

# Molette B

Wine grape variety.



## Origin

This variety is native to the Savoie and based on published genetic analyses is probably a descendant of Gouais blanc.

## Use

Wine grape variety.

## Name of the variety in France

Molette

## Synonymy

There is no officially recognized synonym in France nor in the other countries of the European Union, for this variety.

## Regulatory data

In France, Molette is officially listed in the "Catalogue of vine varieties" on the A list and classified.

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## Description elements

The identification is based on:

- the tip of the young shoot with a high density of prostrate hairs,
- the yellow young leaves,
- the large, entire, circular adult leaves, with a slightly open or closed U-shaped petiole sinus, medium to long teeth compared to their width at the base with straight sides, a moderate anthocyanin coloration of veins, an involute leaf blade and on the lower side of the leaves, a medium to high density of erect hairs and a low to medium density of prostrate hairs,
- the round-shaped or slightly obloid berries.

# Evolution of cultivated areas in France

Year	1958	1968	1979	1988	1998	2008	2018
ha	98	96	36	32	34	30	27

## Genetic profile

Microsatellite	VVS2	VVMD5	VVMD7	VVMD27	VRZAG62	VRZAG79	VVMD25	VVMD28	VVMD32
Allele 1	131	232	247	176	194	244	248	233	249
Allele 2	141	234	249	178	196	260	254	245	251

### Cultivation and agronomic skills

Molette is vigorous with a fairly erect bearing. Its fertility is average when pruned short, but production becomes substantial when this variety is pruned long. Molette seems well adapted to clay-limestone and sandy soils.

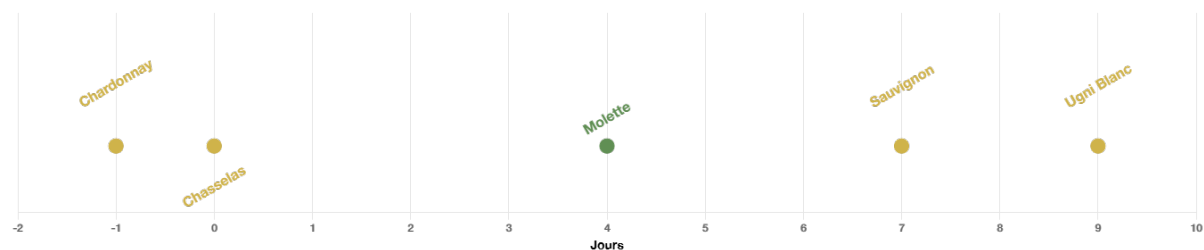
### Clonal selection in France

The two certified Molette clones carry the numbers 1039 and 1230. A conservatory of twenty or so clones was planted in 1999 in the wine-growing region of Savoie.

### Phenology

Bud burst: 4 days after Chasselas.  
Grape maturity: mid-season, 3 weeks and a half after Chasselas.

### Debourrement



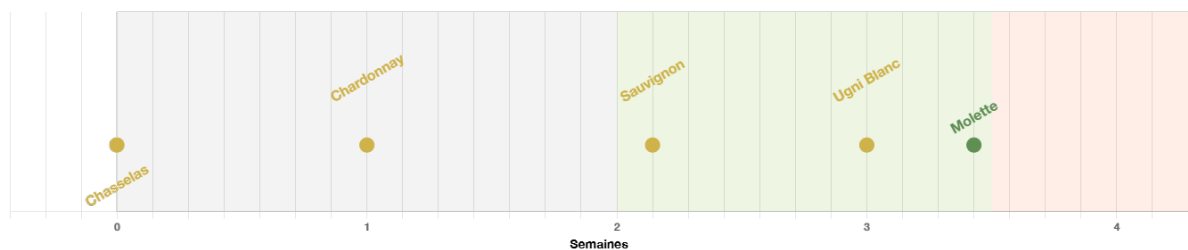
### Technological potential

The bunches are medium in size and the berries are small. Molette produces clear, and acidic, but relatively common and not very aromatic wines, with a fairly high alcohol degree.

### Susceptibility to Diseases and Pests

This variety is susceptible to grey rot and downy mildew.

## Maturité



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