

Lavernette

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Demeter biodynamic since 2007. 11.8-ha. Xavier de Boissieu and his American wife Kerrie met when they were both working together at Saintsbury in Carneros and from 2005 began converting Xavier's family's vineyard, which mostly surround the château, to biodynamics. Biodynamic compost 502–507 is made from horse manure, cow manure and pomace. Prepared horn manure 500 + 502–507, plus stinging nettle and common horsetail 508 teas which are harvested and prepared on-site, are stirred in a 110-litre copper dynamiser. Vegan-suitable *crémant*, Beaujolais Villages red/white and Pouilly-Fuissé.