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It was 40 years ago in March that I started my wine business off Smithfield Market. In many respects the timing could not have been worse as the country had just been through the Winter of Discontent. However, aged 26, with all the abandon and optimism of youth, I took the plunge.

In the early 1980's a trip to Burgundy swiftly revealed that the finest wines were to be found from growers whose profound knowledge of their vines and individual soils enables the more talented to make wines of unsurpassed complexity and finesse.

Forty years on and I still work with the same families behind these wonderful expressions of Pinot Noir and Chardonnay. Applying the same principles of locating growers dedicated to their terroirs and producing wines of true local character I now represent Domaines in all of France's principal wine growing regions as well as a number from more obscure appellations.

I have been very lucky in my choice of career. Apart from trading in wine, an endlessly changing and fascinating product, I have had the joy of working with both wine makers and consumers many of whom have become good friends over the years, not to mention some outstanding members of staff. Coupled with working in one of the most beautiful, historic, and vibrant parts of London I count myself extremely fortuitous.

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#### Key

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O = Organic  
B = Biodynamic  
CS = Certified Sustainable

## Core Wines

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|---|--------|-----|
| Domaine Saint Andre de Figuière Méditerranée Rosé 2020      | £8.90  | p9  |
| Famille la Place Château Aydie Les 3 Petit Cochons Rosé VdF | £9.20  | p40 |
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|--|--------|-----|
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| Antoine de la Farge Enfant Rebelle Pinot Noir 2020         | £9.95  | p33 |
| Famille Gras Cotes du Rhone Vieilles Vignes 2017           | £9.95  | p37 |
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##### Burgundy

|                                     |      |     |        |
|-------------------------------------|------|-----|--------|
| Gevrey Chambertin 2017, Joseph Roty | 37.5 | Red | £21.70 |
| Marsannay Rouge 2017, Joseph Roty   | 37.5 | Red | £13.50 |

##### Bordeaux

|                                      |                    |      |     |        |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------|------|-----|--------|
| Château La Tour de By 2016           | Médoc              | 37.5 | Red | £9.60  |
| Château Les Hautes Conseillants 2015 | Lalande de Pomerol | 37.5 | Red | £10.15 |
| Château Faizeau 2009                 | Saint - Émilion    | 37.5 | Red | £12.00 |

#### Large Formats

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##### Champagne

|  |     |       |       |
|--|-----|-------|-------|
| Blanc de Blancs Brut Signature NV , Philippe Gonet | 1.5 | White | 58.50 |
| Champagne Rosé NV , Philippe Gonet                 | 1.5 | Rosé  | 65.00 |

##### Loire

|  |     |       |        |
|--|-----|-------|--------|
| Sancerre 2017, Vincent Delaporte             | 1.5 | White | £32.50 |
| Sancerre Silex 2018, Vincent Delaporte       | 1.5 | White | £49.00 |
| Sancerre Mont Damnés 2017, Vincent Delaporte | 1.5 | White | £52.00 |

##### Provence

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|--|-----|-------|--------|
| La Confidentielle AC Provence La Lande 2018 , St André de Figuière | 1.5 | White | £41.95 |
| Rosé Méditerranée 2019 , St André de Figuière                      | 1.5 | Rosé  | £19.95 |
| La Confidentielle AC Provence La Lande 2018 , St André de Figuière | 1.5 | Rosé  | £41.95 |
| Cuvée Magali AC Provence La Lande 2017, St André de Figuière       | 3   | Rosé  | £55.50 |

##### Burgundy

|   |     |       |        |
|---|-----|-------|--------|
| Chablis 2018, Domaine Gilbert Picq                              | 1.5 | White | £38.85 |
| Chablis Dessus la Carriere 2017, Domaine Gilbert Picq           | 1.5 | White | £40.00 |
| Chablis Dessus la Carriere 2018, Domaine Gilbert Picq           | 1.5 | White | £40.00 |
| Chablis 1er Cru Vaucoupin 2017, Domaine Gilbert Picq            | 1.5 | White | £52.60 |
| Chablis 1er Cru Vaurorent 2017, Gilles et Nathalie Fèvre        | 1.5 | White | £52.50 |
| Chablis Les Preuses Grand Cru 2017, Gilles et Nathalie Fèvre    | 1.5 | White | £91.95 |
| Pouilly Fuisse Climat "Sur la Roche" 2018, Domaine Gilles Morat | 1.5 | White | £52.75 |

## **Burgundy**

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|---|-----|-----|---------|
| Irancy Les Bâtardes 2018, Maison de la Chapelle               | 1.5 | Red | £42.85  |
| Bourgogne Rouge 2018, Hubert Lignier                          | 1.5 | Red | £46.00  |
| Marsannay Rouge 2017, Joseph Roty                             | 1.5 | Red | £46.75  |
| Gevrey Chambertin 2016, Alain Jeanniard                       | 1.5 | Red | £75.00  |
| Chambolle Musigny 2016, Alain Jeanniard                       | 1.5 | Red | £82.50  |
| Nuits St Georges 1er Cru Les Vignerondes 2012, Hubert Lignier | 1.5 | Red | £195.00 |

## **Bordeaux**

|   |                    |     |     |        |
|---|--------------------|-----|-----|--------|
| Château Le Grand Verdus Rouge 2018            | Bordeaux Supérieur | 1.5 | Red | £18.00 |
| Château Le Grand Verdus 'Génération' 2016     | Bordeaux Supérieur | 1.5 | Red | £27.70 |
| Château Le Grand Verdus 'Grande Réserve' 2009 | Bordeaux Supérieur | 1.5 | Red | £45.65 |
| Château Le Grand Verdus 'Grande Réserve' 2010 | Bordeaux Supérieur | 1.5 | Red | £45.65 |
| Château Le Grand Verdus 'Grande Réserve' 2015 | Bordeaux Supérieur | 1.5 | Red | £44.30 |
| Château La Tour de By 2016                    | Médoc              | 1.5 | Red | £38.00 |
| Château d'Agassac 2009                        | Haut - Médoc       | 1.5 | Red | £51.00 |
| Château Faizeau 2009                          | Saint - Émilion    | 1.5 | Red | £49.00 |
| Château Labégorce 2009                        | Margaux            | 1.5 | Red | £50.00 |

