

LES
Climats
ET LIEUX-DITS
de Bourgogne

THEIR NAMES EXPLAINED



VINS DE
BOURGOGNE



The term *Climat* is unique to Bourgogne. It is the Burgundian expression of the notion of *terroir*.

Climats are precisely delimited plots that enjoy particular geological and climatic conditions which, when combined with traditional working practices and translated by the two grape varieties – *Pinot Noir* for red wines and *Chardonnay* for whites – have given rise to an extraordinary patchwork of world renowned wines, ranked according to a hierarchy.



Les *Climats*, the ultimate expression of Bourgogne's *terroir*

The Burgundian *Climats* and *lieux-dits* correspond to the precise identity of Bourgogne wines. Their names bear testimony to the rich history of Bourgogne as a wine-making region, and can be traced to three main influences :

THE GEOGRAPHICAL ENVIRONMENT,

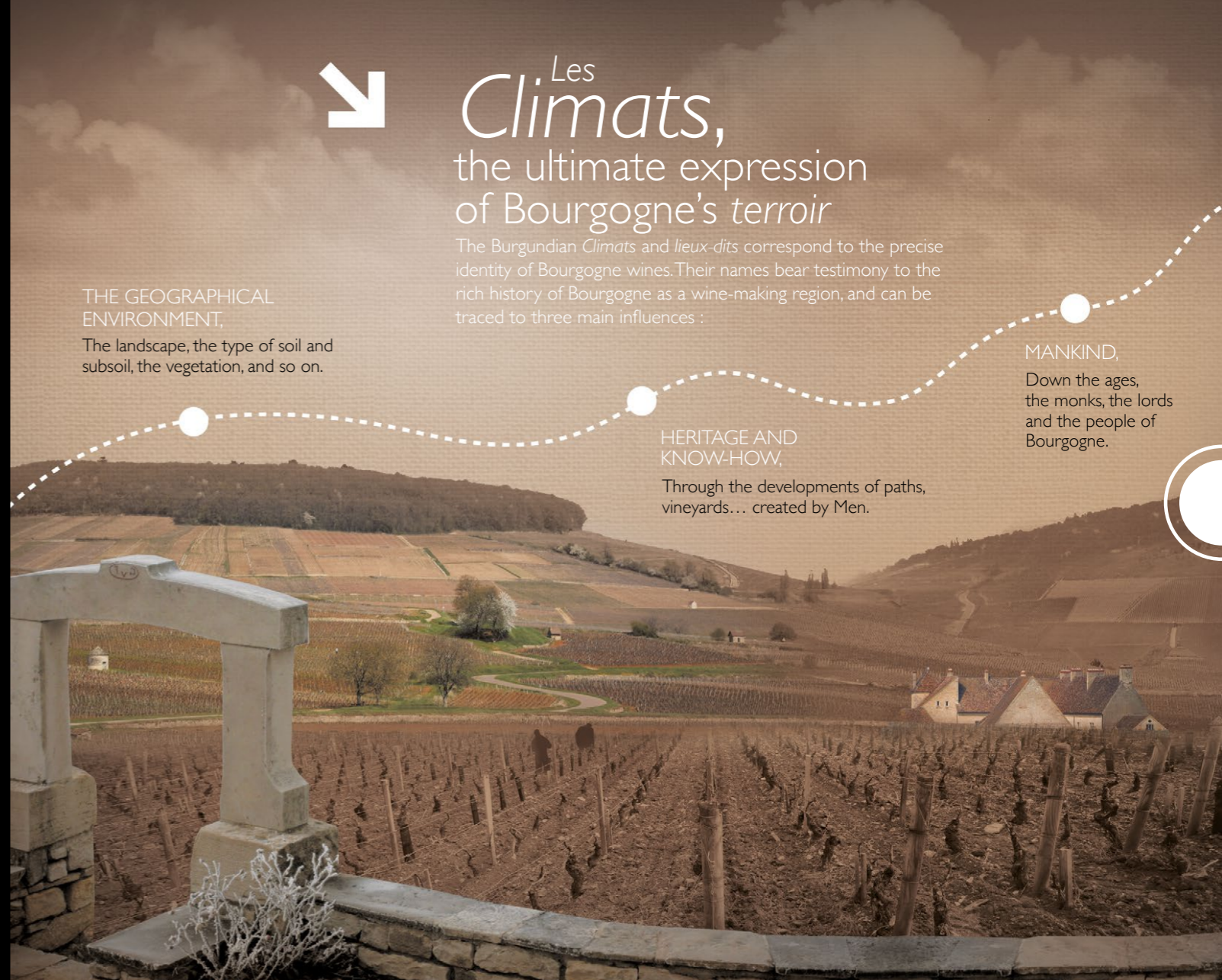
The landscape, the type of soil and subsoil, the vegetation, and so on.

