*France, Vouvray A.O.C. | 2024*

# MAISON DARRAGON LES TUFFES VOUVRAY CHENIN BLANC

**”Bright and natural”**




## Story

Vouvray Chenin Blanc Les Tuffes gets its name from the vineyard, where the underlying clay-lime and clay-silicate soil is called tuffeau. This special terroir gives the wine character and minerality. The maturation of the grapes is closely monitored, the harvested grapes are rushed to a pneumatic press and pressed at low pressure. The juice is selected and clarified at a low temperature. Fermentation takes place in refrigerated steel tanks at 16 °C, which preserves the fruitiness of the wine. Before bottling, the wine matures for six months on the lees, which are regularly stirred.

## Producer

Pierre Darragon, along with his daughter Christelle Darragon and her spouse David Charbonnier, continue the tradition of winemaking in the Darragon family, now in its ninth generation. The estate boasts vineyards spanning 40 hectares in the Loire Valley's Touraine region. While their winemaking facilities are new and modern, their old cellars dug into the rock caves are located in the Vouvray vineyards. Chenin Blanc is the estate's main grape variety, well-suited to this region where limestone and clay dominate the soil. The mild climate nurtures grapes that achieve a balanced ripeness, offering adequate sweetness along with fine acidity. From their various plots, the family produces sparkling Vouvray as well as dry, off-dry, and sweet white wines depending on the vintage. The cultivation of their vines and winemaking practices adhere to sustainable principles. Darragon's wines have garnered widespread acclaim from both critics and the public, with local residents forming an important part of their customer base.

**COLOR** Light straw yellow

**AROMA** The scent is reminiscent of citrus fruits, grapefruit peel, William pear, white flowers and minerals

**TASTE** Dry, freshly acidic, notes of citrus, vigorously fruity, long with mineral notes

**TIPS FOR USE** Les Tuffes is perfect for fish dishes, shellfish and oysters, but it also tastes good with a bite of salad, as a risotto wine or with goat cheese.

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| **WINE TYPE** | White wines | **PACKAGE SIZE** | 6 bottle(s) |
| **GRAPES** | Chenin Blanc 100% | **BOTTLE CLOSING** | Natural cork |
| **MANUFACTURER** | Maison Darragon | **BOTTLE SIZE** | 0,75 l |
| **ALCOHOL CONTENT** | 12,5% | **PRODUCT NUMBER** | 159001 |
| **SUGAR CONTENT** | 5 g/l | | |

Norex Responsibility Indicator: Maison Darragon

| Norex requirements | Good | Very good | Excellent |
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| Environmental friendliness | | | |
| Social responsibility | Fulfills Norex requirements, but we are waiting for more information... | | |
| Administrative accountability | | | |

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