



- **Country:** France
- **Region:** Burgundy
- **Subregion:** Côte De Beaune, Volnay
- **Vintage:** 2017
- **Colour:** Red
- **Grape Variety:** Pinot Noir
- **ABV:** 13%
- **Bottle Size:** 75cl
- **Closure:** Natural cork
- **Style:** Full and generous
- **Drink With:** A slow roasted shoulder of lamb

DOMAINE FONTAINE GAGNARD VOLNAY 1ER CRU CLOS DES CHÊNES 2017

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This is a generous wine with good open aromas of violets - a hallmark of Volnay - and red berries leading to a generous and silky palate with firm yet refined tannins. This is a wine that is ideal for drinking in youth or after a decade of cellaring and will delight the drinker at any stage.

ABOUT THE GROWER

Domaine Fontaine-Gagnard was born in 1985 from the vineyard holdings of the Gagnard-Delagrangue estate which was divided between two daughters when they married. Each of the Gagnard daughters added their husband's surname to theirs when naming their inherited domaines. Richard Fontaine, a former air force engineer, married into the Gagnard wine family when he wed Laurence, the daughter of Jacques and Marie-Joséphé Gagnard, and their extremely capable daughter Céline is now working alongside them.

Farming 12 hectares of vines mostly in Chassagne-Montrachet, with some parcels in Volnay and Pommard, Domaine Fontaine-Gagnard's excellent reputation is based upon the especially high quality of its white wines. However, Fontaine-Gagnard also produces very lovely reds which are not only beautifully pure expressions of Pinot Noir but which are also very attractively priced. To make wines of such exceptional richness, finesse, and mineral intensity, organic methods are used wherever possible and the use of oak is judicious to allow for the purest embodiments of the estate's respective terroirs.

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