

Chiroubles 2018



91 POINTS

Domaine Chapel was founded by David Chapel and Michele Smith-Chapel in Régnié. The Chapels produced their first wine in partnership with Mathieu and Camille Lapierre of Domaine Lapierre in the 2016 vintage. The Chapels met there in 2013, when Michele, a wine director based in Brooklyn, NY, was visiting the region. This, their first Chiroubles comes from two high altitude (average 400 meters), steeply-sloped parcels of organically farmed vines: Saint-Roch & Poullet. Vines range from 40-65 years, and the soils are granite bedrock with pink granite and sandstone overlay. After a native semi-carbonic ferment over 3 weeks, this was transferred to cask where it rested for 8 months before bottling, unfiltered. Pretty and perfumed, with delicate red florals, raspberry, and strawberry blossoms. There's a fine rasp of tannins around the sides and a lot of easy acidity that raises to this a lingering cherry kissed finish. Very moreish. #GoGamayGo



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