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Grower Champagne

**CHAMPAGNE RENARD BARNIER**

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**Villevénard**  
Lutte Raisonnée

This small family run Champagne house just south of Epernay produces a wonderful blanc de noirs blend, with an equal balance of Champagne's two black grapes, Pinot Noir and Pinot Meunier. These two grapes combine their characteristics of weight, and ability to age, with

a softer fruit style. Apart from careful winemaking the secret here is the wine is aged for at least 3 years before release which allows the cuvée to develop its fresh lightly biscuit aroma and fully flavoured palate.

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|--|-------------|--------------|
| <b>Champagne Cuvée Speciale, Brut, Blanc de Noirs</b><br><i>Pinot Noir – Pinot Meunier</i> | <b>NV</b>   | <b>17.95</b> |
| <b>Champagne Cuvée Millésimé</b>   | <b>2013</b> | <b>26.95</b> |

**CHAMPAGNE PHILIPPE GONET**

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**Les Mesnil-sur-Oger**  
Lutte Raisonnée

Siblings Chantal and Pierre Gonet are 7<sup>th</sup> generation family growers in the Grand Cru village of Le Mesnil. Winemaker Pierre combines modern winemaking methods and traditional techniques to bring out the best of the minerality and structure of their 19-hectare estate

on the Mesnil terroir. This is single vineyard blanc de blancs Champagne at its best, a rare gem in the world of big brand Champagne houses and is now beginning to side-line many of these famous names in the upper echelons of London restaurants.

|  |             |              |
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| White  |             |              |
| <b>Champagne Blanc de Blancs Brut, Signature</b>             | <b>NV</b>   | <b>26.95</b> |
| <b>Champagne Blanc de Blancs Extra Brut 3-2-1-0</b>          | <b>NV</b>   | <b>29.95</b> |
| <b>Champagne 'Ter' Noir, Blanc de Noirs Brut Grand Cru</b>   | <b>NV</b>   | <b>32.95</b> |
| <b>Champagne 'Ter' Blanc, Blanc de Blancs Brut Grand Cru</b> | <b>NV</b>   | <b>34.95</b> |
| Rosé   |             |              |
| <b>Champagne Rosé Brut</b>                                   | <b>NV</b>   | <b>28.95</b> |
| Vintage  |             |              |
| <b>Champagne Blanc de Blancs, Grand Cru</b>                  | <b>2011</b> | <b>39.95</b> |
| <b>Champagne Belemnita, Grand Cru</b>                        | <b>2005</b> | <b>99.95</b> |



Provence

**DOMAINE SAINT ANDRÉ DE FIGUIÈRE**

**La Londe-les-Maures**  
Organic / Lutte Raisonnée

This dynamic domaine was created by Alain Combard in the early 1990's and is now run by his children. Their range of Rosé are quintessentially Provençal in appearance, particularly those organically farmed wines from grapes grown on mica and schist. However, they also make fine structured white from Vermentino

(Rolle) and Semillon and have vineyards in the new appellation of La Londe. Enterprising, focused and successful, they have invested back in the Domaine including a new cuverie, and they also make a Provençal Méthode Traditionelle 'Atmosphère'.

IGP *Méditerranée*

|                           |             |             |
|---------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| <b>Rosé Méditerranée</b>  | <b>2020</b> | <b>8.90</b> |
| <b>White Méditerranée</b> | <b>2019</b> | <b>8.95</b> |
| <b>Red Méditerranée</b>   | <b>2019</b> | <b>8.95</b> |

AOP Côtes de Provence, *Les Signatures*

|                            |             |              |
|----------------------------|-------------|--------------|
| <b>Rosé 'Cuvée Magali'</b> | <b>2020</b> | <b>11.30</b> |
|----------------------------|-------------|--------------|

AOP Côtes de Provence (organic), *Les Premières*

|   |             |              |
|---|-------------|--------------|
| <b>Rosé Première de Figuière, Vieilles Vignes</b> | <b>2020</b> | <b>13.70</b> |
|---|-------------|--------------|

AOP Côtes de Provence La Londe (organic), *Les Confidentielles*

|                                |             |              |
|--------------------------------|-------------|--------------|
| <b>Rosé La Confidentielle</b>  | <b>2018</b> | <b>18.95</b> |
| <b>White La Confidentielle</b> | <b>2018</b> | <b>19.95</b> |

Méthode Traditionelle

|                                   |             |              |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|--------------|
| <b>Atmosphère Rosé Extra Brut</b> | <b>2018</b> | <b>15.50</b> |
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Burgundy: Chablis & Irancy

**DOMAINE GILLES & NATHALIE FÈVRE**

**Fontenay-Près-Chablis**

Certified Sustainable

**G**illes and his wife, Nathalie, combine wine-making skills to make wines where aromas, texture and flavour provide a haunting reminder that Chablis' unique fossil-based clay soil is an ancient seabed. Their 15-hectare domaine comprises mostly of vineyards handed down to Gilles, as a member of Chablis' pre-eminent family. The highly articulate Nathalie is a former

winemaker at La Chablisienne. They offer a modest portfolio of one Chablis, three 1er Cru and one Grand Cru, Les Preuses. All their wines are unoaked, except for the flagship Vaurent. This has 10% one/two-year oak, made from old vines which skirt the bottom of the Grand Cru Preuses, and has a vibrant definition.

