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Armelle and Bernard RION, their daughter Alice and her husband Louis, are working on 8 ha, mostly on Côte de Nuits. For the work of the vine and the wine aging, the Rion family keeps using the tradition handed down from generation to generation.

NUITS-SAINT-GEORGES 1^{ER} CRU « Les Damodes »

Red wine made from Pinot Noir grapes.

Nuits-Saint-Georges 1^{er} cru « Les Damodes » is located at the border of the Vosne-Romanée's appellation. This vineyard, aged about 50 years, is exposed at the east of the coast. This is a sloping vineyard, which demands a perfect control of the ground to work on it; its productivity is quite low. For this field, and in all the exploitation, the Domaine Rion makes a sustainable and rational agriculture, by working the soil without insecticides.

After a manual harvest, the crop is destemmed then it ferments during about twenty days in a cement tank. The vatful is crushed manually. After the pressing, the wine is put into oak barrels (50% of new oak) for around 15 months.

Nuits-Saint-Georges 1^{er} cru « Les Damodes » is powerful and delicate wine, with black fruits aromas when they are young. After some years, it will be stronger. It is perfect with red meat, game and with cheese.

Keeping: 10 years and more.

