

DOMAINE DES VIEILLES CAVES/ JANODET SAINT-AMOUR



One of the smallest of the ten designated Crus of Beaujolais, the tiny appellation of Saint-Amour takes its name from a Roman soldier named Amor who converted to Christianity and settled in the Saône valley in the early Middle Ages. While the primary work of the renowned Janodet family is centered around their Domaine Les Fines Graves in nearby Moulin-à-Vent, Jérôme

Janodet also owns a neighboring property, the Domaine des Vieilles Caves, in the village of Chénas. Located between the towns of Belleville and Mâcon, the domaine's cellar dates back to 1840. Following environmentally friendly viticulture and traditional winemaking techniques, Jérôme Janodet makes a sumptuous Saint-Amour wine from a small plot of 75- to 100-year-old Gamay vines once owned by his grandfather. A mere 200 cases are made each year.

Region:	Beaujolais
Appellation:	Saint-Amour
Owner:	Jérôme Janodet
Farming Practices:	Sustainable
Soil:	Clay, schist and granite
Grape Varieties:	100% Gamay
Avg. Age of Vines:	75-100 years
Yield/Hectare:	35 hl/ha
Avg. Productions:	2,400 bottles

Vinification and Élevage: Traditional semi-carbonic fermentation in large vat. Aging for 6 months in older barrique. Assemblage takes place in cement vats, after which the wine is bottled.

Tasting Notes: Violet, dark berries and peppery spices on the nose with mineral and cola nuances. Juicy, concentrated and focused on the palate, with black raspberry, cherry, and lavender flavors that lead to a long, elegant mineral-driven finish. Enjoy with your favorite bistro fare such as country pâté, steak frites, leg of lamb, or chicken on the grill.

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