

# Domaine Bernard Moreau et Fils

## CHASSAGNE-MONTRACHET 1ER CRU LES GRANDES RUCHOTTES

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REGION: FRANCE - BURGUNDY



## GRAPES / SOILS

Chardonnay	Planted 1939	Limestone & rock (roche mare)	0.34 ha
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## THE WINE

### Vineyard Profile

Total Size: 2.12 ha (5.26 acres)

Winery Holdings: 0.34 ha (0.86 acre)

Underlaid by marly limestone, this superior white wine vineyard is composed of the *climats* Les Petits Clos, Les Grands Ruchottes and Les Fairendes. It is positioned at an elevation of 853 feet to 919 feet. Adjoining Premier Cru vineyards are Champgains, En Cailleret, Les Petites Fairendes and La Romanée. Both red and white grapes are allowed.

Ruchottes is the feminine and plural form of Roche «rock». Masses of fallen rock from the adjoining La Grand Montagne give this Lieux-dit its name.

Bernard Moreau

This is the oldest vineyard for Bernard Moreau. It was planted by Alex's grandfather in 1939. There is very little top soil, 35-40cm. Soils are limestone and rock, "roche mare." Wines have power balanced with minerality. Grandes Ruchottes is at the same quality level as Volnay-Caillerets. These two vineyards are widely considered to be of Grand Cru status.

### Winemaker's Notes

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## DOMAINE BERNARD MOREAU ET FILS

It's impossible to discuss Chassagne-Montrachet without mentioning the name Bernard Moreau. Year to year, this celebrated producer vinifies and bottles some of the purest, most thought-provoking wines of the appellation. Employing a style of wine making that might best be described as hands-off, Bernard produces Pinot Noirs and Chardonnays that are sensual, opulent and utterly delicious.

## GENERAL INFO

Country	France
Region	Burgundy
Appellation(s)	Chassagne-Montrachet, Volnay, St Aubin
Proprietors	Bernard Moreau
Founded	1809
Winemaker	Alex Moreau
Annual Production	8,000 9 L cases
Farming (Sustainable, organic, biodynamic)	Sustainable