

Sommelier Questions

What is the minimum % ABV for Alsace Grand Cru Muscat and Alsace? Gris and Gewurz?

- Riesling & Muscat = 11%
- PG & Gewurz = 12.5%

What does the term Gentil indicate on a label?

- Has a minimum of 50% noble grapes in the blend and they are vinified separately
- Must be vintage dated

How many Grand Crus in Alsace?

- 51

Sylvaner may be bottled as a single varietal in which Alsace Grand Cru?

- Zotzenberg

Varietal Alsace AOP wines labelled as 'Pinot Blanc' may be blends of which grapes?

- Pinot Blanc & Auxerrois

What is a Clavelin?

- The 62cl bottle used for Vin Jaune in the Jura
- 62cl is the amount left from 1L after aging for the required 6yrs and 3 months in barrel

What are the four AOPs of the Jura

- Cote du Jura
- Arbois
- L'Etoile
- Chateau Chalon

Roulette de Bugey AOP is produced from what varietal?

- Altesse (Roulette)

Name the AOPs of the Savoie

- Vin de Savoie
- Roulette de Savoie
- Seyssel
- Roulette de Bugey
- Bugey

What is the traditional bottle shape called in the Savoie?

- La Savoyarde

What is the minimum aging for Vin Jaune in the Jura?

- 6yrs + 3months, including 60months under the voile, no topping

- Age till December 15th, 6th year after harvest
- Released January 1st, 7th year after harvest

What does Edelzwicker mean?

- Field blend
- Must contain 2 or more of the 9 permitted varieties of Alsace

What is the Gres de Vosges?

- The pink sandstone of Alsace

In what Alsace Grand Cru is Clos Saint Hune located?

- Rosacker

What is the minimum amount of time Bandol Rouge must spend in oak?

- Min 18 months

What are the communes of the VDN Rasteau AOP?

- Cairanne
- Rasteau (Non VDN can only come from this village)
- Sablet