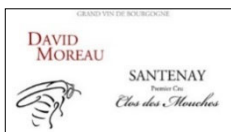


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### Just Arrived from Santenay, Burgundy: David Moreau

David Moreau is a talented young winemaker in Santenay with an impressive resume. During his enology studies he worked at a number of impressive domaines, including Domaine Hubert Lamy, Domaine de la Romanée Conti, and Château de Beaucastel. In 2009 he took over a portion of his grandfather's estate in Santenay, on the condition that he could choose the sites he worked with and could have complete control over the vineyards and winery. He soon began to move towards organic viticulture in his choice 5 ha of vineyards in Santenay and Maranges. We agree with Antonio Galloni, who wrote, "David Moreau makes some of the most beautiful, striking wines in all of Burgundy. What I appreciate most about these wines, especially the reds, is their sense of weightless and transparency, which is ultimately what Pinot Noir and Burgundy is all about." (Vinous, July 2019)



#### **2021 Maranges Aux Gryphées**

**\$53.50 (6/cs)**

"Quality pinot on the nose, as always from this site. Rich and rugged with good depth but a slight tannic finish at the moment. This should all come together with the dark raspberry fruit returning at the back."

**88-89 points, Jasper Morris, Inside Burgundy, October 2022**

#### **2021 Santenay Dalle Nacrée**

**\$59 (6/cs)**

"The 2021 Santenay Village, which includes fruit from the climat of Les Hates, has a light and airy bouquet: pretty dark berry fruit with touches of briary. The palate is medium-bodied with pliant tannins, slightly peppery and nicely focused with quite an elegant and pure finish that gently fans out. Utterly charming."

**89-91 points, Neal Martin, Vinous, January 2023**

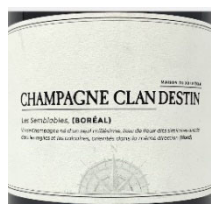
#### **2021 Santenay 1er Cru Beaurepaire**

**\$77 (6/cs)**

"The 2021 Santenay Beaurepaire 1er Cru has a clean and pure bouquet with precise and pure red cherry and strawberry fruit, wilted rose petal and light violet aromas percolating through with time. The palate is medium-bodied with gentle grip, a little foursquare in style. A small amount of chalkiness towards the finish is detailed, though never powerful. It will provide a lot of pleasurable early drinking."

**89-91 points, Neal Martin, Vinous, January 2023**

## Champagne: Champagne Clandestin



Benoit Doussot, the man behind Champagne Clandestin, was the former right-hand man of Bertrand Gautherot at cult Champagne producer Vouette et Sorbée. Doussot makes racy, focused wines from out-of-the-way parcels in Champagne's southern Côte des Bar. He works with organically-farmed Pinot Noir and Chardonnay, and separates his wines by grape variety and aspect. The grapes are harvested by hand at full maturity, and the wines are fermented with natural yeasts and age in oak demi-muid barrels before bottling and aging on lees for 15 months. All of the wines are brut nature, with no added sweetness. The fact that each Champagne here receives the same minimalist treatment allows them to transmit the characteristics of their sites with stunning clarity.

### **NV Les Semblables Boréal Brut Nature Champagne** **\$95.40 (6/cs)**

“Benoît Dussot's NV Brut Nature Les Semblables (Boréal) is derived from north-facing holdings. Wafting from the glass with scents of crisp pear, citrus oil, white flowers and buttery pasty, it's medium to full-bodied, pillowy and chiseled, its fleshy core of fruit girdled by racy acids.”

**92 points, William Kelley, Wine Advocate, August 2023**

### **NV Les Semblables Austral Brut Nature Champagne** **\$101.70 (6/cs)**

“The alter ego of Boréal ...derived from south-facing vineyards...Delivering aromas of pear, crisp stone fruit, clear honey and freshly baked bread, it's medium to full-bodied, broad and pillowy, with a richer, more vinous personality and a long, saline finish.”

**93 points, William Kelley, Wine Advocate, August 2023**

### **NV Les Grandes Lignes Brut Nature Champagne** **\$116.90 (6/cs)**

“From south-facing Kimmeridgian soils planted with Chardonnay comes the NV Brut Nature Les Grandes Lignes, derived in this case entirely from the 2019 vintage. Offering up notes of citrus oil, green apple, white flowers and blanched almonds, it's medium to full-bodied, fleshy and satiny, with racy acids and a long, saline finish.”

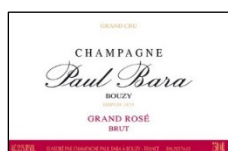
**93 points, William Kelley, Wine Advocate, August 2023**

### **NV Les Revers Brut Nature Champagne** **\$126.80 (6/cs)**

“The most chiseled, electric wine in Dussot's range is the NV Brut Nature Les Revers, derived from north-facing holdings higher up the slope. Unwinding in the glass with scents of crisp Anjou pear, citrus oil, smoke, white flowers and oyster shell, it's medium to full-bodied, dense and incisive, with a tangy spine of acidity and a long, penetratingly saline finish.”

**93+ points, William Kelley, Wine Advocate, August 2023**

## **Paul Bara**



Champagne is in the blood of Chantale Bara and sister Evelyne Dauvergne, whose family has been making wine since 1833 in the Grand Cru village of Bouzy, on the Montagne de Reims. Bouzy's south-facing slopes are famed for their beautifully ripe pinot noir, which Chantale and Evelyne craft into fine, rich, and vinous Champagnes (plus a bit of red wine!) in their deep chalk cellars. In addition to the 9.5 hectares of pinot noir, the family also has

1.5 hectares of chardonnay planted in their grand cru vineyard, which helps add finesse in the family's blends. They also typically block malolactic conversion in their Champagnes, which gives the wines ample tension despite their ripeness. As Champagne expert Peter Liem writes, “Paul Bara's champagnes are classic examples of Bouzy, with a full body and an ample, fruity ripeness thanks to pinot noir grown on the village's warm, south-facing slopes. At the same time they demonstrate an unusual refinement and finesse, and despite the absence of malolactic, these champagnes are rarely aggressive—they tend to feel velvety in their depth of fruit and seamless in their integration of components from beginning to end.” (from Liem's champagneguide.net)

### **NV Grand Rosé Brut** **\$79.50 (6/cs)**

“The NV Brut Grand Rosé is fabulous. Bright and punchy, the Rosé fleshes out beautifully in the mid-palate and into the finish as the Pinot gains volume. The Grand Rosé has enough charm to drink well as an aperitif, but there is serious depth here too. Cranberry, orange peel, dried rose petal and a hint of cinnamon develop over time. The Grand Rosé is simply impeccable from start to finish. More importantly, it is absolutely delicious.”

**92 points, Antonio Galloni, Vinous, November 2020**

## Vouette & Sorbée



Bertrand Gautherot of Vouette & Sorbée is an ultra-committed biodynamic grower in the Aube, the southern satellite of Champagne. He began working with vines in 1986, but didn't release his first wines until 2001. He keeps cows and chickens on his farm to supplement his biodynamic preparations, and the soils in his 5 hectares of vineyards teem with life. The soils here are similar to those in and around Chablis, with a complex mix of Kimmeridgian and Portlandian limestone. The winemaking is very minimalist by the standards of Champagne; he presses very slowly and carefully, and primary fermentations take place with indigenous yeasts in old wood. The highly technical winemaking interventions that are common in Champagne, such as acidity adjustment, chaptalization, and heavy filtering are totally absent here, as Gautherot likes to treat the wines as simply as possible. None of the wines have any dosage added at disgorgement, so everything here is 'brut nature', and a bare minimum of sulphur is added. These Champagnes have tonnes of personality; the minimalist winemaking perfectly complements the ripe, expressive Aube fruit to give wines with lots of intensity, tension, detail, and pure deliciousness. Gautherot's reputation as an icon of biodynamics and minimal-intervention winemaking Champagne is richly deserved.

### **NV Fidèle Blanc de Noir Brut Nature (R19)**

**\$109 (6/cs)**

*100% Pinot Noir grown on Kimmeridgian marl, mostly from the Biaunes and Fonnet vineyards. Mainly 2019 vintage, with 5% solera-aged reserve wine.*

“The amber-colored NV Brut Nature Fidèle is gorgeous. Lifted, precise and nuanced throughout, the Fidèle possesses a captivating aromatic. Medium in body and tense in style, the Fidèle is super-expressive today. It could use another year in bottle to soften a bit, but it is nevertheless striking.”

**94 points, Antonio Galloni, Vinous, July 2017 (for lesser 2014 vintage)**

### **NV Blanc d'Argile Blanc de Blanc Brut Nature (R19)**

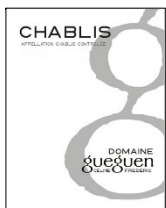
**\$140 (6/cs)**

*100% Chardonnay from the cooler, west-facing Biaunes Vineyard on Kimmeridgian limestone. Based on the 2019 vintage, bottled without dosage.*

“Proving superior Blanc de Blancs is quite possible in the Aube's Pinot Noir paradise, this opens with lemon cream and persistent white chocolate and nougat through the palate. Details of white flowers, peach and almond. Very gourmand and complex, and quite a counterpoint to the more austere Chardonnay Champagnes from further north. 100% Chardonnay. Single parcel. Oak fermented.”

**92 points, Tim Hall, Decanter, January 2022 (for the 2018 vintage)**

## Chablis: Domaine Gueguen



Young, talented Frédéric and Céline Gueguen represent the highly experienced new generation of rising star vigneron in Chablis. Frédéric made wine for 15 years between Domaine Jean Durup and Jean-Marc Brocard, while Céline worked with her father Jean-Marc Brocard for 13 years. Frédéric and Céline serve as Chairs of the Chablis Growers Association and Federation of the Defence of the Appellation of Chablis; their dedication to the wines and uniqueness of the region is inspiring. Fruit from each of their 35 sustainably farmed parcels spread out over 23 hectares, and is sorted and blended based on individual character. Yields are severely limited to increase concentration, and the vines have been cultivated using organic methods for many years. The estate carries out harvesting in small crates for gentle fruit handling, followed by rigorous sorting prior to slow, gentle pressing. The juice is then left to settle for twelve hours prior to being put in vats to start the alcoholic fermentation with indigenous yeasts. Without any wood aging, Gueguen's style of Chablis is precise, pure, and aromatic.

