

## DOMAINE ARMAND ROUSSEAU

## CHAMBERTIN CLOS DE BEZE GRAND CRU

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The Clos de Bèze in Gevrey-Chambertin originally belonged to the monks of the Bèze Abbey, who were given the land by the then Duke of Lower Burgundy in the year 630. They cleared the land and planted the first vines of what was to become the Clos de Bèze appellation.

To this day the vineyard remains a real 'clos', enclosed by old stone walls.

The domain owns two parcels within the Clos de Bèze; the larger one is in the upper part of the appellation.

Here the soil is stony and has a high limestone content. At the top of the Clos there is a predominance of Bathonien calcerous clay; half-way down this turns to crinodial limestone and marl from the Bajocian age. The stones are spread out unevenly.

Clos de Bèze is often described as the feminine face of Chambertin, revealing as it does all the elegance and finesse of the Gevrey-Chambertin appellation. The wine is complex with deep colour and a long finish, smooth and of great finesse. The rich aromas are dominated by red berries and oriental spices.





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Clos de Bèze predates Chambertin although they both enjoy the same high reputation. The wines of Le Clos are subtle and mineral whereas those of Le Chambertin are more ample and powerful.

