## MAISON FOUCHER-LEBRUN CABERNET D'ANJOU "EN MIREBEAU"



Located 30 kilometers northeast of Sancerre in the village of Aligny-Cosne, Maison Foucher is a "Petit Négociant" with a mission to craft classic expressions of Loire Valley appellations at exceptional values. The estate was founded in 1921 by Paul Lebrun, a cooper by trade, who developed his company servicing a clientele made up of restaurants and cafés in the Loire Valley and Paris. During the 1950s, Paul's son-in-law Raymond Foucher took the reins and then in 1985 passed the baton to his son, Jacky Foucher. In late 2009, with the

aim of raising the company's image and developing overseas business, the Foucher family brought on Jean Mounard as a new partner. Jean spent many years at the helm of a fine and rare wine brokerage business in Paris, specializing in iconic estates such as DRC, Mouton-Rothchild and Leflaive. His first order of business was to pioneer the production of small batch wines from selected plots in Sancerre, Pouilly-Fumé and Saumur-Champigny, some of which are now farmed organically. Given his deep experience tasting the great wines of the world as well as his many contacts among top producers in the Loire, Jean has been able to establish strong relationships with growers and significantly elevate the quality of the wines.

Region:Loire ValleyAppellation:Cabernet d'AnjouOwner:Jacky Foucher

Established: 1921
Farming Practices: Traditional
Soil: Clay and gravel

**Vineyard:** Five-hectare plot at the north-eastern boundary of the appellation

**Grape Varieties:** 100% Cabernet Franc

Vinification and Élevage: The Cabernet Franc grapes from the "En Mirabeau" vineyard site are fermented in stainless steel for maximum fruit and freshness.

**Tasting Notes:** The Cabernet d'Anjou "En Mirebeau" offers pure aromas of red fruits such as raspberries and red currants. Th wine offers good depth of flavor and a fresh finish with a touch of sweetness on the palate. The French call the style "demi-sec" or "semi-dry" but in reality, it is semi-sweet. Note: Cabernet d'Anjou is always on the sweet side. Wine labelled as Anjou Rosé is typically finished dry.