**2022 Chablis****\$36.50 (12/cs)**

“Still in the fruity flush of youth, this white sports peach, ripe apple and citrus flavors, with a telltale flintiness that lends a sense of place. Shows fine balance and stony length. Drink now through 2027.”

**90 points, Bruce Sanderson, Wine Spectator, August 2023**

**2021 Chablis 1<sup>er</sup> Cru Vaillons****\$69.50 (6/cs)**

“This could be from nowhere else but Chablis with its nose of algae, iodine and shrimp shell along with ample citrus and white pepper nuances. There is terrific punch to the relatively refined middleweight flavors that deliver very solid length as well as slightly better depth on the moderately dry finale. Lovely.”

♥ **90-93 points, Allen Meadows, Burghound, October 2022**

**2021 Chablis 1<sup>er</sup> Cru Fourchaume****\$74.90 (6/cs)**

“Cool, very appealing nose with just a hint of ripe fruit, with some apricot character on the palate which is not at all over the top. Freshened by a line of citrus acidity, there is plenty of purity and concentration here, despite the lowly 12.5% alcohol. A fine Fourchaume which will age.”

**93 points, Andy Howard MW, Decanter, October 2022**

## **Domaine Pattes Loup**



Thomas Pico grew up in a traditional winemaking family in the tiny village of Courgis, in the heart of Chablis. He took over some of his family's vines in 2004, and since then wines from Pattes Loup have quickly become some of the most sought after in all of Chablis. Inspired by his love for his vineyards and the

example of the pioneering de Moor family, also based in Courgis, he quickly adopted organic and biodynamic vineyard practices. He is committed to growing healthy, vibrant, ripe fruit, and he gives the wines a long, slow élevage on fine lees in neutral wood, stainless and concrete. These patient, hands-off cellar practices allow the wines to maintain a deep connection to their vineyards, imbuing them with deep minerality. All of his wines are bottled unfined and unfiltered, and made quite naturally with nothing added nor taken away, except for a small touch of sulfur at bottling to stabilize for transport. Antonio Galloni puts it simply: “Thomas Pico is one of the leading growers of his generation.”

**2018 Chablis 1<sup>er</sup> Cru Butteaux Mise Tardive****\$114.75 (6/cs)**

“There will be multiple bottlings of the 2018 Chablis 1er Cru Butteaux Mise Tardive, this year, next year and beyond. Still in tank on the lees, it offers up aromas of pear, waxy citrus fruit and freshly baked bread, followed by a medium to full-bodied, layered and impressively concentrated palate. In any of its various incarnations, it will be worth seeking out.”

**92-95 points, William Kelley, Wine Advocate, August 2021**

## **Côte de Beaune: Domaine Pernot Belicard**



Philippe Pernot worked closely with his father Paul at the legendary Domaine Paul Pernot, one of the most prominent and historic wineries in Puligny-Montrachet. In 2009, he jumped at the opportunity to take over the vines of his wife's family, who had previously leased them or sold off their fruit to other wineries, and Domaine Pernot Belicard was

born. Philippe now works around 6.5 hectares of ideally situated vines, including some very old vines, which give tremendous concentration and complexity. He is a thoughtful and hands-on farmer who cultivates his soils to maintain his old vines in good health, strictly limiting yields. This allows him to pick ripe fruit relatively early, capturing deep and complex flavours that still maintain great energy and modest levels of alcohol. Classic winemaking and modest use of oak complement the fruit and make this an exciting young domaine to discover.

**2021 Bourgogne Aligoté Vieilles Vignes****\$34.50 (12/cs)**

“The main vineyard dates back to 1964, supplemented by a plot purchased in 2020 from 1953. The Aligoté more or less escaped the frost, and has been made in barrel this year. Strict, a little toasty... Quite powerful behind, with plenty of energy in quite a tightly wound format.”

**86-87 points, Jasper Morris, Inside Burgundy, October 2022**

**2021 Bourgogne Blanc Côte d'Or****\$47 (12/cs)**

“The cooler sites were saved as they budded later. Fine pale lemon and lime. Quite a strict bouquet but with quality behind. Lemon drops on top of white fruit. A little oak behind. Not expansive but a sound Bourgogne Blanc with some energy.”

**86-88 points, Jasper Morris, Inside Burgundy, October 2022**

**2021 Puligny-Montrachet****\$125 (6/cs)**

“Most plots are in the middle with one at each end, Les Houlières and La Corvée des Vignes. Philippe plans to separate out Petites Nosroyes from 2022. Pale colour with a stylish nose, quite typical of the appellation in its precision. This kicks on rather more at the back, compared to the Meursault and finishes very well. Very little loss here which helps the quality.”

**89-91 points, Jasper Morris, Inside Burgundy, October 2022**

## **Emmanuel Giboulot**



Emmanuel Giboulot is a true pioneer of organic farming in Burgundy, and a champion of some wonderful but little-known Burgundy appellations. In 1985, long before organic viticulture was mainstream, he purchased his own small plot of vines and immediately converted them to organic practices. At the time it was difficult for him to lease or purchase vineyards as locals were suspicious of the non-chemical farming he practiced, but he slowly grew the domaine to cover 12 hectares. Among his most prized vineyards are those in the tiny (and confusingly named!) Côte de Beaune appellation; distinct from the generic Côte de Beaune-Villages appellation, it covers just 33 hectares of vines on the slopes above Beaune. The winemaking is patient and traditional, with slow natural fermentations, patient aging, and no new oak for whites or reds. These wines are vibrant and oozing with character and offer quality on par with much more famous and expensive appellations.

**2020 Côte de Beaune La Grande Châtelaine Blanc****\$75 (6/cs)**

La Grande Châtelaine is one of the lieux-dits of the small Côte de Beaune appellation on the slopes of the Montagne de Beaune. This is a stony, sloping terroir with thin clay topsoil over limestone, which grows fascinatingly taut, expressive Chardonnay. It fermented naturally without additions and aged for a year in used oak before bottling with a minimal dose of sulphur. Expect aromas of zesty citrus, green melon, almond and smoke, and a salty, taut, gently creamy palate. Lovers of Puligny-Montrachet should give this a try!

**2020 Côte de Beaune Combe d'Eve Blanc****\$93 (6/cs)**

From a small plot within the Côte de Beaune lieu-dit of Les Pierres Blanches, above Beaune 1<sup>er</sup> Cru Les Bressandes. Giboulot has bottled this small parcel separately, noticing that the deeper clay soils in this part of the vineyard produced an exceptional wine. An aged bottle of Combe d'Eve was the first bottle of Giboulot's wine that we tasted, and its complexity and deliciousness led us to his door. Fermented naturally and aged in used oak barrels, this is wonderfully expressive with aromas of crisp stone fruit, toasted hazelnut, wet limestone, and citrus. It has wonderful tension on the palate, with bright acidity balanced by creamy richness.



**2021 Hautes-Côtes de Nuits En Gregoire Rouge, 375ml****\$36 (12/cs)****2018 Hautes-Côtes de Nuits En Gregoire Rouge****\$73 (6/cs)**

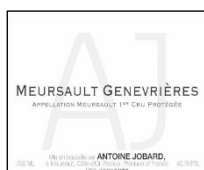
Giboulot has been biodynamically farming this plot of Pinot Noir vines above Nuits-Saint-Georges for almost 4 decades. The grapes were destemmed, fermented in open-top wooden tanks, and aged 18 months in used oak barrels. The wine shows spicy dark red fruit, blood orange, and a touch of earthy truffle with a few years in bottle. It has a juicy and refreshing palate with a solid structure of acid and tannin beneath the fruit.

**Chavy-Chouet**

Romarc Chavy is the young, driven seventh generation winemaker in charge of Domaine Chavy-Chouet. Thanks to a marriage a few generations ago between a Chavy from Meursault and a Chouet from Puligny-Montrachet, this 15-hectare domaine has phenomenal vineyard holdings in both of these prime villages. After gaining experience making wine overseas, Romarc took over his family's estate from his father at just 22. While Romarc hit the ground running, making excellent wines from the beginning with some advice from his father, in recent years he has developed a truly special touch in the vineyards and cellar, and the wines just keep getting better. He takes a minimal intervention approach in the cellar: a slow pressing with overnight settling of the juice and natural fermentation, before 12 months of aging in barrels (25-30% new) with no stirring of the lees, and further aging in tank. Young and fresh, the wines show an invigorating mineral intensity, adding layers of generous texture and fruit with time in bottle. In our view, Romarc has placed Chavy-Chouet among the elite of white Burgundy domaines, and judging by the outstanding reviews and attention these wines are getting in the wine press, others seem to agree!

**2021 Volnay 1<sup>er</sup> Cru Carelle Sous la Chapelle****\$169.45 (6/cs)**

Just one and a half barrels of this were made in 2021. Made with 100% whole clusters in this vintage, this is very Volnay, with pretty, lacy red fruit and floral aromas and a notable touch of stony minerality. Smells like perfectly ripe raspberry and strawberry, with a touch of spice.

**Domaine Antoine Jobard**

Based in Meursault, a village bursting with talented winemakers, Antoine Jobard stands out. As a fifth generation winemaker, and son of famed Francois Jobard, Antoine has had sole control since 2007. Early in his tenure, Antoine was quickly regarded as one of Meursault's most skilled producers. His wines beam with energy, finesse, and complexity. His nearly 5 hectares of vineyards are spread over most of Meursault's best Premier Crus including Genevrières, Charmes, Poruzots and Blagny. Antoine is also gifted with top village-level Meursault vineyards, as well as Premier Cru sites in Saint Aubin and Puligny-Montrachet. With ideally situated, organically-farmed parcels, no batonnage, and long lees aging, Antoine's wines show exquisite mineral driven balance. The resulting wines accentuate their vineyards perfectly. In 2019, Antoine took over a small domaine with vineyards in Pommard, Volnay, and Beaune, and the first reds he has released have wonderful energy and depth of fruit.

