

Donatien Bahuaud, Chinon Les Boires (2014)

Producer	Donatien Bahuaud
Vendor	Barterhouse Wines & Spirits
Category	Wine - Still - Red
Grape variety	Cabernet Franc
Region	Loire Valley, France
Subregion	Touraine
Appellation	Chinon
Vintage	2014
Alcohol by volume	12.0%



Sizes

750 mL × 12 – BHFRCHI14

Distributor's notes

Since his childhood, Donatien Bahuaud had wandered throughout the area's vineyards, from which he enjoyed watching boats laden with barrels sailing down the Loire River. This pastime led to his vocation. Donatien Bahuaud's family were clog makers, coopers and grape growers, however, he decided that he would become a winemaker. His ambition was that of restoring Muscadet's former splendor when it was served at the table of British royalty and appreciated by French aristocrats during the Renaissance. He founded Donatien Bahuaud in 1929 and he traveled throughout the vineyard with his wines in oak vats loaded on a cart.

This wine of very high expression is the result of an exclusive partnership between Jacques Lurton and our winemakers. It is made from a combination of two terroirs; vines situated on chalky-clay hillsides and to a lesser extent, planted in sandy soils from the Loire (the latter offer harmony to the blend). This great wine is a premium selection of oak-aged wines. It was finally matured in Saint-Hilaire- Saint-Florent, where we invest in a cellar with barrels specially dedicated to this wine. Then, regular tastings take place between Jacques Lurton and our winemakers to guarantee the optimal maturing under oak

Colour: intense red with purple tints.

Nose: frank of black fruits and toasted notes.

Palate: rich with very ripe red fruits, leather, and mellow oak

Awards:

Decanter World Wine Awards, 2016: Commended

International Wine Challenge, 2016: Silver

Decanter World Wine Awards, 2015: Commended

International Wine Challenge, 2015: Commended

Concours des Feminalise, 2014: Bronze