**Petit Chablis** **2019** **13.65**

**Chablis** **2018** **14.25**

**Chablis 1er Cru Fourchaume** **2017** **19.95**

**Chablis 1er Cru Vaurent** **2018** **24.25**

*Nathalie thinks this wine has 'the memory of the sea' and I won't argue, one doesn't need to be a poet to imagine the ancient shellfish in the wine's spine of minerality. Vaurent lies within the better known Fourchaume 1er Cru just above the Grand Cru les Preuses. It has a particularly rocky soil as well as a very good south-western exposure. It sees a little oak, around 15%, for structure rather than flavour.*

**Chablis Grand Cru Les Preuses** **2015** **42.00**

**Chablis Grand Cru Les Preuses** **2016** **42.00**

*Lying between Bougros and Vaudésir with a near perfect south west aspect. The soils here are deeper than in Vaurent above, giving wines which combine oyster shell minerality with a deep power grounded in the earth. Les Preuses is a wine of geology.*

**DOMAINE GILBERT PICQ & SES FILS**

**Chichée**

Lutte Raisonnée

**B**ased in the small village of Chichée, Domaine Gilbert Picq is now run by Gilbert's children, Pascal in the vines, Didier makes the wines and Marilyn works in the office; the family have farmed this land for generations. The commitment to quality here is impressive. Old vines are retained. Yields are kept low. No oak is used, only stainless steel. Fermentations take place with natural yeasts. The aim is simple, transmit Chablis' unique terroir as faithfully and transparently as possible. This simple approach works. In the words of the Wine Advocate's William Kelley, Domaine Picq is "*one of Chablis's finest, a source of concentrated and incisive Chablis that are well worth seeking out.*" When we spoke to Didier about his vineyards, he

told us that Chichée has long been used by négociants as a source of high-quality wine to go into their large Chablis blends. In the past its name rarely appeared or was discussed, which suited the large merchant's needs. When Chablis' Grand and 1er Cru were demarcated Chichée was largely overlooked. This is a shame, as the terroir is classic Chablis; a high proportion of Kimmeridgian Clay in vineyards well angled to catch the sun. Indeed, Didier's 1er Cru Vaucoupin enjoys a similar aspect to Bougros Grand Cru. This relative anonymity does mean that the quality to value ratio here is excellent, one can buy wines from one of the regions finest domaines for little more than the blends of the large négociants.

**Chablis**

**2018**

**14.85**

*One can tell this is Chablis immediately, and grown on good terroir at that. Didier says the soil in these parcels is high quality chalk and always gives a focused, mineral wine. Absolutely classic and such good value.*

**Chablis En Vaudécorse**

**2018**

**16.15**

**Chablis Dessus La Carrière**

**2018**

**17.15**

**Chablis Vieilles Vignes**

**2018**

**17.65**

**Chablis 1er Cru Vosgros**

**2018**

**22.00**

**Chablis 1er Cru Vaucoupin**

**2018**

**22.95**

Burgundy: Chablis & Irancy

**MAISON DE LA CHAPELLE**

**La Chapelle-Vaupelteigne**

Lutte Raisonnée

**W**e are extremely pleased and excited to be bringing these wines to the UK for the first time. Although Irancy isn't a household name this northern neighbour of Chablis has enjoyed something of a revolution in quality recently and attracted the attention of Neal Martin amongst other critics. The steeply sloped vineyards produce classically light and fresh Pinot from Kimmeridgian soils similar to those found in Chablis. Maison de la Chapelle, the personal project of Delphine & Grégory Viennois

(Grégory is technical director of Domaine Laroche in Chablis), is at the forefront of this revolution, producing wines of uncommon depth and perfume from some of Irancy's finest sites. Winemaking is traditional and hands off. Fermentation with natural yeasts takes place in cement before the wines are moved to 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> fill barrels to mature. After maturing for 12 months the wines are bottled unfiltered and unfiltered.

*"These wines are simply delicious; I feel the urge to make an order!"*

Bill Nanson

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**Irancy**

**2018**

**15.95**

*A blend of four climats, Paradis, Renouel, Beaux Monts and Bâtardes from vines aged between 30 and 50 years. 10% whole bunch. Indigenous yeast ferments. Aged 50% in cement, 50% in old barrels. Bottled with no fining or filtration.*

*Lots of colour despite pure pinot. A nice width of aroma with a little floral component. Mouth-filling, lots of concentration but fresh energy too – there's no fat here, just an ingraining flavour. Long, almost a chewy extract in the finish – almost a graphite style of mineral finish. To wait for, this is serious wine – Excellent!*

Bill Nanson, Burgundy Report March 2019

**Irancy Les Beaux Monts**

**2018**

**19.95**

*35-year-old vines planted on a steeply sloping, 45°, south facing site, thin clay over Kimmeridgian limestone. 100% 3- & 4-year-old barrels.*

*Similar depth of colour, perhaps a little lighter – the extra whole clusters perhaps. A different style of nose – deeper, darker fruit. More energy, more dynamic wine – again a depth of minerality that's dark and almost graphitic, but essentially a more dynamic with the merest touch of oak in the flavours. A weightier flavour in the finish. The tannin has a little textural grab but there's hardly a grain. Top!*

Bill Nanson, Burgundy Report March 2019

**Irancy Les Bâtardes**

**2018**

**19.95**

*30-year-old vines planted on a north west facing slope. 100% 3- & 4-year-old barrels.*

Burgundy: Côte de Nuits

**DOMAINE JOSEPH ROTY**

**Gevrey-Chambertin**

Lutte Raisonnée

This Domaine boasts one of the largest concentrations of old vines in Burgundy, averaging about 65 years. Coupled with late picking, which further concentrates yields and with fermentation below 30 degrees, and a *cuvaison* of three weeks, the structure and complexity is consequentially remarkable and the winemaking uncompromising in achieving this.

With a little age these wines develop wonderful aromatics with the characteristic Pinot Noir flavours of black cherry and stone fruit. The old vine fruit contributes the length of flavour and great complexity. Roty's Charmes Chambertin Cuvée Très Vieilles Vignes is largely harvested from vines of over 120 years!