**2020 Beaune 1<sup>er</sup> Cru Montrevenots****\$109 (6/cs)**

"The 2020 Beaune 1er Cru Montrevenots was cropped at a meager 16 hectoliters per hectare, but the results are brilliant. Bursting with aromas of dark berries, sweet soil tones, smoke and spices, it's medium to full-bodied, layered and concentrated, with ripe tannins, lively acids and a long, expansive finish."

**92+ points, William Kelley, Wine Advocate, January 2023**

## 2020 Pommard 1<sup>er</sup> Cru Epenots

**\$184 (6/cs)**

“Wafting from the glass with aromas of wild berries, violets, sweet spices, loamy soil and roses, the 2020 Pommard 1<sup>er</sup> Cru Epenots is medium to full-bodied, layered and multidimensional, with a concentrated core of fruit that's framed by rich, powdery tannins and lively acids. Antoine Jobard appears to be as adept a red winemaker as he is with Chardonnay, for this is a terrific success.”

**93+ points, William Kelley, Wine Advocate, January 2023**

## Domaine Pavelot



The Pavelot family have deep roots in Savigny-lès-Beaune, having grown vines there for over two centuries. The young and extremely talented Hugues Pavelot is now running the domaine and maintaining – perhaps even exceeding – the high quality standards set by his father Jean-Marc. As Neal Martin, the Burgundy reviewer for *Vinous* recently wrote, “I have said it before, and I say it again: Pavelot is probably making the best wines in Savigny-lès-Beaune at the moment.” They have an impressive collection of vineyards in Savigny and neighbouring villages, and Hugues also makes a small amount of wine with fruit from trusted growers in appellations where they don’t own vines under his own name. These wines have beautifully pure, site-expressive fruit, layers of earthy and stony complexity, and an elegant structure for aging.

## 2019 Savigny-lès-Beaune 1<sup>er</sup> Cru Aux Guettes

**\$76 (6/cs)**

“Here too there is a mentholated top note present on the more sauvage and forest floor nuanced aromas of red and dark currant. I very much like the sense of underlying tension suffusing the even more mineral-driven middle weight flavors that coat the palate with dry extract that buffers the very firm tannic spine shaping the beautifully long finale.” ♥ **91-93 points, Allen Meadows, Burghound, April 2021**

## 2019 Savigny-lès-Beaune 1<sup>er</sup> Cru Aux Gravains

**\$82 (6/cs)**

“Notes of oak toast and menthol surround the moderately high-toned aromas of red and dark cherry, plum and warm earth. There is terrific intensity to the vibrant, intense and well-detailed medium weight flavors that also brim with minerality on the even more compact, austere and firmly constituted finale. The quality is excellent...” ♥ **91-93 points, Allen Meadows, Burghound, April 2021**

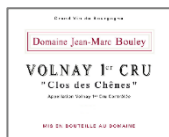
## 2019 Savigny-lès-Beaune 1<sup>er</sup> Cru La Dominode

**\$87 (6/cs)**

“A perfumed, ripe and cool nose features notes of red currant, black raspberry, violet and a hint of sandalwood. There is very fine mid-palate density with an abundance of sappy dry extract to the velvety and mouth coating flavors that flash good minerality on the powerful, balanced and hugely long finish. This is marvelous...”

♥ **92-94 points, Allen Meadows, Burghound, April 2021**

## Jean-Marc & Thomas Bouley



The highly knowledgeable and driven Thomas Bouley joined his father Jean-Marc in 2002, assuming responsibility for both vineyards and winemaking in 2012. Principal changes have been in the vineyards, where no chemical additions have been used for 14 years, resulting in vibrant, healthy soils. The three main winemaking changes that have reinforced quality are the use of more whole bunches to bring freshness, minimizing racking, and a huge reduction of sulphur. This steady, determined commitment to quality has clearly paid off. According to William Kelley of the *Wine Advocate*, Bouley’s domaine “ranks as one of contemporary Burgundy's most exciting... considering the elite quality of the viticulture and winemaking at this address, to say nothing of an enviable palette of appellations, **these wines are some of the most underpriced in Burgundy today.**” (*Wine Advocate*, January 2022)

**2021 Bourgogne Côte d'Or Rouge****\$63 (6/cs)**

“Aromas of sweet plums, berries and spices introduce Bouley's 2021 Bourgogne Côte d'Or Rouge, a medium to full-bodied, ample and fleshy wine with supple, melting tannins and lively acids. It's already showing well.”

**88 points, William Kelley, Wine Advocate, January 2024**

**2021 Hautes-Côtes de Beaune Vibrations (In Lab)****\$86.50 (6/cs)**

“Bouley has reimagined the name and label for his 2021 Hautes-Côtes de Beaune Vibrations to reflect the character of this site nestled at the border of the plateau above Volnay, surrounded by trees and dry stone walls. Unfurling in the glass with notes of wild berries and plums mingled with smoke, spices and petals, it's medium to full-bodied, pure and incisive, with a bright core of fruit, tangy acids and a long, saline finish. It will be even better with a year or two in the cellar.”

**89 points, William Kelley, Wine Advocate, January 2024**

**2020 Volnay****\$122 (6/cs)**

“Unfurling in the glass with aromas of sweet wild berries, plums, raw cocoa and sweet spices, Bouley's 2020 Volnay Village is medium to full-bodied, supple and seamless, with an ample core of rich but vibrant fruit and a harmonious, complete profile, concluding with a saline finish. As usual, this cuvée unites the rich, clay soils of lieux-dits Poisots, Famines and Cros Martin with the thinner, whiter soils of Ez Blanches above the Clos de Chênes, delivering a complementary blend.”

**91 points, William Kelley, Wine Advocate, January 2023**

**2021 Volnay****\$122 (6/cs)**

“Aromas of cherries, sweet red plums, raw cocoa and spices introduce the 2021 Volnay Village, a medium-bodied, supple and fleshy wine that's suave and seamless, concluding with a saline finish. As readers may remember, this cuvée unites the rich, clay soils of lieux-dits Poisots, Famines and Cros Martin—which bring fat and flesh—with the thinner, whiter soils of Ez Blanches above the Clos de Chênes—that lend the wine its tension and relief.” **90 points, William Kelley, Wine Advocate, January 2024**

## **Côte de Nuits: Anne & Sébastien Bidault**



This is an exciting source of deliciously traditional red Burgundy that we are delighted to introduce to Ontario. We offered these wines to an overwhelming response last year under the Ribert Gibourg label, but Anne & Sébastien have now fully taken ownership of Anne's family domaine, and the wines are released under their own name. Their wines

were a revelation when we tasted them in their modest cellars in Morey-Saint-Denis; we couldn't believe more people weren't talking about these wines! Robert Gibourg founded the domaine in 1965, with a few tiny plots of old vines he inherited in the Côte de Nuits. Over the ensuing decades, he kept an eye out for excellent parcels of vines as they became available, and gradually the domaine grew, with parcels in Morey-Saint-Denis, Chambolle-Musigny, and Gevrey-Chambertin. The domaine is now run by their daughter Anne and son-in-law Sébastien Bidault, whose sensitive traditional winemaking is pushing the quality here even higher. The handpicked grapes are mostly destemmed, with long, gentle natural fermentations, very limited use of new oak, and relatively long, patient aging in barrel before bottling without fining or filtration. While Anne and Sébastien are modest and softspoken, their incredibly nuanced and expressive wines speak for themselves.

**2020 Morey-Saint-Denis****\$83 (6/cs)**

“Musky, earthy, a wine perfumed with violets and truffle and damp forest mushrooms. Dry yet sappy, tasting of raw damsons and dried hibiscus petals, tomato vine and smoked paprika. Lean, not skinny; agile; a slender muscularity to the tannins. There is an understated serene elegance here. Beautifully balanced.”

**16.5 points, Tamlyn Currin, JancisRobinson.com, August 2020** (for the similar 2018 vintage)



## Marchand-Tawse & Domaine Tawse



With its remarkable range of Grand Cru and Premier Cru vineyards, Domaine Tawse makes profoundly delicious wines that faithfully express their fine terroirs from estate fruit.. Pascal Marchand and Moray Tawse initially set up their negociant business in 2011, and the Domaine Tawse began soon after with the purchase of Domaine Maume, a small artisan winery in Gevrey-Chambertin that made great traditional Burgundy from old vines. Marchand and Tawse gradually took ownership of most of Maume's vines, which form the core of Domaine Tawse's offerings, and have since added other choice parcels. Marchand and winemaker Mark Fincham have converted the vines to organic farming and plough using horses to maintain the health of the vineyards. They take a delicate approach in the cellar, with gentle fermentations and extended aging in modest proportions of new oak. Organic farming, old vines, and gentle cellar techniques give these wines deep, vibrant fruit, stunning freshness, and ample complexity.

### **2018 Vosne-Romanée 1<sup>er</sup> Cru Les Suchots**

**\$232 (6/cs)**

“... the only cru that is 100% whole bunch this year. It comes from a massal selection that produces small berries in loose bunches. It has a floral, pressed-iris- and incense-driven bouquet; hints of truffle come through with aeration. The palate is very well balanced with supple tannins, fine acidity and layers of pure red fruit laced with truffle and light spicy notes. This feels reassuringly long. A very fine Les Suchots that will give 20 years of drinking pleasure.”

**92-94 points, Neal Martin, Vinous, January 2020**

## Domaine Trapet



Over the last decade Domaine Trapet has entered the absolute top echelon of Gevrey-Chambertin producers, and now ranks among the very best and most exciting producers of red Burgundy from any village. Sixth-generation winemaker Jean-Louis Trapet and his sons have reached this level through thoughtful biodynamic farming of extraordinary sites, classic, patient winemaking, and an astonishing family commitment to quality. In addition to their vines in the Chambertin, Latricières-Chambertin, and Chapelle-Chambertin Grands Crus, the family farms several top Gevrey 1er Crus, village Gevrey, and Marsannay, for a total of 18 hectares. It is easy to spot the Trapet vineyards, as most have been converted to échelas training - essentially bush vines tied to a stake - to help buffer the effects of climate change. Yields in their biodynamic, densely-planted vineyards are naturally quite low, concentrating the flavour in the berries. In the cellar, carefully selected proportions of whole clusters and judicious use of oak make these wines particularly refined.

