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## - MAISON CHAMPY JOINS THE RESTRICTED CIRCLE OF THE LIVING HERITAGE COMPANIES IN FRANCE

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*Entreprise  
du Patrimoine  
Vivant*

*L'excellence  
des savoir-faire  
français*

As the only distinction given by the French government, associated with the recognition of exceptional know-how, the "**Entreprise du Patrimoine Vivant (EPV)**" (Living Heritage Company) aims to promote French companies of excellence in order to encourage their growth. Created in 2005, managed by the National Institute of Arts and Crafts and given by the "Prefects" of the region, the EPV certification can "award any company which has an economic heritage, in particular with a remarkable know-how, renowned or ancestral, based on the mastery of traditional or high-tech techniques and limited to a territory".

*"We are very proud of this recognition about our know-how and our requirements both in the vineyard and in our cellars», says Thierry Bellicaud, president of Maison Champy. "Our actions towards organic and reasoned viticulture have been praised, as well as the passion and the transmission philosophy that has existed within Maison Champy since 1720, of which we are today the heirs."*

**Winegrower with 21 hectares of vines on the Côte de Beaune from Volnay to the hill of Corton, Maison Champy has maintained its Craftsmanship** dimension with three men of Art headed by Dimitri Bazas. For the past twenty years, he has been passionately and skillfully leading a small team with Francis Simon, the vineyard manager, who joined the company in 1999, and José Ramalho, the cellar master, who started working for the company 37 years ago. This experienced trio has shared out the tasks with good harmony and over the last three years has worked hard to develop the facilities in order to supervise the production of its wines with irreproachable care.

Finally, the historical site, rue du Grenier à Sel, renovated in 2019, is the living proof of this heritage that has been taken back in hand, since the Champy wines are vinified, matured and bottled on these premises as well as in the 15th century cellars, formerly attached to the town's Jacobines convent. Maison Champy is the last to have kept its activity in the old town of Beaune.

Maison Champy joins the 1500 French companies that have been awarded this distinction. It is the only wine house awarded within companies that are more than 100 years old.

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