

FIEF NOIR



Year Founded: 2014

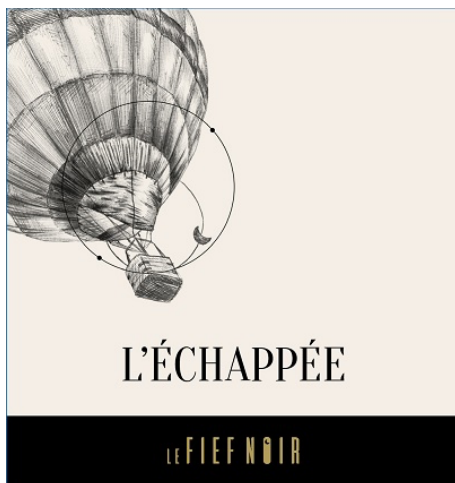
Region: Loire Valley, Anjou, Saint Lambert du Lattay, France

Winemaker(s): Dominique Sirot & Alexis Soulas

Fun Fact: In medieval times, a fief was a piece of property owned by a noble who granted rights to its use, often in exchange for allegiance or payments.

-Certified Organic, Biodynamic-

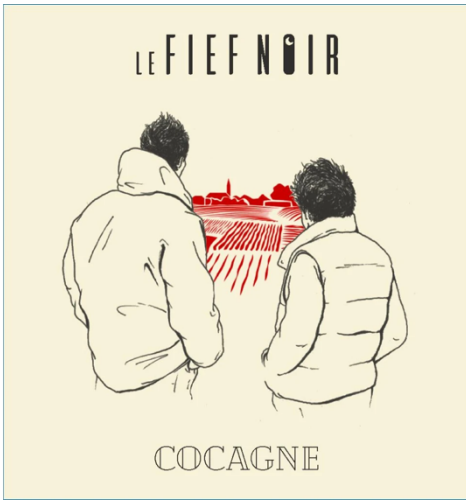
One of the more dynamic winemaking teams in the Anjou today is the partnership of Dominique Sirot and Alexis Soulas at Fief Noir. Here in the heart of Anjou “noir,” where dark, schist-rich soils provide first-rate terroir for Chenin Blanc, raw nature is the overlord, demanding both faith and fealty each growing season. This northern climate requires a more symbiotic approach to winemaking, a tacit understanding between the soils and the souls that till it, and the team at Fief Noir exhibits how deep their knowledge is with each bottle. These are wines that are vivacious and pure, honest in their depiction of the true character of each grape and irresistible in their aromatic clarity and flavorful power. Dominique and Alexis spent years working the sun-challenged lands of Corsica together, and ventured forth with a vast comprehension of how grape vines adapt amid an ever-changing climate. Their mutual passion for the vibrancy and energy of Loire wines inspired them to head north and pursue their own project. In 2014, they discovered an estate for sale in Saint Lambert du Lattay with impeccable terroir, the true “black soils” of Anjou, the same mineral vein that feeds Savennières and the world’s greatest Chenin Blanc wines. From day one they chose organic and biodynamics to guide their collective hands, a philosophy and practice based above all on respect – for the soil and the vines, for the team they trust to work these fields and for you, the wine lover, charmed by these honest flavors of Anjou.



Anjou Blanc 'L'Echappee' 2023

100% Chenin Blanc. Hand-harvested. Pressed directly and fermented on indigenous yeasts in stainless steel tank. Aged in tank for 6 months, with lees stirring. Unfined. Aromas suggest green pear, fresh pineapple, white peach. Round, juicy and fresh; sapid, with crushed stones and citrus zest on the finish. Drink as an aperitif; roasted chicken with fresh herbs; regional goat cheese; French pâté with green peppercorns.

Fun Fact: L'Échappée in French means “the escape.”



Val de Loire 'Cocagne' Grolleau 2023

This rare, 100% Grolleau wine is a delicious treat and a revelation in its own right — lively red berries and peppery kick, thirst-quenching through and through. A delightful spring sipper or companion for all sorts of summer snacks. Hand-harvested. Short maceration on full cluster for one week; fermented on indigenous yeasts in concrete tanks. Aged in concrete tanks for 6 months. Unfined and unfiltered. Aromas suggest pie cherry and red summer fruit, lightly peppery; flavors are suave and juicy, mouth-watering. Red fruits, spice, fresh. Drink as an aperitif; roasted chicken with fresh herbs; regional goat cheese; French pâté with green peppercorns.

Fun Fact: Cocagne in French refers to a land (often imaginary) of plenty; a place where anything is possible, an Eldorado.