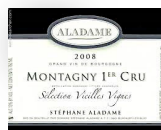
### **2020 Gevrey-Chambertin Ostrea**

**\$157 (6/cs)**

“A unique wine, with darker blackberry fruit, hints of spice on the nose and a firm, grippy texture that would repay mid-term cellaring - a standout in the regional appellation in this vintage. Ostrea is produced from a patch of old vines in Gevrey near the border with Brochon. The parcel was originally planted in 1919 and averages 90 years of age with vine replacements. This is an exceptional Gevrey village. 'Ostrea' refers to the generous inclusions of fossilised oyster shells in the clay and limestone soils.”

**94 points, Charles Curtis MW, Decanter, November 2021**

## Côte Chalonnaise: Stéphane Aladame



Stéphane Aladame is a Montagny native who has always had a passion for the terroir and best wines of his home village. In 1992, fresh from winemaking school in Beaune and at the tender age of 18, he set up his domaine with a mere 3 hectares of vineyards. Stéphane has since built up his holdings to nearly 8 hectares, almost all of which are 1er Cru. He has developed a reputation as the very best producer in the Montagny, whose production was long dominated by a large co-op, but is now attracting the attention of great producers from elsewhere in the Côte Chalonnaise and Côte de Beaune. While not certified, since the early 2000s the farming on his limestone-rich, shallow-soiled terroirs has been effectively organic. In the cellar he presses the Chardonnay grapes whole-bunch, allows the juice to ferment with indigenous yeasts, and ages the wines for around 10 months in a mix of tank and barrel. The wines are bottled with a very modest dose of sulfur, and show a very pure chalky minerality and bright, ripe fruit.

### **2021 Montagny 1<sup>er</sup> Cru Les Vignes Derrières**

**\$59.50 (6/cs)**

“Fresh and more obviously floral influenced aromas offer up notes of cool just sliced apple, anise and pear along with citrus hints. There is again good richness and volume to the succulent and sappy middleweight flavors that also conclude in a bitter lemon-inflected finish where the only nit is a hint of warmth.”

**89 points, Allen Meadows, Burghound, August 2023**

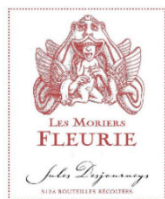
### **2021 Montagny 1<sup>er</sup> Cru Les Coères**

**\$64.85 (6/cs)**

“From a mix of 70- and 25-year-old vines with a significant proportion of chardonnay muscaté that saw 100% wood but no new oak. There is a whiff of the exotic suffusing the cool and layered aromas of orange peel, essence of apple and pretty floral and spice wisps. There is good if not special density to the nicely vibrant medium weight flavors that possess evident power on the attractively dry, youthfully austere and sneaky long finale. While this should also be approachable young, 2 to 3 years of cellaring should help to add depth.”

**91 points, Allen Meadows, Burghound, August 2023**

## Beaujolais & Mâconnais: Jules Desjournays



Fabien Duperray, the mind behind the Jules Desjournays wines, is a relative newcomer to Beaujolais and Mâcon. He came from Burgundy, where he worked as a successful merchant of some of the top domaines for many years. Having worked with the likes of DRC and Coche-Dury, his move to Beaujolais is a purely passion-driven project. Having tasted the best, he wanted to be a winegrower. His estate in Beaujolais is nearly 7 hectares, with no vines under 65 years old and the oldest parcels well over 100 years old. Although he is certified organic, Fabien actually practices biodynamic viticulture, obsessing about every detail in the vineyards with unbelievable precision, with everything done by hand. In the nearby Mâconnais, he works with a stunning range of chardonnay vineyards in and around Pouilly-Fuissé. These wines are not to be missed!

### **Mâcon Whites**

#### **2018 Mâcon-Prissé En Chailloux**

**\$42.75 (12/cs)**

“... offers up aromas of clear honey, fresh pear, blanched almonds and citrus zest. Medium to full-bodied, ample and fleshy, it's bright and precise, its lively spine of acidity cloaked in crisp but fleshy fruit.”

**91 points, William Kelley, Wine Advocate, August 2021**

#### **2018 Mâcon-Verzé**

**\$42.95 (12/cs)**

“From holdings at the top of the slope, exposed to the west, the 2018 Mâcon-Verzé unwinds in the glass with notes of pear, confit lemon, white flowers, warm bread and clear honey. Medium to full-bodied, satiny and enveloping, it's fleshy and elegant, with a seamlessly layered mid-palate, bright acids and a saline finish.”

**92 points, William Kelley, Wine Advocate, August 2021**

**2018 Pouilly-Loché****\$74.95 (6/cs)**

“Aromas of crisp orchard fruit, white flowers, orange oil and fresh bread preface the 2018 Pouilly-Loché, a medium to full-bodied, layered and multidimensional wine that's bright and concentrated, with lively acids and a long, saline finish. This has turned out brilliantly.”

**93 points, William Kelley, Wine Advocate, August 2021**

**2018 Saint-Véran****\$82.75 (6/cs)**

“The 2018 Saint-Véran is excellent, unwinding in the glass with notes of crisp green orchard fruit, freshly baked bread and white flowers, mingled with hints of praline, crushed chalk and iodine. Medium to full-bodied, layered and precise, it's elegant and understated, with a seamless, harmonious profile. Crisp but concentrated, it's another rare 2018 that can go head to head with its 2017 counterpart.”

**93+ points, William Kelley, Wine Advocate, August 2021**

**2018 Pouilly-Fuissé****\$92.95 (6/cs)**

“As usual, Duperray's 2018 Pouilly-Fuissé derives from schist soils, and it is showing beautifully, unfurling in the glass with scents of pear, melon, white currants, fresh bread and praline. Medium to full-bodied, layered and textural, it's bright and chalky, with an elegant patina from its élevage and a precise finish, it will offer a broad drinking window.”

**94 points, William Kelley, Wine Advocate, August 2021**

**2018 Pouilly-Fuissé Vignes de la Côte****\$109.70 (6/cs)**

“The 2018 Pouilly-Fuissé Vignes de la Côte is brilliant, bursting from the glass with notes of crisp orchard fruit, white flowers, crushed chalk and praline. Full-bodied, layered and multidimensional, it's deep and concentrated, with a layered core of concentrated fruit, racy acids and along, mineral finish. Intense and penetrating, it can go head to head with Duperray's "big three" this year.”

**95+ points, William Kelley, Wine Advocate, August 2021**

**2018 Pouilly-Fuissé Les Ménétrières (1500ml)****\$372**

“The 2018 Pouilly-Fuissé Ménétrières is the most muscular wine in the range, unwinding in the glass with aromas of Anjou pear, crisp green apple, citrus zest, hazelnuts and almonds. Full-bodied, fleshy and broad-shouldered, with a taut core of concentrated fruit that's girdled by lively acids and chalky dry extract, it concludes with a long, saline finish.”

**95 points, William Kelley, Wine Advocate, August 2021**

**Aged Cru Beaujolais Reds**

These Cru Beaujolais wines are released late, when they have softened, developed significant complexity, and are ready to drink. These wines are available in very limited quantities.

**2012 Chénas Le Jugement Dernier****\$92.10 (6/cs)**

“Bright violet. Powerful, deeply perfumed dark berry, cherry liqueur and licorice pastille aromas, along with hints of cola and smoky black cardamom. Sweet and broad on the palate, offering densely packed dark fruit, floral pastille and succulent herb flavors that pick up a peppery nuance as the wine opens up.”

**92 points, Josh Raynolds, Vinous, December 2017 (for the 2015 vintage)**

**2012 Fleurie La Chapelle des Bois****\$130.50 (6/cs)**

“Bright purple. A highly perfumed bouquet evokes fresh dark berries, cherry cola, Indian spices in smoky minerals, accompanied by an intense floral topnote. Deep-pitched, supple and expansive, offering sweet, smoke – accented black raspberry and blueberry flavour plus a hint of star anise. Expands quickly on a very long, juicy finish that's firmed by youthful but harmonious tannins.”

**92 points, Josh Raynolds, Vinous, July 2016 (for the 2011 vintage)**

**2012 Fleurie Les Moriers****\$130.50 (6/cs)**

“This is also attractively perfumed yet even more complex with its spicy, floral and earthy black currant liqueur suffused nose. There is seriously impressive concentration to the powerful yet velvety medium weight plus flavors that brim with dry extract that largely, if not completely, buffers the very firm tannic spine on the explosively long finish. Fleurie does not get a lot better than this.”

♥ 91-94 points, Allen Meadows, October 2014 (for the 2011 vintage)

**2012 Moulin-à-Vent****\$111.70 (6/cs)**

“This has very refined bouquet with warm scents of dark cherries, boysenberry and creme de cassis that is well-defined and shows more elegance than the two Fleuries. The palate is very well-structured with fine tannins that are cloaked in a silky-smooth texture. Well-balanced, fresh and vibrant with superb tension on the finish, this is very seductive.”

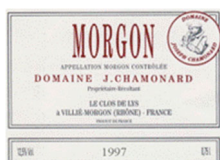
92 points, Neal Martin, Wine Advocate, June 2014 (for the 2011 vintage)

**2012 Moulin-à-Vent Les Michelons****\$128.20 (6/cs)**

“Dark ruby. A highly perfumed bouquet evokes ripe red and blue fruits, peppery spices and smoky minerals, complemented by a sexy floral pastille note in the background. Supple and broad, offering gently sweet, smoke-tinged black raspberry and boysenberry flavours plus an exotic hint of five spice powder. Expands nicely on a very long, gently tannic finish that echoes the blue fruit and floral notes.”