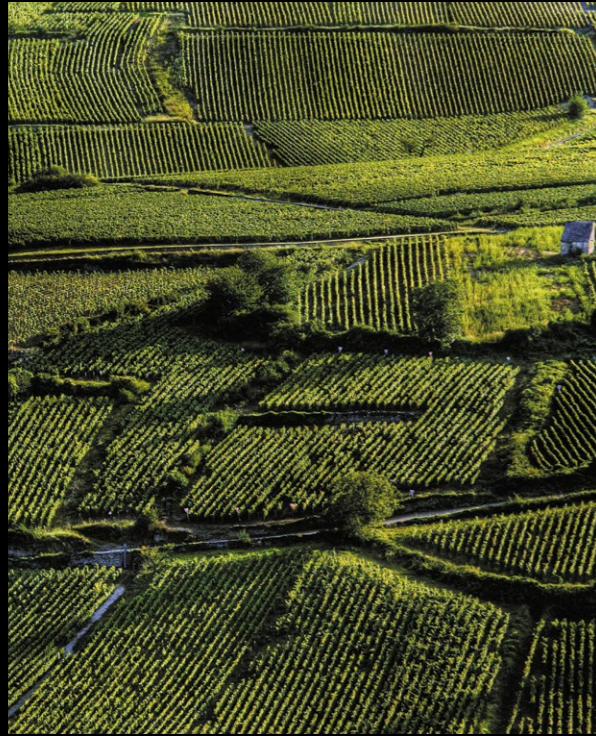
HERITAGE AND KNOW-HOW,

Through the developments of paths, vineyards... created by Men.

MANKIND,

Down the ages, the monks, the lords and the people of Bourgogne.





With 2,000 years of history, the *terroir* of Bourgogne has a varied geographical and geological environment from north to south.

It is from these environmental factors and the layout of the land that certain *Climats* and *lieux-dits* take their names. Each *Climat* and *lieu-dit* has its own relief, aspect and elevation, each with distinct vegetation, all of which give the plot its own unique character. The same goes for the geological nature of the soils and subsoil which can be marls, limestone or clay, all of marine origin from the Jurassic period.



