

# **Charles Hours Jurançon Sec Cuvée Marie**

## **ABOUT THE ESTATE**

- Located at the base of the Pyrenees Mountains, Jurançon is a hidden gem of an appellation in southwest France.
- Winemaker Charles Hours quietly crafts his wines here, wearing his signature smile and beret while working in the vineyards.
- He makes two wines, one a Jurançon Sec called Cuvée Marie that employs local grape Gros Manseng to its best expressive, floral, minerally effect.
- Charles' sweet wine, the Clos Uruolat, is made from Petit Manseng that is partially dried on the vine and picked in several passes.
- These wines celebrate the unique history of Jurançon.

### **APPELLATION**

Jurançon Sec

# **SUB-REGION**

Jurançon

# **GRAPE VARIETY**

Gros Manseng, Petit Courbu

#### **FARMING**

Sustainable, Organic

#### SOIL

Clay, with chalk and flint, covered in gravel and stony deposits washed down from the Pyrenees

## **VINEYARDS & VITICULTURE**

Vines grown on a seven-acre vineyard with southeast exposure.

## **HARVEST & VINIFICATION**

The vineyards are manually harvested in separate passes over the course of the dry Béarnaise harvest. The grapes are immediately pressed in a pneumatic press, avoiding skin contact. The Jurançon Sec takes up to 20 days to ferment to dryness. Aged in barrel for ten months (5-10% new) before diatomaceous earth filtration and bottling.

## **ALCOHOL BY VOLUME**

14.0

# **PACK SIZE**

12x750mL