92 points, Josh Raynolds, Vinous, July 2016 (for the 2011 vintage)

## **Domaine J. Chamonard**



When Joseph Chamonard passed away in 1990, his small, ideally-located domaine in the Morgon cru passed to his daughter Geneviève and son-in-law Jean-Claude Chanudet. This was an important time in the development of top-quality Beaujolais, and Chanudet was a close friend and collaborator of Marcel Lapierre and others who launched the ‘natural wine’ movement in France. Accordingly, Jean-Claude and Geneviève have always farmed their 5.5

hectares of vineyards in Morgon and Fleurie along strictly organic lines (Chanudet is rather feisty and allergic to dogma however, so he has not sought organic certification and now eschews the ‘natural wines’ label as well). The winemaking is resolutely traditional, with spontaneous semi-carbonic fermentations, long cuvaisons, and minimal use of sulphur. The domaine proudly continues Joseph Chamonard’s tradition of releasing their wines only when they are ready, in contrast to most producers in the region who ship their wines as soon as possible, and even offers carefully stored back vintages from time to time. After several years of training under her parents and at other top estates, talented daughter Jeanne is now in charge here, so expect to see a new cuvée or two in the coming years, though Jean-Claude won’t be giving up his tractor duties any time soon!

**2019 Morgon Le Clos de Lys****\$44 (12/cs)**

“The 2019 Morgon Le Clos de Lys mingles aromas of sweet spices and red berries with hints of peonies and blood orange. Medium to full-bodied, fleshy and lively, it's perfumed and sapid, with melting tannins and a long, penetrating finish. Deep and layered, it's a seamless, elegant wine that's well worth seeking out.”

94 points, William Kelley, Wine Advocate, August 2021

**2021 Fleurie La Madone****\$48 (12/cs)**

“Another brilliant wine from this estate...bursts with aromas of red cherries, raspberries, rose petals and orange rind. Medium to full-bodied, ample and vibrant, it's an elegant, ethereal, fine-boned wine that concludes with a long, perfumed finish.”

94 points, William Kelley, Wine Advocate, August 2022 (for the 2020 vintage)

## Domaine le Fagolet



This small family domaine is located in the northern Beaujolais-Villages, just south of the famous Beaujolais Crus. Paul and Valérie Girard represent the artisan past of this choice sector of Beaujolais, before industrial winemaking became commonplace in the region. Minimal-intervention farming of steep parcels on granite soils, hand harvesting, and traditional winemaking methods produce, honest, authentic, and deeply delicious expressions of Gamay. Over the years the domaine has acquired parcels in the Beaujolais Crus (Morgon, Brouilly, Côte de Brouilly), but the heart of the domaine and most of its production is in Beaujolais-Villages, producing wonderfully pure, floral, juicy, and red-fruited wines.

### **2022 Beaujolais-Villages Granit Rouge**

**\$24.50 (12/cs)**

“Clean and very attractive off the top, fruity but not overtly candied, much more on the fresh side of the red berry spectrum, as one expects and hopes for in quality Beaujolais. The palate is vibrant and silky, really nicely balanced, with very fine tannins and crunchy acids. Very solid length and depth, too. A wine to chill lightly and drink over the next year or two.”

**90 points, John Szabo MS, Wine Align, July 2023**

## Loire Valley: François Chidaine



François Chidaine is widely regarded as one of the world’s greatest producers of Chenin Blanc, and he is also one of the Loire Valley’s pioneers in organic and biodynamic viticulture. He farms many of the finest vineyards in Montlouis and Vouvray using principles of polyculture and no-till farming, as he believes this maintains the complex microbial life of the soil and allows his vines to best express the nuances of his different terroirs. All of the grapes are hand-harvested, and his wines ferment naturally and age in a mixture of tanks and large demi-muids. In addition to chenin blanc, Chidaine also farms other traditional Touraine varieties nearby with the same attention to detail. The red, white, and rosé wines from these Touraine vineyards offer extraordinary value and come highly recommended. François’ talented and experienced daughter Alice Chidaine recently returned to the family domaine after stints with Clos Rougeard, Daguenau, and Alheit, so there are surely even more exciting things to come!

### **2021 Les Argiles VdF (Vouvray)**

**\$54 (6/cs)**

*This is sourced from clay-limestone parcels in Vouvray, fermented dry, and aged in 600 litre casks.*

“It’s a supple style from a clay-rich parcel with a deep straw hue. It offers up succulent, smooth texture and ripe, generous, fragrant fruit. Acid and phenolics create its frame, holding it all in place and providing shape and structure. This is already drinking well.”

**90 points, Rebecca Gibb MW, Vinous, October 2023**

### **2021 Montlouis Les Bournais**

**\$65 (6/cs)**

*From a single outstanding, very chalky vineyard in Montlouis sloping gently northwest, fermented dry and aged in 600 litre casks.*

“The 2021 Les Bournais is unsurprisingly tighter than in previous vintages due to the cooler season compared with 2018, 2019, and 2020. It remains fragrant, exuding ripe peach, mango, and mandarin segments. What’s most evident about this wine is its huge linearity: there’s a tight corset around this wine, ensuring it pierces your palate like a well-made paper airplane. A delightful chalky texture backs it up, leaving you licking your lips on the scented finish.”

**93 points, Rebecca Gibb MW, Vinous, October 2023**



## Michel Redde et Fils



The Redde family have been growing and making wine in Pouilly-sur-Loire since 1630, with each successive generation pushing the boundaries of what this appellation and the sauvignon blanc grape can produce. The estate employs biodynamic practices and is in the process of pursuing organic certification. Their artisanal Sauvignon Blancs are fermented and aged in mix of large demi-muid and foudre barrels and stainless tanks, with long aging on lees. The family has focused on single vineyard bottlings, starting in 1973 with Marjoram, and most recently the 11<sup>th</sup> generation launched Barre à Mine, meaning crowbar, the main tool used to painstakingly clear the brush from a very silex-heavy parcel acquired in 2009. Across the range, the wines show incredible density and poise, with crystalline fruit, beautiful balance, and rich minerality.

### **2020 Pouilly-Fumé Les Bois de Saint-Andelain (1 lab case) \$70.85 (6/cs)**

“A ripe and generous style of Pouilly-Fumé, the 2020 Les Bois de Saint-Andelain comes off flint parcels in the village of St-Andelain which is also home to the Dagueneaus. Despite its 15% alcohol, giving an almost sweet texture to its core, the flint lends a precision and length with a sinew-like texture drawing this wine out. Expect preserved lemons, ripe melon and a subtle element of savoriness from the maturation in barrels over 10-12 months. A light green note of Sauvignon waves in the distance like Where's Wally reminding you of the appellation's variety.”

**92 points, Rebecca Gibb MW, Vinous, August 2022**

### **2021 Pouilly-Fumé Barre à Mine \$91.90 (6/cs)**

“Produced from a flint site that needed to be blown up to make the terroir and made from relatively young vines, this is initially a tender and supple style with a whiff of gunsmoke/flint, a taut line of precision that runs through its core, a mere hint of green herbs reminding you that Pouilly is a Sauvignon producer and even a hint of white pepper. It's a powerful style that has an attractive sense of bitterness holding it together. At just 13%, this is wonderfully balanced, aromatic and driven in this vintage. You might even feel this sense of spice that warms the palate, almost like you've had a warming Indian curry – it's not the alcohol but something else – maybe it's the flint. Unique and intriguing.”

**93 points, Rebecca Gibb MW, Vinous, August 2022 (for the 2020 vintage)**

## Domaine de la Chevalerie



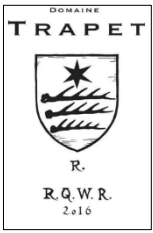
The Caslot family make stunning Cabernet Franc in the Loire Valley's Bourgueil appellation, one of the world's finest places to grow this characterful, terroir-expressive grape. The family has been making wine in this corner of France for around 14 generations, and in the early 2000s Pierre Caslot's children began to work in the winery, and the family soon converted their ideally situated vines to organic and biodynamic methods. Siblings Laurie and Emmanuel Caslot now run the winery together, after the untimely passing of Pierre and their sister Stéphanie. They make wonderfully traditional wines in their astonishing (and enormous!) 11<sup>th</sup> century chalk cellars; natural fermentations, patient aging in used oak barrels, and long aging in bottle before release are the norm here. Charming blackcurrant fruit, dried flowers, fresh herbs, and spice burst out of the glass in Chevalerie's wines.

### **2017 Bourgueil Bretèche \$37.60 (12/cs)**

“The 2015 Bretèche offers layers of aromatic intrigue from smoked meat, florals to herbal notes. Low yields are reflected in the density of fruit. It is a broody, sapid and structured Bourgueil hailing from clay-limestone slopes and will benefit from further time in bottle thanks to its abundant tannins and acid-derived line of tension.”

**92 points, Rebecca Gibb MW, Vinous, October 2021 (for the similar 2015 vintage)**

## Alsace: Domaine Trapet Alsace



Jean-Louis and Andrée Trapet are best known for their exquisite Grand Cru Burgundies, but they take bring the same attention to detail and commitment to biodynamic farming to their small domaine in Alsace. Andrée grew up in a family of winemakers in Riquewihr, in the heart of Alsace, and she now farms her family's vines there along with her husband and two sons. They carefully farm most of the well-known classic Alsatian grape varieties here, including riesling, gewürztraminer, pinot gris, and pinot noir, as well as the lesser-known pinot auxerrois. In addition to the profound wines from their four top Grands Crus – Schoenenbourg, Schlossberg, Sonnenglanz, and Sporen – they make exceptional 'village' wines that highlight the excellent terroirs of Riquewihr and Beblenheim. The winemaking leans toward the drier side of Alsace, and features natural fermentations and long aging on lees in well-used barrels of various sizes and concrete eggs.

### **2021 BBHM Riesling**

**\$38.70 (12/cs)**

"The 2021 Trapet R. B.B.H.M. is the Riesling Village wine from Beblenheim, focusing on Jurassic limestone. Made in concrete egg, there is a lovely reduction on the nose. Snappy and greenish, bright and lemony, the palate is rich and harmonious with a streak of ripe Amalfi lemon. Beblenheim is open to the warm foehn winds, hence this riper citrus spectrum. (Dry)"

**90 points, Anne Krebiehl MW, Vinous, April 2023**

### **2016 Schoenenbourg Grand Cru Riesling**

**\$105.40 (6/cs)**

"This is a vivid and floral riesling with honey blossom, lemon rind and some lime aromas and flavors. Medium to full body. Dry and waxy with delicious ripeness and fruit. From biodynamically grown grapes. Drink or hold."

