starches, butter, and toasted nuts.

### VINEYARD & PRODUCTION INFO

Bottles produced of this wine: 11,200

### WINEMAKING & AGING

Varietal composition: 100% Chardonnay

Total SO<sub>2</sub>: 140 mg/L

### ANALYTICAL DATA

Alcohol: 13%

pH level: 3.3

Residual sugar: <2 g/L

Acidity: 6.4 g/L

Dry extract: 22 g/L

### PRODUCER PROFILE

Estate owned by: Alain Chavy

Winemaker: Alain Chavy

Total acreage under vine: 17

Estate founded: 2003

Winery production: 11,200 Bottles

Region: Burgundy

Country: France