The geographical Environment of Bourgogne



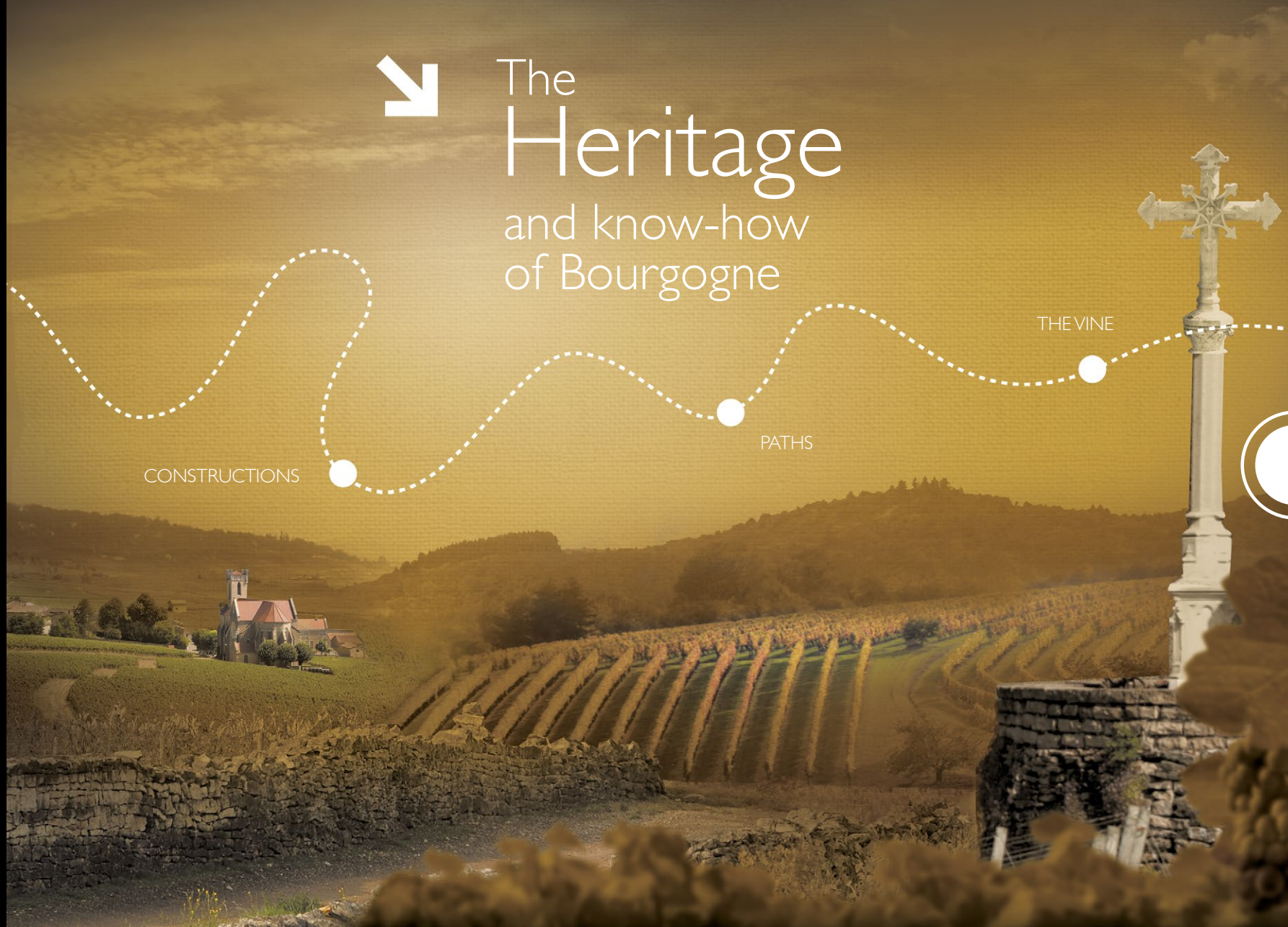
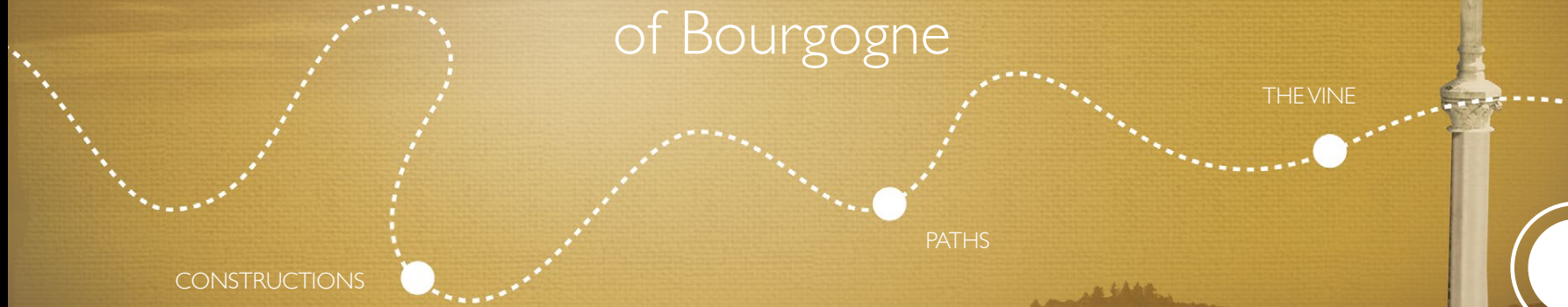


Throughout the centuries, the men and women of Bourgogne have shaped their environment. They have built paths, *clos* and huts. They have cleared the land, planted vines and delineated the *Climats* and *lieux-dits*.

They have thus built up a unique *savoir-faire* which today constitutes the Burgundian heritage; an ancestral heritage in which the *Climats* and *lieux-dits* have their roots.



The Heritage and know-how of Bourgogne





The history of *vine growing* in Bourgogne began with the ancient Romans, more than *20 centuries* ago. It has since been shaped by *local people*, and by *kings, lords* and *monks* through successive periods of *French history*.

The names of certain *Climats* and *lieux-dits* in Bourgogne still bear traces of this history that was so patiently created.



The People of Bourgogne, their lives, their history

PRESTIGIOUS ECCLESIASTICAL AND ARISTOCRATIC OWNERS

THE BOURGOGNE TEMPERAMENT

SEASONAL WORK



of rouge premier (cattelle de Beaune)
les Ares...

TASTE AND SHARE THE EXPERIENCE

Each *Climat* and *lieu-dit* transmits its own character and personality into the wines, making each Bourgogne wine unique, incomparable and inimitable.

FIND OUT MORE

about Bourgogne's
Climats and *lieux-dits* at

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Unique in the world, the **Climats de Bourgogne** are now inscribed on the UNESCO World Heritage List.

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