White

**Marsannay Blanc** 2015 23.25

Rosé

**Marsannay Rosé** 2017 14.80

*Marsannay is the only village of the Cote d'Or proper which produces Rosé, much of it rather dull. But Roty and a few hardy colleagues show what can be achieved when yields are kept low and the grapes are carefully vinified. Think ripe strawberry fruit with a cool, limestone infused grip and a little earthy complexity.*

Red

**Coteaux Bourguignons** 2017 15.20

**Bourgogne Rouge, Cuvée de Pressonnier** 2018 19.50

*This plot was designated as village Gevrey until 1964 when boundary changes saw it declassified. A shame for Roty, a bonus for us. It clearly has the character of good Gevrey and ages very well.*

**Marsannay** 2014 23.00

**Marsannay** 2015 23.75

**Marsannay 'En Ouzelois'** 2017 26.75

**Gevrey Chambertin** 2016 37.35

**Gevrey Chambertin 'Champs Chenys'** 2013 45.00

**Gevrey Chambertin 'Champs Chenys'** 2014 49.00

**Gevrey Chambertin 1er Cru Les Fontenys** 2014 72.95

We hold stock of Grand Cru and older vintages from Domaine Roty so please do enquire what may be available

**DOMAINE HARMAND-GEOFFROY**

**Gevrey-Chambertin**

Lutte Raisonnée

After several visits we are pleased to have begun working with Philippe Harmand and his father Gérard. Philippe is now in control of wine making and viticulture and while both remain largely traditional, he is beginning to introduce new canopy management techniques, as well as making changes in the winery. In the vineyard they practice *lutte raisonnée*, no herbicides or pesticides have been used for over 30 years. They let the grass grow between the vines over winter and plough between the rows when the soils dry. A green harvest controls yields. Philippe is careful to keep the leaves around the bunches. As the sun's direct rays and heat burns off acidity this provides shade for the grapes; he feels this gives his wines extra freshness. In the winery no stalks are

used, the grapes see a five-day cold soak before fermentation with natural yeasts. The village and 1er wines see between 20-40% new oak, the Grand Cru 90%. Gevrey purists, they have a serious line up of sites including Lavaux, Champeaux and Mazi Grand Cru. Their Monopole, La Bossière, is Gevrey's smallest 1er Cru and one of the highest, giving a fine, mineral wine. The Gevrey Vieilles Vignes comes from 50-80-year-old vines which grow below 1er Cru Champeaux to the north of the village in the Brochon sector. These are classically styled Gevrey that will please traditionalists, although I feel Philippe is beginning to find a new focus and poise in the wines. With his energy and the domaines old vines I think exciting times lie ahead for Harmand-Geoffroy.

**Gevrey-Chambertin**

**2016**

**35.00**

*From 10 parcels spread across the appellation, some below the Grand Crus, some to the north on the higher slopes, producing a super classic Gevrey.*

**Gevrey-Chambertin En Jouise**

**2016**

**40.00**

**Gevrey-Chambertin En Jouise**

**2015**

**39.50**

*60-80-year-old vines growing near Mazis. Shares some of that sites finesse but with an open profile that doesn't demand such long ageing.*

**Gevrey-Chambertin 1er Cru La Perriere**

**2016**

**64.95**

*The vines lie just below Mazi-Chambertin and give a wine which is silky and shows bright cherry fruit.*

**Mazis-Chambertin Grand Cru**

**2016**

**135.00**

*Three parcels in Mazis Haut, three in Bas, mainly 40-70-year-old vines with a few ancient 90-year olds as well.*

Burgundy: Côte de Nuits

**DOMAINE HUBERT LIGNIER**

**Morey St Denis**

Organic

The estate has now grown to 9 hectares and has extensive holdings not just in Morey but also Gevrey, Chambolle and Nuits St Georges. Hubert's son, Laurent, now runs the estate and is gaining a reputation for making pure 'terroir' driven wines of profound fruit quality. This feels

like a terrific time for Laurent and his Domaine. Having put their troubles behind them he has made a run of exceptional vintages with skilful wine making and sensitivity towards terroir as their hallmark.

*The soil is the key to succeed in making a great wine:  
respecting and looking after it is essential to reveal a great terroir.*

Laurent Lignier

White

**Bourgogne Aligoté** 2018 12.95  
*All the best Aligoté comes from old vine stock, the modern clones being more about volume than quality. These were planted in 1944 and produce a wine of succulent fruit and superb length. Bin the cassis.*

**Saint Romain Blanc** 2018 25.50  
**Saint Romain Blanc** 2016 24.00

Red

**Bourgogne Rouge** 2016 20.50

**Morey St Denis 'Tres Girard'** 2015 37.50  
**Morey St Denis 'Tres Girard'** 2014 36.00

*Vines planted in the 70s in this site just below the 1er Cru Clos Sorbé*

**Morey St Denis Trilogie** 2014 38.00

**Morey St Denis 1er Cru Clos Baulet** 2014 55.00

**Morey St Denis 1er Cru Chenevery** 2014 56.00

**Morey St Denis 1er Cru Chenevery** 2011 55.00

*These 50-year-old vines sit just beside some of the Morey Vieilles Vignes vines, on poor shallow soils.*

**Morey St Denis 1er Cru La Riotte** 2014 60.00

**Morey St Denis 1er Cru La Riotte** 2011 66.00

**Morey St Denis 1er Cru Les Chaffots** 2013 66.50

*Sitting on the slope above Clos St Denis at over 300ms Chaffots benefits from lots of sunshine, while the vines are cooled by breezes from the hills above. It produces wines of tension which age brilliantly.*

**Morey St Denis 1er Cru Vieilles Vignes** 2012 110.00

**Gevrey Chambertin La Justice** 2012 36.00

**Gevrey Chambertin Les Seuvrées** 2014 37.50

**Gevrey Chambertin 1er Cru La Perriere** 2013 65.00

Burgundy: Côte de Nuits

*Domaine Hubert Lignier Cont.*

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| <b>Chambolle Musigny Les Bussieres</b><br><i>60-year-old vines growing near the Morey border.</i> | <b>2014</b> | <b>42.00</b> |
| <b>Nuits St Georges 1er Cru les Didiers</b>   | <b>2013</b> | <b>68.00</b> |
| <b>Nuits St Georges 1er Cru les Didiers</b>   | <b>2011</b> | <b>65.00</b> |

We have access to older vintages and magnums so please do enquire what may be available.

