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## Domaine de Colette, Regnie, Beaujolais, France, 2020



### Producer Profile

Domaine de Colette is in the small village of Lantignié, regarded as the top village in the cru of Regnie.

Run by the humble Jacky Gauthier, it was founded by his father René. Gauthier studied enology at the tender age of 17 and immediately started working with his father in the vineyards. Their steep pink granite vineyards are home to vines of about 45 years old, but one plot, called Colette, reaching over 80 years. The grapes undergo carbonic maceration followed by a gentle pressing. A pleasant ruby-red colour, the wine presents fresh red fruit flavours in its youth, but over time evolve into delightful complex ripe fruit flavours.

### Viticulture

The vineyards are cultivated using Haute Valeur Environnementale, a stricter practice than Lutte Raisonnée and very minimal intervention as Jacky's approach is ecological. Only organic manure is used as well as grassing over and shallow ploughing. The soil is granitic and the bush trained vines average 40 years old. The harvest is all carried out by hand with yields never exceeding 45 hl per ha.

### Winemaking

After an exclusively manual harvest that ensures that each bunch is kept whole, they systematically sort the grapes on a sorting table before vatting. Vinified with the classical Beaujolais technique using whole bunches of grapes (no crushing or de-stalking), this allows them to obtain the aromas and flavours that are typical of the region. Depending on the appellation vatting times vary from 7 to 15 days, and fermentation temperatures are carefully controlled. After careful pressing (using a pneumatic press), the wines finish alcoholic fermentation in the vats they will spend the winter in to stabilise naturally.

### Tasting Note

A deep ruby red colour, fresh and aromatic on the nose, with subtle and beautifully integrated tannin.

### Food Matching

The perfect partner to cold meats, simple chicken dishes and fish in creamy sauce.

### Technical Details

#### Varieties:

Gamay 100%

ABV: 13%

Closure: Natural cork

Colour: Red

Style: Still wine

Case Size: 6 x 75cl

#### Oak Ageing

No oak ageing