



# Vincent Pinard

## Sancerre (Loire)



Vincent Pinard is one of the most innovative and dedicated producers of the Loire Valley. He has 10 hectares of Sauvignon Blanc and 2.5 hectares of Pinot Noir, planted mainly on the hard chalky land of the commune of Bué. These wines are made in the vineyard where low yields result in exquisitely elegant wines of great subtlety, complexity and concentration.

*"Vincent Pinard's top vineyards are in the Clos du Chene Marchand lieu-dit from which come the three special cuvees. He was one of the first Sancerre winemakers to vinify in barrel and remains one of the few to have achieved the correct oak balance. Cuvee Flores (made without oak) is concentrated, flowery and old viney; Nuance is a mixture of one-third barrel and two-thirds tank fermented wine and is subtle and persistent. Harmonie is entirely vinified in wood and is an exotic, and more obviously oaky wine. There is a splendid finesse throughout the range and these wines are much in demand."*  
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***"Top notch Sancerres from a leading family domaine. Every bottling is recommended."***  
Jacqueline Freidrich 'The wines of France'



**White wine 100% Sauvignon Blanc**

### **2008 Sancerre 'Florès'**

100% tank fermented and aged. As the name suggests this cuvee is very floral. Fine crisp and very classic there is plenty of fruit here, lemon, lime and grapefruit zest with a ripe juicy acidity, a strong complex terroir dimension is obvious, too, with its chalky, mineral touches.

### **2007 Sancerre 'Nuance'**

Aged 1/3rd in barrel and 2/3rds in tank. From old vines planted on a limestone-based vineyard, this offers delightful, juicy grapefruit, lemon, peach, more stony mineral characteristics. Intense, clear and pure flavours conveyed across the palate by a rich creamy texture.

### **2008 Sancerre 'Petit Chemarin'**

From one of the best vineyards in Sancerre this is the first vintage of a single vineyard cuvee from Vincent Pinard and stunning wine it is too. Aged 1/2 in barrel and 1/2 in tank. Fine and minerally with a little texture from the oak component this finishes with outstanding drive and acidity. Stunning.

**Dry Red Wine 100% Pinot Noir**

### **2008 Sancerre Rouge**

Barrel aged in 3, 4 and 5 year old oak. No fining or filtration. Very perfumed and attractive with lovely ripe Pinot aromas. Good finesse too, slightly smoky, with notes of redcurrant and cinnamon; this is impressive. The palate is fine, fresh, well balanced, round and polished. At the core fine and ripe tannins. Very pretty fruit, although a serious character alongside, dense and broad too. A remarkable wine for the appellation.