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**DOMAINE ALAIN JEANNIARD**

**Morey St Denis**  
Lutte Raisonnée

Alain left his job in industry to take over his family's tiny domaine in Morey in the late 1990s. He quickly made a name for himself, from 2000-2006 he looked after the viticulture for the Hospices de Beaune's parcels of Mazi and Clos de la Roche. He built his domaine to 4 hectares, buying or renting parcels in Chambolle, Gevrey, Fixin and Pommard amongst others and now produces just short of 20,000 bottles a year. Alain thinks deeply about both viticulture and vinification. He experiments restlessly, he has no simple answers and is a joy to question over a glass of wine. Alain prunes his vines to the Cordon Royat rather than the traditional Guyot, he believes it gives low yields and ripe, thick skinned berries. He has been using whole bunch fermentation longer than many, but again, he has

his own ideas. Foolish, he says, to try and get the stalks ripe. The wines don't need the stalk tannin; his grapes have thick and ripe skins, plenty of structure, the stalks are there to keep the cap loose and do away with the need for violent punching down during fermentation, a gentle foot tread is all that is needed. In this way Alain extracts as gently as he can. He farms without herbicides, ferments with natural yeasts and filters his wines as little as possible. His cave is as Burgundian as Boeuf Bourguignon, cramped, the ceiling low and arched, walls stacked with bottles, a spittoon balanced between the barrels. From this most traditional of settings he produces wines which are perhaps unconventional but, at their best, utterly delicious.

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| Red<br><b>Gevrey Chambertin</b> | <b>2016</b> | <b>34.00</b> |
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**DOMAINE COQUARD LOISON FLEUROT**

**Flagey Echézeaux**

Lutte Raisonnée

**F**inding a new domaine in Vosne Romanée is a tough job. Every inch of this super star village has been pored over by eager wine merchants looking for the next big thing. So, when another of our growers mentioned an old friend from school who had started to domaine bottle we were excited to say the least. Happily, these wines are well worthy of their starred appellations. Prior to

2010, most of the wines were sold to négociants. Winemaker Thomas Colladot uses a 9-day cold soaking prior to fermentation of 20 to 24 days. The wines have astonishing purity of fruit and fine tannins, both given added weight from the natural concentration provided by old vines. Many of the Grand Crus were planted between the 1920's and 1960's.

*With the vineyard prices going berserk in Burgundy it's quite crucial to have top vineyards, and Domaine Coquard-Loison-Fleurot have Grand Crus almost in abundance ... with holdings in Grands Echézeaux, Echézeaux, Clos de Vougeot, Clos St. Denis, Clos de la Roche, Charmes Chambertin. A rather unique collection – and great to see a talent like Thomas Colladot unfold these terroirs.*

Steen Öhman, [www.winehog.com](http://www.winehog.com)

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| <b>Bourgogne rouge</b> | <b>2018</b> | <b>18.00</b> |
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| <b>Gevrey Chambertin</b> | <b>2015</b> | <b>38.00</b> |
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| <b>Gevrey Chambertin</b> | <b>2014</b> | <b>36.00</b> |
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*A blend of three sites. Champerrier and En Songe, to the north of the village, bring freshness and finesse while Vignes Belles, below the Grand Crus, brings structure.*

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| <b>Morey St Denis</b> | <b>2018</b> | <b>36.50</b> |
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| <b>Morey St Denis</b> | <b>2017</b> | <b>34.50</b> |
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*A blend of Clos Salon and En Seuvrey.*

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| <b>Chambolle Musigny</b> | <b>2016</b> | <b>44.00</b> |
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*40% whole bunch.*

We hold stock of Grand Cru and older vintages so please do enquire what may be available.

Burgundy: Côte de Nuits

**DOMAINE SYLVAIN CATHIARD**

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**Vosne-Romanée**  
Organic Uncertified

Since 2011, Sylvain's son, Sebastian, now runs the Domaine. He has built on his father's work and taken the domaine's reputation to the very highest level; the wines are increasingly hard to buy on release. Sebastian has built a new cellar and winery (the last time I was there he proudly showed us the mould beginning to grow on the

walls. A healthy cave should have mould!), he has further reduced the percentage of new oak, and as ever is utterly dedicated to harvesting the finest quality grapes from his four-hectare Domaine. Don't overlook the Nuits wines, they are very fine.

**We have shipped from the Cathiard's Family for over 40 years.**  
**Most of our stock is sold EP however we have the largest range of back vintages, from Sebastien's Bourgogne Rouge, three villages wines, and all his Premier Crus in Vosne-Romanée and Nuits.**

**Please enquire what may be available.**

**Coteaux Bourguignons La Croix Blanches**

A 10 hectares Pinot Noir site mostly on clay.

**Bourgogne Rouge**

3 parcels. One on the Vosne Vougeot border, two between Vosne and Nuits-St-George.

**Bourgogne Hautes-Côtes de Nuits Aux Chaumes**

From 35-40 year old vines on the plateau above Nuits-St-Georges. The soil is mainly clay.

**Bourgogne Hautes-Côtes de Nuits Les Dames Huguette**

Just below the Antenna above Nuits-St-George, for those who have been. On the slope, at about 350ms, thin soil over limestone.

