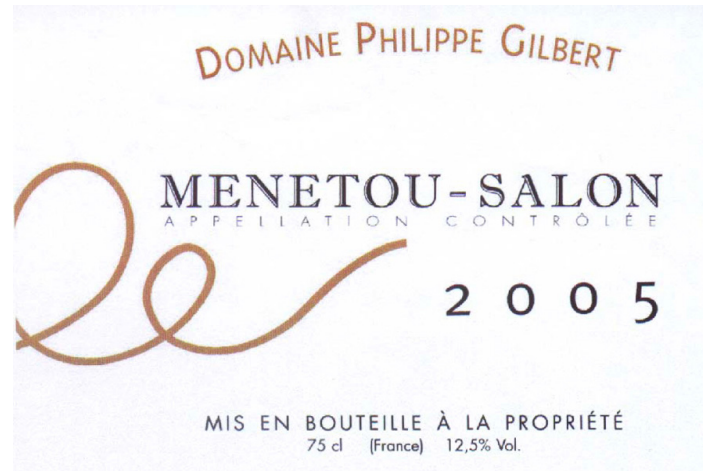


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Menetou-Salon Blanc



At a Glance:

- **Appellation:** AOC Menetou-Salon
- **Encépagement:** Sauvignon Blanc (100%)
- **Average Annual Production:**
- **Average Alcohol by Volume:** 13%
- **Average Residual Sugar:** < 2 g/l
- **Average Total Acidity:**

In The Vineyard:

- **Parcel Names, Slopes, and Locations:** From the south-east-facing Champaloin parcel in Vingoux, the Davet and Chandelières parcels in Menetou-Salon, and the Mantaloise, Clos des Treilles, and Clos du Bourg parcels in Parassy
- **Soil Types and Compositions:** Kimmeridgian limestone clays, similar to the soils of Sancerre and Chablis
- **Vine Age, Training, and Density:** Trained in Guyot and planted at 10,000 vines/ha. Average age is 25-30 years. Le Champaloin planted in 1960, Davet planted in 1990.
- **Average Yields:**
- **Average Harvest Date and Type:** Entirely manual, in mid-late September

In The Cellar:

- **Fermentation:** Wine ferments spontaneously for 2-3 weeks in stainless-steel and concrete tanks.
- **Pressing:** Pneumatic, whole-cluster direct pressing
- **Time on Lees:** 10-18 months
- **Malolactic Fermentation:** Blocked by temperature
- **Élevage:** 10-18 months in stainless-steel and concrete tanks
- **Press Wine:** Blended after pressing
- **Fining and Filtration:** Bentonite fined, unfiltered
- **Sulfur:** 25-40 mg/l total

In The Glass:

The village level white of the domaine offers notes of citrus, pear, and grapefruit tied to salinity and cutting mineral backbone inherited from the region's kimmeridgian soils.