



# Terroirs et Lieux-Dits de Loire, Array, Rouge, 2016 AOC Saumur, Vallée de la Loire et Centre, France

## PRESENTATION

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#### WINEMAKING

The grapes are destemmed and put into a pneumatic winepress. Cold settling of the must for 24 hours. Cold fermentation (17-19°C). After bottling, the wine is stored in our 25-metre-deep cellars where it ages away from light and variations in temperature.

## **AGEING**

Aged on the lees for 7 months with regular bâtonnage (stirring) that keeps them in suspension while adding roundness and volume.

## VARIETAL

Cabernet franc 100%

#### SERVING

Serve well-chilled (10-12°C).

### AGEING POTENTIAL

5 years

#### TASTING

Straw-yellow colour with green highlights. Forward, intense bouquet of white fruit (peach) and citrus (lime), with menthol nuances. Starts off round and smooth, going into a long, lively aftertaste with a mineral component. Altogether expressive, fluid, and well-structured.

## FOOD PAIRINGS

This wine goes perfectly with monkfish on a bed of leeks, as well as Asian cuisine, salads, and fresh goat's cheese. It is quite nice as an aperitif too.