**Vosne-Romanée**

**Gevrey-Chambertin**

New wine – mostly from Champ Franc below the D974

**Nuits-St-Georges**

**Chambolle Musigny Clos de L'Orme**

**Nuits St Georges 1er Cru aux Thorey**

**Nuits St Georges 1er Cru Aux Murgers**

**Vosne-Romanée 1er Cru Reignots**

**Vosne-Romanée 1er Cru Orveaux**

**Vosne-Romanée 1er Cru Aux Malconsorts**

Burgundy: Côte de Beaune

**DOMAINE DUBREUIL FONTAINE**

**Pernand Vergelesses**

Lutte Raisonnée

**T**his family domaine was established in 1879, and its 20 hectares cover holdings in 6 villages of the Côte de Beaune, including a Monopole within Pernand Vergelesses. The domaine is now run by Christine Gruère-

Dubreuil, one of the leading female winemakers in the Cote D'Or. Her wines are fine-boned, elegant, and delightfully old fashioned and non-interventionist.

White

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| <b>Pernand Vergelesses 1er Cru Sous-Frétille</b>           | <b>2016</b> | <b>27.70</b> |
| <b>Pernand Vergelesses 1er Cru 'Clos Berthet' Monopole</b> | <b>2016</b> | <b>30.95</b> |

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| <b>Corton Charlemagne Grand Cru</b> | <b>2016</b> | <b>74.50</b> |
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*From two plots, one 60 years old, the other 40, on the Pernand side of the hill in the en Charlemagne sector.*

Red

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| <b>Pernand Vergelesses</b>                            | <b>2018</b> | <b>21.60</b> |
| <b>Pernand Vergelesses 1er Cru Ile de Vergelesses</b> | <b>2016</b> | <b>29.95</b> |

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| <b>Volnay</b> | <b>2016</b> | <b>29.95</b> |
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*50% 1er Cru grapes here, from Les Luret. Refined, cool and airy red fruits with round, fine tannins, concentrated but light on its feet. Super wine and one can sense the fruit quality in its purity and expression. Great value for the quality.*

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| <b>Pommard</b>                 | <b>2015</b> | <b>29.95</b> |
| <b>Pommard 1er Cru Epenots</b> | <b>2016</b> | <b>43.95</b> |

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| <b>Corton Bressandes Grand Cru</b> | <b>2016</b> | <b>49.00</b> |
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| <b>Corton Clos du Roi, Grand Cru</b> | <b>2015</b> | <b>50.00</b> |
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*Christine's Clos du Roi is the opposite of masculine, burly Corton. The structure is here but the fruit balances the grip and fans back out on the finish leaving one with a sense of cherry stone and raspberry. A fine, regal, wine.*

**DOMAINE JOSEPH VOILLLOT**

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Volnay  
Lutte Raisonnée

**V**olnay was the only renowned Cote D'Or village under-represented on our list. For some time we had been keeping a weather eye on an opportunity to work with a gifted grower from the village.

During our recent trip we lunched one day at the Cellier Volnaysien in the heart of the village. We ordered a bottle of Domaine Joseph Voillot's 2017 Volnay – a domaine Robert has worked with in the 1980s. It was notably balanced, elegant, and expressive of the village terroir.

Clearly the Domaine was on top form. On the off-chance we knocked on the cellar door two down from the restaurant. Joseph's grandson, Etienne Chaix, happened to be in and kindly dropped everything to lead us through a tasting of his cask sample 2019's. His meticulous background notes on each parcel, detailing the age of the vines, surface area, and soil type suggested a young man totally focused on making wines which reflect the individual character of each. They did not disappoint and we are delighted to rekindle the relationship.

**Volnay Vieilles Vignes**

**2019**

**30.65**

*From six parcels, with plantings from 1930-1982. 10% new oak. Lifted cool red cherry, while the palate is structured with fine, slightly dry tannins backing up the fruit. Fleshy, but it doesn't entirely hide the bones, and there's a nice complexity on the finish, with dark red cherry, dried herbs, and a little spice.*

**Volnay 1er Cru les Fremiets**

**2019**

**49.50**

*Mid-slope vineyard with red clay over the limestone rock. Vines planted between 1932-1978. This is good, tight and refined, quite layered and detailed, certainly plenty of freshness alongside stone fruit, cherry and wood smoke. Tannins are fine grained, but add presence, and this holds its shape into a long finish.*

**Volnay 1er Cru Champans**

**2019**

**49.50**

*Jasper Morris mentions this is a vineyard first recorded in 1252 and a site which is quintessentially Volnay\*\*. Very stony, free draining soil in this climat below the village, where the Voillot vines average 66 years old. Very good fruit which certainly shows the Volnay lift, although quite rich too. Dark, almost exotic fruit isn't at all overcooked, minerality underpins the ripeness. Structured, serious, will need a decade or more to shine.*

Burgundy: Côte de Beaune

**DOMAINE BUISSON-BATTAULT**

Meursault  
Lutte Raisonnée

**F**rancois Buisson's reputation continues to grow as one of the finest exponents of the Appellation. The domaine has many old vines planted by Francois' Grandfather and enviable plots in some of the village's best vineyards. The sense of pride in the family history is palpable here; Francois showed us a bottle of Pommard 1919, made by his great grandfather, he planned to open at this year's Paulée. His wines are characterized by purity of fruit and high-toned minerality, developing lovely length and expression of 'terroir'. They balance Meursault's

classic richness with taut, zippy acidity and a poised minerality. The wines are fermented and go through Malo in oak, only 20% of which is new. Francois likes to keep the wines in barrique for the first year, then move them to tank. He carries out no bâtonnage in barrique but pumps the fine lees into tank as well as the wine. By gently keeping these in suspension he gets a similar effect to a very gentle bâtonnage and believes the wines add depth and richness during this time.

