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500 ANS D'HISTOIRE

# SANCERRE ROUGE LE RABAULT 2018

**Elegance and fruitiness.**

## VINEYARD

**Terroir:** marl and clay-limestone.

**Grape variety:** Pinot Noir.

**Surface area:** 7 hectares.

**Age of vines:** 20 years.

**Reasoned agriculture:** mechanical weeding, tillage.



## CLIMATE CONDITIONS

**Winter:** mild.

**Spring:** a few frosts.

**Summer:** heat and drought.

**Autumn:** Indian summer.



## HARVEST PERIOD

**September 7-28**

## WINEMAKING

**Harvest:** manual.

**Fermentation:** in thermoregulated stainless-steel vats with the process of pumping over, then rack and return.

**Aging:** in stainless-steel vats.



## TASTING

**Appearance:** light ruby color.

**Nose:** expressive nose mixing the fruitiness of cherry and strawberry with floral, rose aromas.

**Palate:** balanced, notes of kirsch. Firm, with fine and silky tannins underpinned by a beautiful freshness. The finish is long and precise.



## WINE PAIRING

This wine will go marvelously well with duck breasts with Morello cherries, nut-crusted lamb rack, or simply a flank steak with shallots. Also pairs pleasantly well with Époisses or Livarot.