**94 points, James Suckling, JamesSuckling.com, July 2019**

## Northern Rhône: Bernard Levet



Founded four generations ago in 1936, Bernard Levet and his wife Nicole took over her father's life's work by expanding the vineyard holdings and cellar capacity to enable domaine bottling of their Côte-Rôtie. The winery is now run by their daughter Agnès Levet. The family owns just 4.5 ha of meticulously farmed vineyards in excellent locations, including old vines in La Landonne, and a tiny new plot in Condrieu. Lovers of pure, floral, and perfumed syrah take note! If you

know, enjoy, or are simply interested in producers such as Gentaz-Dervieux, Raymond Trollat, and J.L. Chave, you will love the traditional, unadulterated wines of Bernard Levet.

### **2021 Condrieu**

**\$96.50 (6/cs)**

*From a tiny 0.3 ha plot of Viognier planted on granite. The wine fermented in stainless, with malolactation conversion partially completed, and aged in barrel for 10-12 months. At just 13% alcohol, this is a wonderfully fresh expression of Condrieu.*

"Full yellow colour; has a flan-brioche bread aroma, a ready openness, tropical fruits such as mango with apricot juice on the bouquet. The palate holds enjoyable, well centred gras, is grapey and thorough, the second half well lined, the style coated. It has variety to come, can interest, especially around 2025. "It's well perfumed," Agnès Levet."

**\*\*\*(\*), Jonathan Livingstone-Learmonth, Rhône Report, May 2022**

**2020 Côte-Rôtie Améthyste****\$98.40 (6/cs)****2020 Côte-Rôtie Améthyste MAGNUM****\$200.60 (3/cs)**

*Made from 100% serine, a thicker-skinned, ancient, and more aromatic sub-variety of syrah in the über-traditional, submerged cap method, and raised in neutral demi-muids (double barriques).*

“Glass-staining ruby. Pungent aromas of ripe black and blue fruits, licorice, smoked meat, potpourri and black pepper. Offers densely packed cassis, bitter cherry and candied violet flavors that show fine definition and are braced by an undercurrent of juicy acidity. The licorice, cassis and floral notes repeat on a long, spice- and mineral-accented finish that features youthfully chewy tannins and a hint of bitter chocolate.”

**94 points, Josh Raynolds, Vinous, December 2022**

## **Domaine Rousset**



Stéphane Rousset is third generation vigneron who operates this small, family-run estate of mostly old vines (60 – 80 year), planted on steep granite slopes in the northernmost part of Crozes-Hermitage. Wines are made with minimal handling, and raised in mostly older oak barrels. The estate “is producing graceful, finely-etched wines that deliver serious bang for the buck” (Josh Raynolds, Vinous). Despite land holdings of 10 hectares, these wines are not easy to find outside of France, owing to their strong following among French collectors and sommeliers, and often found in Michelin-starred restaurants.

**2021 Saint-Joseph Rouge****\$46.50 (6/cs)**

“Quite a dark red; this has a country style aroma, wild blackberry, licorice, black pepper, is genuine. The palate gives a cool stream of black cherry fruit, is tasty and natural, with appealing purity, feels hand made, and is silky, elegant on the finish. It’s very fine, very bonny, aromatic St Jo, the balance good - most joli it is.”

**\*\*\*\*, Jonathan Livingston Learmonth, Rhône Report, February 2023**

## **Southern Rhône: Domaine de Ferrand**



Domaine de Ferrand is a small, family-run estate dedicated to preserving the unique traditions and special characteristics of Côtes-du-Rhône and Châteauneuf-du-Pape. Proprietor Philippe Bravay farms just 7.5 ha of Châteauneuf-du-Pape vines spread over 6 parcels in the cooler, northern sector of the appellation, and also makes wine from 9.5 ha of Côtes-du-Rhône. In the vineyard he uses organic growing techniques, strictly limits yields, and vinifies traditionally in concrete with some whole clusters. The result is classic Southern Rhone reds with deep fruit, great freshness, and lots of savoury nuance.

**2021 Côtes du Rhône Mistral****\$23.50 (12/cs)**

“This is lovely, juicy, peppery, grenache-based Côtes du Rhône with more than a modicum of elegance and finesse on offer, a sophisticated and pure example. I love the silky tannins, the balanced acids, the range of sweet red berry fruit, all the while remaining fresh and refined. It's showing well right now, though will surely reward another year or two in the cellar, and drink well late into the decade no doubt for a fully mature expression. Very good length and depth, and complexity overall.”

**91 points, John Szabo, Wine Align, July 2023**

## Domaine Charvin



In Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Domaine Charvin stands apart. Charvin's special terroir and thoughtful winemaking yield wines of remarkable energy, detail, and vibrancy in an area that otherwise produces many heavy, overworked wines. Laurent Charvin is the current steward of the family winery, founded in 1851. He farms around ten hectares of old vines on sandy, stony, north-facing slopes in the northwestern corner of Châteauneuf-du-Pape, and fifteen more in terroirs just outside the appellation's boundaries for his outstanding Côtes du Rhône. Laurent received organic certification for his vineyards in 2011, though in practice he has simply continued the low-intervention farming practices of his father Gilbert. The winemaking is resolutely traditional and uncomplicated, with classic whole-cluster fermentations for the reds and extended concrete aging for all of the wines; not a barrel in sight here! The resulting wines marry beautifully fresh ripe fruit with a range of deeply savoury aromas and flavours: hot stone, resinous herbs, dried flowers, and complex spices. These are must-try bottles for lovers of traditionally styled, deeply soulful, and age-worthy French wines.

### **2021 Côtes du Rhône Rouge**

**\$31.50 (12/cs)**

*Mostly grenache, with soils very similar to the sandy, stony terroir of their Châteauneuf-du-Pape. Mostly old-vine fruit, with some plantings dating back to the 1920s. Fermented entirely with whole clusters and aged roughly 18 months in concrete tanks.*

"A bold and expressive Cotes-du-Rhone with excellent wild blackberry fruit plus notes of meat and licorice. A big and well-structured wine that gets a real kick at the finish from the crunchy freshness. From organically grown grapes. Drink or hold."

**92 points, James Suckling, JamesSuckling.com, April 2023** (for the 2020 vintage)

### **2020 Châteauneuf-du-Pape Rouge**

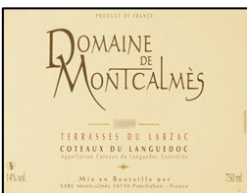
**\$76.50 (6/cs)**

"A blend of 82% Grenache, 5% Mourvèdre, 5% Syrah and equal proportions of Vaccarèse and Counoise, the 2020 Châteauneuf-du-Pape spent 21 months in concrete vats. The result is a vibrant red wine, bursting with precise aromas of ripe red fruits, blackberry, licorice as well as hints of dried thyme and lavender. Full-bodied, rich and layered, it is flawlessly balanced by fresh acidity and ends with good persistence on the savoury finish."

**94 points, Nicolas Greinacher, Vinous, April 2023**

**Also 97 points James Suckling, April 2023**

## Languedoc: Domaine de Montcalmès



Though their family once sold off grapes in bulk, rising star Frédéric Pourtalé and his sister Muriel took over their family's vineyards high in the Terrasses du Larzac, Languedoc in 1999. Before taking the helm, Frédéric trained with a number of great estates. He learned to carefully farm and vinify great syrah with Northern Rhône legend Alain Graillot, whose influence is clear in Frédéric's wines. He then worked with the rugged local terroir under the tutelage of late neighbour Laurent Vaillé, whose cult

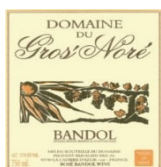
Grange des Pères estate made some of the Languedoc's finest wines. Pourtalé's organically-farmed vineyards sit at the base of the Cévennes Mountains, where cooling influences from the altitude and the proximity to the Mediterranean sea help the wines retain freshness and acidity. He grows syrah and grenache on the cooler limestone scree sites, while late-ripening mourvèdre is planted on warmer sites with galet stones reminiscent of Châteauneuf-du-Pape. Each parcel and grape variety is fermented separately with indigenous yeasts, and then the wines age quietly in used Burgundy barrels in Montcalmès' cool cellars. After two years, Frédéric masterfully blends the varieties together, artfully showing what results when beautiful terroir, careful farming, and expert winemaking come together. These are the key components to the depth and complexity of his wines, which now rank among the Languedoc's finest and most sought-after in France.

**2020 Terrasses du Larzac Rouge****\$61.50 (6/cs)**

“Plenty of cherries, forest berries, dried herbs, baking spices, grilled meat and a touch of leather. It’s medium-bodied with fine tannins. Textured and well-balanced with a Mediterranean character. Spicy as well, with a vivid character throughout. Crunchy finish with plenty of black pepper. Syrah, grenache, mourvedre and a touch of cinsault. Drink or hold.”

**94 points, James Suckling, JamesSuckling.com, July 2023**

## **Provence: Domaine Gros Noré**



Alain Pascal farms 16 hectares of 50 year old vines in the rolling hillsides of La Cadière d’Azur. The vineyards consist of clay and limestone soils, imparting a pronounced earthiness and splintered rock character to the wines. This microclimate a few kilometres from the Mediterranean is famous for its warmth and full sun, but importantly, it is tempered and refreshed by the persistent Mistral winds. Alain also farms the highest elevation vineyards of the Bandol appellation, which are planted on near pure limestone, which serves to refresh the blends and gives them a fine minerality. The winemaking is deeply traditional, with organic practices in the vineyard, indigenous yeasts in the cellar, and aging in tank for the rosé and foudre barrels for the reds. The rosé is made with the same attention to detail as the reds, and is a gorgeously refreshing and complex take on a wine that can often be an afterthought at lesser wineries. The reds have delightfully typical aromas of deep, mature, soft black fruits, spice, leather, and game.

**2019 Bandol Rouge (1 case)****\$62.50 (6/cs)**

“The 2019 offers ripe flavours (pepper, garrigue, aromatic herbs...), which prove its great potential for seduction while preserving its Mediterranean soul.”