**Bourgogne Aligoté** **\*NEW VINTAGE\*** **2018** **10.95**

*Serious stuff, vines planted in 1935 and 1977, hand harvested and given a full year in old oak barrels.*

**Meursault 'Limozin'** **2017** **29.95**

*The Lieu-Dit Limozin lies below Genevrières and takes its name from an old stream. The oldest Buisson-Battaault vines were planted in 1928, the youngest in 1986. In Francois' hands they produce a fine, mineral wine, its weight balanced by tense energy.*

**Meursault 1er Cru Charmes** **2016** **39.50**

**Meursault 1er Cru Charmes** **2017** **41.50**

*As the name suggests, a vineyard giving charming wines. No blowsiness or corpulence here though, plenty of ripe stone fruit and hazelnut on the attack leads to a fleshy mid-palate supported by a firm spine of mineral acidity.*

**Meursault 1er Cru Goutte D'Or** **2017** **46.00**

**Meursault 1er Cru Goutte D'Or** **2016** **44.50**

**Meursault 1er Cru Poruzots** **2017** **46.50**

**Meursault 1er Cru Genevrières** **2016** **46.50**

**Puligny Montrachet 'Les Charmes'** **2016** **31.95**

**Puligny Montrachet 'Les Charmes'** **2017** **32.50**

Red

**Pommard** **2016** **27.95**

*From the Lieu-Dit Les Combe; the oldest vines were planted in 1967.*

**DOMAINE RODOLPHE DEMOUGEOT**

**Meursault**

Lutte Raisonnée

**R**odolphe is a great friend of Francois Buisson, which is how we came to know this domaine. Although based in Meursault it is his reds which caught our imagination. They are perfumed and pure, with clearly defined fruit and structure. I wish there were a single word for ‘perfume in the mouth’, the beguiling sense of fruit and flowers which seems to rise from the throat upon swallowing. Of course, this is part of a wines finish, but in some cases, Rodolphe’s being one, this is accentuated until it almost becomes a different sensation. Rodolphe has built his domaine from the small operation he inherited from his grandparents into the 8ha he has today, spread over Pommard, Beaune, and Auxey-Duresses. He uses no chemicals in the vineyard,

follows aspects of the biodynamic calander and green harvests early in the season to reduce yields in the pursuit of quality over quantity. He uses a horse to plough in many of his plots. He is beginning to build his reputation so do buy these while they remain such good value!

These are silky wines combining sumptuous, perfumed fruit with a fine grain of tannin. On a recent visit Rodolphe opened a Pommard ‘Vignots’ 2005 for us, it was drinking beautifully, not at all old, but beginning to show its complexity and depth. Still lots of primary fruit, lots more to come, really shows what these wines are capable of when well cellared.

White

**Beaune Clos Saint Desire 2017 25.00**

Red

**Bourgogne Côtes d'Or Vieilles Vignes 2019 16.40**

**Bourgogne Hautes Cotes De Beaune 2018 16.40**

**Savigny Les Beaune, Les Bourgeots 2015 21.95**

**Savigny Les Beaune, 1er Cru les Peuillets 2017 29.95**

**Monthélie, La Combe Danay 2017 21.95**

*Very interesting to taste the Savigny ‘les Bourgeots’ and Monthélie ‘La Combe Danay’ beside each other, the Savigny is light and filigree, Aerian, the Monthélie richer, earthier, Terrean.*

**Pommard 2015 29.95**

**Pommard ‘Vignots’ 2016 37.50**

**2017 37.50**

*From a south facing site looking at Volnay and Meursault, 35-40-year-old vines which Rodolphe says sit in a slight hollow, giving shelter from the wind. This is a delicious Pommard, it marries the villages firm structure with a light touch drinkability.*

**Pommard 1er Cru Charmots ‘le Coeur des dames’ 2016 42.00**

Burgundy: Côte de Beaune

**DOMAINE MICHEL CAILLOT**

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**Meursault**

Lutte Raisonnée

Caillot's wines age particularly well thanks to an unusually long 'élevage' at low temperatures, the first year in cask and the second in tank. His cellars are deep and cold, which prolongs fermentation, rarely finishing before the April after harvest, while the Malolactic might take another year to complete its work. Whole clusters and wild yeasts are the norm here; the wines are moved mainly by gravity and racked just once between fermentation and bottling with no filtration. The top 1er and Grand Crus see 50-70% new oak, the other wines 10-25%. The oak

is carefully managed, it remains in the background supporting rather than masking the flavours of each vineyard. These are singular, expressive wines which show a different side to white Burgundy. They are full-flavoured, have ample texture, and good underlying acidity. The 2012's and 2013's are drinking well now but will continue to develop. We recently opened a bottle of his 1996 Santenay Blanc, a marvellous, textured, wine that was drinking well at 22 years old.

**We are in the process to ship Michael Caillot's late vintage release of it's 2015 whites .**

Reds

**Bourgogne Rouge**

**2015**

**13.70**

Burgundy: Côte de Beaune

**DOMAINE PAUL PERNOT**

**Puligny Montrachet**  
Lutte Raisonnée

**P**aul Pernot has run this domaine, one of Puligny's best, since the 1950s, now assisted by his two sons and his grandchildren. They have 20ha, 15 in Puligny, including several fine 1er cru and two grand cru. Wine making remains traditional, new oak is kept to 20-30% for 1er crus, 40-50% for the grand cru and *bâtonnage* is minimal, with none post the malolactic fermentation. These aren't flashy wines, their peach and white flower fruit is balanced by cool, chalky minerality and racy succulence; they are the epitome of Puligny. The Pernot holdings,

some of which have been in the family for over two hundred years, are a veritable who's who of Puligny's best terroir. The domaines youngest vines, in some village sites, are 20 years old. Most of the 1er and Grand Cru were planted by Paul between 1957 and 1961 and pre-date modern clones. No herbicides are used anymore and the approach of 'Lutte Raisonnée' is followed. Wine making is simple, after pressing the juice settles for 24 hours and is then racked into barrel for fermentation. The wines are racked once more before bottling with a light filtration.

