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**JEAN FOILLARD**  
(Villié-Morgon)

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*With Jean Foillard in the Corcelette vineyard in Morgon*

In the cru of *Morgon*, off the country lane, on an unremarkable spot, there is a tiny faded rusty sign that marks the specific parcel or *lieu-dit* (as French would say) of *Corcelette*. The sign is so unassuming that it is easy to miss. It seems the road sign is only visible to those who are willing to seek. Over the years of visiting France, I have learned grandeur the vineyard humbler the sign.

The *Corcelette* vineyard is like no other in the cru or *Morgon*. I have driven and walked many parts of *Morgon* numerous times with Jean Foillard. The *lieu-dit* of *Corcelette* is in the northern portion of *Morgon*, where the portion bumps into the cru of *Fleurie*. The soils in the *lieu-dit* of *Corcelette* has sandy soils, like *Fleurie*, unlike the rest of *Morgon*. In the photo above, you can see the sandy soil. Jean Foillard *Cuvée Corcelette* has a striking floral nose that reminds me of his *Fleurie*. Jean Foillard *Cuvée Corcelette* is the prettiest *Morgon* that I know – least to my palate.

All crus of Beaujolais are, of course, volcanic soil but it is *Cuvée Corcelette* that has sandstone that gives the striking floral nose. Jean Foillard and his wife Agnès have worked their entire lives to bottle the various parcels within the crus.



**MORGON 2021**  
**SKU: 144504 Speculative 750ml 12 bottles/ case**  
**\$ 34.59 per bottle Wholesale**

The vineyards for this *Morgon* comes from the parcels that are less hilly than the cuvées below, which gives more fruity wine. This 2021 is pretty and elegant with a hint of alluring spices. It is hard to stop with just a glass. Maceration is shorter than the below single *lieux-dits* bottlings and *élevage* is shorter in neutral cement tanks. Drink it slightly chilled, just as the *Foillards* do. Just a couple cases of 2021 vintage before switching over to the 2022. The 2021 is floral and pretty while the 2022 is riper with more spices.



**MORGON 'CUVÉE CORCELETTE' 2021**  
**SKU: 161166 Speculative 750ml 12 bottles/case**  
**\$47.61 per bottle Wholesale**

While the *Côte du Py* (see below) has spices, *Cuvée Corcelette* has floral nose that is unique to this *lieu-dit*. Agnès et Jean Foillard have just over a hectare of this vineyard, where there is some sandstone that is present in this vineyard. *Cuvée Corcelette* sits very close to *Fleurie*, which explains the presence of the sandstone. To my palate, this *Morgon Cuvée Corcelette* has a resemblance to *Fleurie*. The vines are 80+ years old. Best served slightly chilled to enhance perfume. Eternally pretty. A couple of cases of 2021 before switching over to the 2022 vintage. The 2021 is floral and pretty while the 2022 is riper with flowers and spices.



**MORGON 'CÔTE DU PY' 2022**  
**SKU: 161158 Speculative 750ml 12 bottles/ case**  
**\$47.61 per bottle Wholesale**

Attractive spices with a beautiful after taste. The cashmere texture that is a hallmark of *Agnès et Jean Foillard*. I can't think of another *vigneron*, who produces *crus* with such texture. Every stage of wine making in the cellar is moved slowly and naturally by gravity. Even the containers of pressed juices are poured back to the vats using a fork lifter, not through the use of a mechanical pump. The thoughtful details contribute to this silky texture. *Côte du Py* is a *lieu-dit* within *Morgon*, where the local *vignerons* believe it is one of the best sites. *Côte du Py* is on the steep hill with a full southern exposure, consisting of pure volcanic soils. The vines on the *Foillard's Côte du Py* are 80+ years old.

The wine is raised in neutral Burgundy barrels for about a year, followed by additional months prior to release.

**MORGON 'CÔTE DU PY' 2022 (MAGNUMS)**  
**SKU: 161638 Speculative 1.5 Litre 6 bottles/ case**  
**\$97.44 per bottle Wholesale**

Jean Foillard bottles this wine MAGNUMS for a good reason. This *cuvée* ages gracefully.



**FLEURIE 2022**  
**SKU: 417907 Speculative 750ml 12 bottles/ case**  
**\$51.13 per bottle Wholesale**

Inimitable silky texture that is unique to *Agnès et Jean Foillard*. Elegant. Floral. From the stunning *lieu-dit* of *Champagne* in *Fleurie*. *Agnès et Jean Foillard's Fleurie* vineyard sits on a mid-slope, facing southeast. The soil is sandstone mixed with volcanic soils. It is this sandstone that imparts the floral nose – according to *Agnès et Jean Foillard*. The local *vignerons* universally acknowledge this particular site is one of the finest in *Fleurie*. *Fleurie* mean “flowered” in French. Tasting this *Fleurie* with the other *cuvées*, it becomes obvious why the *Foillards* consider this *lieu-dit* to be their finest. *Agnès et Jean Foillard* would have labelled this wine as *Fleurie 'Champagne'*, like it is done with the single parcel bottlings of *Morgon* but there would likely have been a legal action from the *Champenois*, even though the *lieu-dit* of *Champagne* in *Fleurie* was written into the local texts

before the bubbles of Champagne.

