



French national appellation authority (INAO) representative Alexis Sannier told *decanter.com* that a committee had 'validated' in September their 'admissibility as premier cru *climats* and commissioned a group of experts to determine their delimitation'. Official recognition for 2024 'seems realistic', he said.

The request for the four *climats* – Les Mûres in Pouilly-Loché and Les Quarts, Les Longeays, and Les Pétaux in Pouilly-Vinzelles, which account for about one-third of 84 hectares from the two appellations – was filed in 2010, along with 22 **Pouilly-Fuissé** *climats* that were designated premier cru in 2020, representing 194 hectares (24% of Pouilly-Fuissé).

Les Mûres, about 9.5 hectares, has limestone soils. The 14 hectares of Les Quarts have limestone and quartz on an east-facing slope, while about eight hectares of Les Longeays have clay rich soils. Three hectares of Les Pétaux have stony soils (hectare figures courtesy of Jean-Philippe Bret).