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Château de la Chesnaie 2009

The House of Chéreau Carré occupies the most privileged position in the Nantes region of France. This family owned property dates back to the 15th century and features vines that cover over 267 acres of the highest quality soil in the prized region of the Sèvre-et-Maine. Bernard Chéreau currently manages his family's property. He runs three separate estates within his family's property: Château de La Chesnaie comes from a 25 year old parcel in the heart of Sèvre-et-Maine, Comte Leloup de Chasseloir is a selection of pre-phyloxerra vineyards dating back to the turn of the last century and Le Clos is a single vineyard of 60 year old Muscadet vines on schist soils. Bernard is passionate about the location of his vines and separating individual parcels within each site. In addition, he keeps multiple vintages on hand because he believes that different vintages show different characteristics that are specific to the wines. Using only indigenous yeast and extended lees contacts, Bernard is at the forefront of pushing the boundaries of Muscadet.

Wine: Château de la Chesnaie 2009
Grapes: 100% Melon de Bourgogne
Vine age: 25 years
Soil: Sand and limestone
Farming: Non interventionalist
Vinification: Fermented in stainless steel
and aged on the lees for four months.

