

Souvignier gris

White grape
variety

Origin

Parents: Bronner and Cabernet Sauvignon



Breeder: Staatliches Weinbauinstitut Freiburg (Germany) - 1983

Aptitude for wine

Phenology

Southern region: **Late bud breaking.** A few days after the Chardonnay in the Aude; **early ripening.** Harvest five days before the Chardonnay in the Aude

Northern region: **Bud breaking average,** similar to Pinot Blanc. **Ripening average to late** One week after the Pinot Blanc.

Vigour and production

Very vigorous

Yields: sometimes **higher** than the Chardonnay.
6 to 20 t/ha in northern region



Resistance to fungal diseases

Powdery mildew	+++
Downy mildew	++ / +++

Highly resistant to downy and powdery mildew. Resistance to botrytis noted in northern region.

Resistance level : + = moderate resistance ; ++ = good resistance ; +++ = very good resistance



Oenology parameters

High acidity. Citrus and exotic fruit aromas

The agronomic and oenological characteristics of grape varieties are taken from VATE trials by chambers of agriculture in Hérault and Aude, the WBI Freiburg and the work "Les cépages résistants aux maladies cryptogamiques – Panorama européen" (a technical guide with a European overview of resistant varieties) (ICV, 2013) (observations in Germany, Switzerland and