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In the Vineyard

This winter was mild. February, unseasonably warm, made us fear a precocious harvest like in 2003. Fortunately, March and April were cool, allowing us to plan on a regular harvest. Spring care was performed under a rather wet weather, which forced us to watch for the mildew, a rot dangerous for the grapes and the leaves.

Starting with two weeks of very nice weather in June, then an almost continuous sunshine after July 10, the summer is there. The vines are beautiful because of the water they received in the spring. In the richest plots, we let grass grow between the rows of vines to regulate their growth. Therefore all the vo,es are showing already a very promising harvest.



In the Cellar

Our traditional vintages are bottled since June. 2007 reveals all its promises, very refined wines, red fruit aromas, the gamay to its fullest potential. This year, our Moulin-à-Vent, which is growing in a manganese rich soil, is especially seducing.

Laurent introduced our wines on the US West Coast, in Los Angeles and Seattle. The American do not know very well the crus of Beaujolais but once they taste them, they fall in love. Our "special cuvee" received the most positive comments. Jon Rimmerman has written an article that made us very proud.



May is also the month of the celebrations of St Julienas des Prés in the famous 6th arrondissement of Paris. In 1993, Julienas wine makers planted 12 vines in the churchyard of the St Germain church. To watch over those vines, they created the brotherhood of "Saint Juliénas des Prés" attended by the wine lovers of the Latin Quarter and the artists of the city of light. Every year, 12 famous wine lovers become guardians of each vine. Laurent, the president of the Julienas Cru, was obviously there to animate this event.

This summer, our Morgon 2007 "Les Versauds" receives an award by Cuisine et Vins de France; our

Moulin-à-Vent is referenced in "Bourgogne Aujourd'hui". Three school year friends invested in a small vineyard of St-Amour, at les Gagères. They have asked to tender those vines. So, with the 2008 vintage, a few hundred bottles of this romantic wine will be offered at the Domaine.

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