**93 points, La Revue du Vin de France, Guide Vert 2023** (translated from French)

## **Piemonte: Renato Fenocchio**



This excellent, under-the-radar family estate in Neive makes wonderfully transparent, graceful wines from fruit that has been farmed without synthetic treatments for three decades. Renato Fenocchio and Milva Giacone both come from winemaking families in Barbaresco, but their path to running their own winery was not so simple. Their choice to forgo chemical pesticides and fertilizers in their vineyards was met with fierce resistance from their parents, and they were forced to save up for vineyards of their own rather than taking over family plots. After several years of selling their fruit to their famous friend Bruno Giacosa and others who understood their vision (and provided a little sage advice), they built a winery and produced their first vintage of Barbaresco in 2001. Since the beginning they have used traditional techniques that highlight the qualities of their vineyards: wild fermentations, aging in large Slavonian oak casks or tanks, and only minimal use of sulphur. The wines have signature Barbaresco aromas of bright red fruit and flowers, with fine, firm structures that will allow them to age gracefully.

**2020 Langhe Nebbiolo Spetacol****\$42 (6/cs)**

“Don’t miss out on this wine while you get blown away by the absolute starry Barbaresco quality at this estate, my best wine estate surprise of the year. This is pale red in colour (always a good sign with Nebbiolo wines), very elegant and steely in its Serravalian soil derived piercing sour red cherry and mineral sheen. Long and pretty.”

**91 points, Ian d’Agata, Terroir Sense, January 2021** (for the 2018 vintage)



**2018 Barbaresco Cru Rombone****\$69.50 (6/cs)***This cool west-facing plot in Treiso's Rombone cru was once owned by Renato's grandfather.*

"Medium red with an ample garnet rim. Clean red cherry, sweet spices, herbs and a metallic nuance are lifted by a hint of nail varnish that instead of being unpleasant actually adds interest and complexity. Then similar flavours to the aromas, with a touch of alcohol and lots of rose petal nuances. Well balanced and lovely, this is just plain fun to drink."

**92 points, Ian d'Agata, Terroir Sense, March 2021** (for the 2017 vintage)**2018 Barbaresco Cru Staderi****\$82 (6/cs)***This comes from the first plot the couple bought in 1993. Staderi cru is known for making structured, long-lived wines.*

"Properly pale red garnet. Gorgeous nose, so perfumed and elegant, exuding classic floral notes, dried rose and lemon blossom, bright, fresh red fruit. Complexity is moderate for now but this is a sheer pleasure to smell. The palate is silky and transparent, with very fine, dusty-grainy tannins supported by fresh, succulent acids. A wine crafted in the finessed idiom, a grand success for this hot and often unbalanced vintage. The perfume lingers nicely - deceptively long indeed. Textbook Barbaresco."

**94 points, John Szabo MS, Wine Align, February 2020** (for the 2017 vintage)

## Giuseppe Cortese



Giuseppe Cortese founded this estate in 1971 atop the grand hill of Rabajà in Barbaresco. He was the first to estate bottle allowing him to maintain the highest quality from grape to glass. The winery is perched above the Rabajà Cru, where they are the largest holders of land at 4 hectares. Still family owned and operated, the estate is now run by Giuseppe's children Pier Carlo and Tiziana, and son-in-law Gabriele. The winemaking leans traditional, with minimal handling, slow natural fermentations and aging in large casks. The wines made here are critically acclaimed, traditional, and unusually pure expressions of their stunning terroirs.

**2016 Barbaresco Rabajà Riserva****\$177.30 (6/cs)**

"The 2016 Barbaresco Riserva Rabajà is stellar. Just starting to open aromatically, the 2016 is superb in this tasting. Sweet macerated cherry, spice, new leather, tobacco and dried herbs all grace the 2016 with notable aromatic complexity. As always, the Riserva is an ethereal, engaging wine with less immediacy and mid-palate than the other Barbarescos here, but in exchange tons of nuance. This is the best showing yet for the 2016. A wine that satisfies both the hedonistic and intellectual senses."

**97 points, Antonio Galloni, Vinous, October 2023**

## Alberto Burzi



Young, dynamic Alberto Burzi took over his family's vines in La Morra in 2012, after decades of renting them to some very prominent Barolo producers. His sister Caterina soon joined, and the two have now established themselves as one of the more exciting young producers in Piemonte. They are traditionalists at heart, crafting hauntingly aromatic wines from old vines in La Morra, but they are also experimenting with viticultural techniques to continue crafting naturally fresh, vibrant wines even as temperatures increase in Barolo. Their prized vineyard is Capalot, a cru where they hold

a parcel of very old vines that yields a very special Barolo.

**2021 Barbera d'Alba Plaustra****\$30 (12/cs)**

From vines near the winery, this is an expressive, classic, and charming Barbera. The Burzi family's careful farming gives a wine with perfectly judged ripeness without excessive alcohol, which can be an issue with this grape in lesser hands. This has a lovely bright red cherry and floral nose, with a classic hint of cherry pit bitterness. The palate is medium bodied and juicy, with hints of fresh earth, sage, and spice complementing the ample fruit.

**2021 Langhe Nebbiolo Runcaja****\$37 (12/cs)**

This is a fragrant, elegant style of Langhe Nebbiolo from La Morra fruit. The grapes undergo a delicate extraction with the skins, and the fermentation and aging take place in well-used *tonneaux* barrels of 500 litres. It shows ripe-but-tart strawberry and cherry fruit on the nose, with delicate spice, tar, and earthy notes. The palate is refreshing but not simple, with bright juicy acidity, gently raspy tannins and deep fruit.

**2019 Barolo****\$67.50 (6/cs)**

"The 2019 Barolo is an attractive, fruity wine to drink now and over the next handful of years. Succulent red cherry fruit, red plum and sweet spice are front and center."

**90 points, Antonio Galloni, Vinous, January 2023**

**2019 Barolo Capalot Vecchie Viti****\$125 (6/cs)**

"Burzi's 2019 Barolo Capalot Vecchie Viti is a very pretty, statuesque wine. It offers up dark-toned fruit, spice, leather, tobacco and incense, all in a broad, ample style that is quite appealing. There's good depth and plenty of resonance that builds with time in the glass. The Capalot is the most potent wine in the range. This is nicely done." **92 points, Antonio Galloni, Vinous, January 2023**

**2019 Barolo La Serra****\$125 (6/cs)**

"A new wine in this range, the 2019 Barolo La Serra presents terrific balance of fruit and tannin, always the greatest challenge in this vineyard. Bright red-toned fruit, blood orange, mint, spice and crushed flowers lend energy to this beautifully delineated Barolo. Sweet floral and citrus overtones lift the sculpted finish."

**94 points, Antonio Galloni, Vinous, January 2023**

**Fratelli Alessandria**

The Alessandria family has been making wine in Barolo's Verduno commune since 1870. With support from his parents and uncle, 6<sup>th</sup> generation winemaker Vittore Alessandria is now firmly in charge, and acclaim for these exquisite traditional wines is growing rapidly. Part of the reason for the excitement among reviewers and Barolo-lovers is their privileged location in Verduno.

This small commune at the northern edge of the Barolo zone produces dramatically aromatic, elegant wines with distinctive floral and spice tones, and the commune's south-facing Monvigliero vineyard, cooled by the nearby Tanaro River, is now recognized as one of the very finest in the appellation.

**2022 Barbera d'Alba (1 case)****\$26.50 (12/cs)**

"The 2022 Barbera d'Alba is a gorgeous, red-fruited, floral wine. Aging in cement and steel keeps the flavors brisk and silky tannins wrap it all together. This is a gorgeous Barbera."

**90 points, Antonio Galloni, Vinous, January 2024**

**2020 Barbera d'Alba Superiore Priòra****\$37.90 (12/cs)**

"A selection from two vineyards, one in Verduno and the other in Monforte d'Alba, the 2020 Barbera D'Alba Superiore Priòra takes on more richness and concentration, with black raspberry, turned soil, and fresh violet. It is medium-bodied, with notes of meaty cherry fruit, iron-rich earth, and orange peel, as well as a fresh and lifted acidity." **91 points, Audrey Frick, JenDunnuck.com, May 2023**

**2021 Langhe Nebbiolo Prinsiot****\$37.90 (12/cs)**

“A jeweled ruby, the 2021 Langhe Nebbiolo Prinsiot is lifted with cranberry cocktail, tarragon, and orange zest. It is medium-bodied and structured, with fine tannins, refreshing acidity, and crunchy lift, with notes of pomegranate and tart berries. This is for youthful drinking over the next few years.”

**90 points, Audrey Frick, JenDunnuck.com, May 2023**

**2019 Barolo del Comune di Verduno****\$74 (6/cs)**

“These village-specific wines are growing in popularity, and among the various expressions on the market today, this wine from Verduno is really quite special thanks to its highly distinctive floral aromas and its delicate sense of inner balance... shows a fine, streamlined mouthfeel with polished tones of river stone, crushed rose and licorice root.”

**95 points, Monica Larner, Wine Advocate, August 2023**

**2019 Barolo Gramolere****\$107 (6/cs)**

“...shows a slightly sweeter and riper fruit profile. This wine comes from the village of Monforte d'Alba, which is known for more structured and powerful wines compared to Verduno (where this winery is based), which offers lighter, more floral wines instead. Gramolere shows dark fruit, plum and spice, but it also has a pretty mineral note of rust or iron. However, within this portfolio, this wine may well deliver the longest drinking window.”

**96+ points, Monica Larner, Wine Advocate, August 2023**

**2018 Barolo Monvigliero (1 case)****\$121.20 (6/cs)****2018 Barolo Monvigliero MAGNUM****\$269.65 (3/cs)**

“The 2018 Barolo Monvigliero shows a beautiful signature of pressed violets, rose garden, white stone, crushed peppercorn and grilled rosemary. The wine is smooth and soft in texture, yet it feels stitched up and firm at the back thanks to the support it gets from those balanced tannins. This wine should hold 20 years or more.”

**95 points, Monica Larner, Wine Advocate, August 2022**

**2019 Barolo Monvigliero****\$128.80 (6/cs)**

“...shows a medium dark garnet appearance with an especially focused quality of fruit. There is wild cherry and Japanese plum, but the Monvigliero cru also delivers crushed rose, earthy iris root, candied orange peel with clove and dustings of black pepper. The wine is exceedingly silky and polished in texture, but its inherent complexity is never diminished. It should be interesting to revisit this bottle after the 10-year mark. This estate was the first to bottle a Monvigliero in 1978.”

**97 points, Monica Larner, Wine Advocate, August 2023**

## **Tuscany: Baricci**



In the 1950s Nello Baricci first recognized that the wines of Montosoli, a cru on the north side of Montalcino, were of consistently superior quality and eventually bought a small vineyard there. Today, in part due to Nello's work, Montosoli is firmly established as one of Montalcino's greatest vineyards. Some estates routinely separate their Montosoli fruit for their top, single-vineyard wine. Baricci, on the other hand, has *all* of their 5 hectares of sangiovese vineyard in this outstanding cru. Federico and Francesco Buffi, Nello's grandsons, now run the estate. The farming is organic and meticulous, and aging (10 months for the Rosso and 36 months for Brunello) is in traditional large Slovenian casks. The result is a beautifully delineated, authentic expression of this terroir, marked by an earthy, floral perfume, fine red and black fruit, and ripe, chewy tannins.

**2021 Rosso di Montalcino****\$45 (6/cs)***All Montosoli fruit from the lower part of the vineyard. 10 months in Slavonian oak casks.*

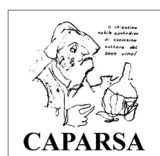
“...opens with a dark and woodsy blend of wild herbs, crushed rocks and peppery wild berries. This soothes with its elegant textures and pliant red fruits, taking on a floral tinge of violets and lavender through the tension-filled finale. It finishes staining and long, still so young and backward. It ends with a cheek-puckering sensation and hints of autumnal spice.”

**91 points, Eric Guido, Vinous, December 2022****2018 Brunello di Montalcino****\$97 (6/cs)****2018 Brunello di Montalcino MAGNUM****\$215 (6/cs)***This is pure Sangiovese from Montosoli, fermented with indigenous yeasts and aged 3 years in large Slavonian oak casks.*

“... draws me in with a woodsy and balsamic bouquet, blending wild strawberries with flowery underbrush and hints of sage. This is soft yet potent, enveloping the palate with ripe textural fruits and sweet spice, as a staining of minerality and fine tannins settle in toward the close. A saturation of black raspberries and licorice is left to linger through the long and gently structured finale, giving way to pretty inner floral perfumes. There's a beautiful harmony here, along with the balance needed for a long and steady evolution. Of note, while not stated in the name of the wine, the Baricci Brunello is a pure interpretation of Montosoli fruit.”

**94 points, Eric Guido, Vinous, December 2023**

## Caparsa



Paolo Cianferoni crafts intensely soulful, deliciously distinctive Sangiovese in the hills of Radda, at the heart of Chianti Classico. In 1982 he took over his father's centuries-old farmhouse and a dozen hectares of vines surrounded by woods. He works mainly with Sangiovese, much of it from old vines. The farming is organic, and the cellar work is decidedly low-tech. Fermentation with indigenous yeasts and aging take place in concrete vats and large wooden casks in their old cellars. The wines are bottled with minimal sulphur and the Chianti Classicos are released only after further aging to soften Sangiovese's tannins and to allow the aromatics to deepen. Paolo's wines could not be further from the generic, mass-produced, and heavily manipulated wine that too often passes for Chianti. These are wines with deep fruit and a range of savoury aromas and flavours that evolve beautifully in the glass, married with a fine structure that makes them naturals at the dinner table. This is what real Chianti Classico is all about!

**2018 Chianti Classico Riserva Caparsino****\$59.50 (6/cs)**

“...a super classic wine from Paolo Cianferoni. Dark and resonant, with striking aromatic dimension, the Caparsino has so much going on. Wild cherry, tobacco, kirsch, spice and blood orange build as the 2018 gains aromatic breadth with a bit of time. The 2018 is a stunner...” **93 points, Antonio Galloni, Vinous, Sept 2021**

**2016 Chianti Classico Riserva Doccia a Matteo****\$65.95 (6/cs)**

“...powerful and deep, with tons of intensity and structure. High-toned aromatics add character along with an element of rusticity that nevertheless works quite well here. Macerated cherry, plum, leather, cloves, menthol and coffee all develop with time. A dollop of Colorino contributes further shades of nuance and complexity. The Doccia a Matteo is a compelling wine done in a decidedly old-school leaning style.”

**94 points, Antonio Galloni, Vinous, July 2019****2012 Chianti Classico Riserva Doccia a Matteo****\$69.90 (6/cs)**

“Eleven years old, a vintage of high quantity which also means that the wine is a fatter and softer one. Fully resolved now and drinking with lovely grace and elegance.”

**92 points, Michael Godel, Wine Align, February 2023**

**2008 Chianti Classico Riserva Doccia a Matteo****\$73.95 (6/cs)**

From a cooler, classic vintage that produced precise, focused, and structured wines that needed time in bottle to unfurl their deep aromatic complexity. This has beautifully mature dried cherry and strawberry fruit, with smoked meat and sweet autumnal aromas of mushrooms and pine forest. This retains lovely freshness on the medium-bodied palate, where fine chalky tannins and bright acidity support the complex flavours.

**Bierzo: Verónica Ortega**

After learning her craft at some extraordinary domaines in Burgundy (DRC, Comte Armand), the Northern Rhône (Comber), Central Otago (Burn Cottage) and Spain's Priorat, Verónica Ortega was ready to start her own small domaine. She fell in love with the Atlantic climate and dramatic landscapes of Bierzo in Spain's northwest, and with some help from revered Spanish winemaker Raúl Perez, purchased 5 hectares there. She works with 80-year-old vines of mencia, the region's indigenous red grape, which she farms biodynamically and harvests by hand. She has a deep understanding of the fascinating, terroir-expressive mencia grape, and masterfully captures the essence and character that each vineyard offers. Her approach in the cellar is natural and experimental while respecting the classic techniques she picked up in Burgundy. These are fascinating, delicious examples of a new generation of Spanish winemakers making delicate, complex, and transparent wines.

**2020 ROC Bierzo Mencía****\$68 (6/cs)**

*This is Verónica's top red, named for her late brother. It comes from a plot of 100-year-old vines on sandy soils in Valtuille.*

"The aromatic profile of the 2020 ROC is quite different from the one of the 2021 that I tasted next to it. The two years were very different; 2020 was a year of concentration, ripeness and fruit, of darker and riper sensations and more tannins, or perhaps more rustic tannins. This is a more powerful vintage that is going to need a little more time and/or powerful food."

**95 points, Luis Gutiérrez, Wine Advocate, August 2023**

**Coming Soon****Samuel Billaud (In Lab)**

2022 Chablis, \$49.90

2021 Chablis 1<sup>er</sup> Cru Fourneaux, \$107.252021 Chablis 1<sup>er</sup> Cru Montée de Tonnerre, \$117.502022 Chablis 1<sup>er</sup> Cru Fourchaume, \$110.50**Cascina Baricchi (In Lab)**

2019 Che Cha Vino Bianco, \$38.85

2019 Barbera d'Alba Riva della Coda, \$41.30

2016 Barbaresco Riserva Rose delle Casasse, \$116.70

2017 Barbaresco Riserva Rose delle Casasse, \$116.70

2008 Barbaresco Quindicianni, \$196

**Marchand-Tawse & Domaine Tawse**

2019 Puligny-Montrachet

2019 Puligny-Montrachet 1<sup>er</sup> Cru Champ Gain2019 Meursault 1<sup>er</sup> Cru Genevrières

2019 Gevrey-Chambertin Aux Etelois

2019 Pommard 1<sup>er</sup> Cru Rugiens2019 Morey-Saint-Denis 1<sup>er</sup> Cru Les Millandes2019 Gevrey 1<sup>er</sup> Cru Lavaux Saint Jacques2019 Vosne-Romanée 1<sup>er</sup> Cru Les Suchots

2019 Clos de la Roche Grand Cru

2019 Mazoyères-Chambertin Grand Cru

**Domaine Vieux Moulin**

2022 Corbières Vieux Moulin

**In Transit****Robert Moncuit**

NV Les Grands Blancs Champagne Extra Brut

NV Réserve Perpétuelle Champagne Extra Brut

NV Les Romarines Champagne Rosé Extra Brut

2016 Les Chétilons Champagne Extra Brut

**Egly-Ouriet**

NV Les Premices Champagne

NV Les Vignes de Bisseuil 1<sup>er</sup> Cru Champagne

NV Brut Grand Cru Champagne



Domaine Pattes Loup

2021 Chablis Vent d'Ange Mise Tardive  
 2019 Chablis 1<sup>er</sup> Cru Butteaux Mise Tardive  
 2019 Chablis 1<sup>er</sup> Cru Beauregard Mise Tardive  
 2020 Chablis 1<sup>er</sup> Cru Vaillons Mise Tardive

Chavy-Chouet

2022 Bourgogne Aligoté Les Maréchaux  
 2022 Bourgogne Blanc Les Femelottes  
 2022 Puligny-Montrachet Les Enseignières  
 2022 Meursault Les Narvaux  
 2022 Meursault Clos des Corvées de Citeau Monopole  
 2022 Bourgogne Rouge La Taupe  
 2022 Maranges Rouge Les Plantes

Anne Sigaut

2021 Chambolle-Musigny  
 2021 Chambolle-Musigny 1<sup>er</sup> Cru Les Noirot  
 2021 Chambolle-Musigny 1<sup>er</sup> Les Fuées  
 2021 Chambolle-Musigny 1<sup>er</sup> Les Sentiers  
 2021 Morey-Saint-Denis 1<sup>er</sup> Les Millandes

Lafarge-Vial

2022 Chiroubles  
 2022 Fleurie  
 2022 Fleurie Joie du Palais  
 2022 Fleurie Clos Vernay  
 2022 Côte de Brouilly

Trapet Alsace

2023 A Minima Alsace Blanc  
 2022 RQWR Riesling  
 2016 Sonnenglanz Grand Cru Pinot Gris  
 2018 Schoenenbourg Grand Cru Riesling  
 2022 Chapelle 1441 Alsace Pinot Noir

Caparsa

2020 Chianti Classico