*"It's always a treat to compare Pernot's two grand crus: the Bienvenue can be sexy and appealing early on, but the richer, brooding, more backward Bâtard often makes the more impressive bottle in the long run."*

Stephen Tanzer, IWC, Sept/Oct 2000

White

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| <b>Bourgogne Blanc</b>                                    | <b>2016</b> | <b>16.50</b>  |
| <b>Puligny-Montrachet</b>                                 | <b>2018</b> | <b>36.95</b>  |
| <b>Puligny-Montrachet 1er Cru le Clos des Foliatières</b> | <b>2016</b> | <b>54.00</b>  |
| <b>Puligny-Montrachet 1er Cru le Clos des Foliatières</b> | <b>2017</b> | <b>58.00</b>  |
| <b>Puligny-Montrachet 1er Cru Les Pucelles</b>            | <b>2017</b> | <b>83.95</b>  |
| <b>Puligny-Montrachet 1er Cru Les Pucelles</b>            | <b>2018</b> | <b>89.50</b>  |
| <b>Meursault-Blagny 1er Cru La Piece Sous le Bois</b>     | <b>2017</b> | <b>48.50</b>  |
| <b>Bienvenue-Bâtard-Montrachet Grand cru</b>              | <b>2017</b> | <b>172.00</b> |
| <b>Bâtard-Montrachet Grand cru</b>                        | <b>2016</b> | <b>197.00</b> |

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| <b>Beaune 'Clos de Dessus des Marconnets'</b> | <b>2017</b> | <b>24.50</b> |
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*A small walled vineyard, a monopole of the domaine, sitting on the slopes to the north of Beaune. It gives an elegant, finely structured wine with lots of Pinot spice.*



**DOMAINE CHOLET-PELLETIER**

**Puligny-Montrachet**

Lutte Raisonnée

**F**lorence Cholet has recently returned to take over the domaine that has been her family's for four generations. Widely travelled, she has worked across France, the US and Australia, Florence is an ambitious and intelligent wine maker. The domaine no longer uses pesticides or herbicides, the vineyards are ploughed and since 2017 fermentations have used wild yeasts and the wines have been bottled with only a light

filtration. New oak is used sparingly at a maximum of 15%. The wines show good texture and tension, balancing Puligny's drive with succulent fruit. Her Enseignères bottling, from 80-year-old vines below Bâtard-Montrachet combines zippy acidity and peachy fruit with a deep saline structure; we don't have much so make sure to get some while you can.

White

**Puligny Montrachet**

**2018**

**29.95**

*The domaine has 1ha of vines divided between Les Enseignères, Les Levrons and La Rouselle. 15% new oak.*

**Puligny Montrachet les Enseignères**

**2017**

**36.00**

**Puligny Montrachet les Enseignères**

**2018**

**37.00**

*80-year-old vines planted just below Bâtard-Montrachet.*

Red

**St Romain Rouge**

**2018**

**19.95**

Burgundy: Côte de Beaune

**DOMAINE MICHEL NIELLON**

**Chassagne-Montrachet**

Lutte Raisonnée

The name of Niellon is one of the most established in Chassagne. Michel joined his father Marcel in the 1950s and began to bottle all of their wines in the '60s. They soon built a reputation as one of Chassagne's finest domaines, growing from the original 4ha to today's 7.5ha holdings. The wines are now made by Michel's son-in-law, Michel Coutoux, who continue to uphold the domaine's reputation for the highest quality. No herbicides are used, ploughing is carried out to control weeds and a 'lutte raisonnée' approach is followed to combat

mildew and other vineyard maladies. Picking is early, they want to retain acidity and freshness in the grapes. Fermentations take place in stainless steel before the wines are transferred to barrique, 20-30% new, for malolactic fermentation and ageing. Robert's first ever ex-cellar purchase of Burgundy was here, five dozen Chassagne village in 1981 and we have worked with the domaine continuously since; with Michel's Grandson Mathieu Bresson now joining the team and quality rising ever higher we look forward to the next 37 years!

White

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| <b>Chassagne Montrachet Blanc</b> | <b>2018</b> | <b>34.00</b> |
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| <b>Chassagne Montrachet 1er Cru Clos St Jean</b> | <b>2018</b> | <b>45.00</b> |
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| <b>Chassagne Montrachet 1er Cru Vergers</b> | <b>2018</b> | <b>45.00</b> |
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*Exclusive to Robert Rolls in the UK, Vergers is a terrific vineyard, situated mid slope with lots of limestone amongst the shallow clay. It gives wines with good body but steely, mineral acidity. It does particularly well in warm vintages, both the 2014 and 2015 are fantastic.*

Red

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| <b>Chassagne Montrachet Rouge</b> | <b>2018</b> | <b>19.95</b> |
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| <b>Chassagne 1er Cru Maltroie Rouge</b> | <b>2017</b> | <b>29.95</b> |
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**DOMAINE SYLVAIN LANGOUREAU**

**Saint Aubin**  
Organic

We have been working with Langoureau for five years now and their range has proved very popular, combining ripe balanced fruit with quality Cote D'Or Chardonnay. Sylvain has been in charge since 1989, working closely with his wife Nathalie. Together they have quietly built the reputation of the domaine, producing terroir focussed lively whites from some of St Aubin's best sites. The domaine also owns vineyards in Chassagne and Puligny and produce an excellent Aligoté.

Now fully organic, the domaine is worked by hand, vines are pruned to give low yields and grass grows between the rows. In the winery fermentations occur with natural yeasts and new oak is used sparingly. Sylvain and Nathalie want to clearly transmit their various climats, free from invasive flavours. Absolutely a domaine to watch as St Aubin continues to prove a happy hunting ground for top quality white burgundy at drinkable prices.

**Saint Aubin** **2017** **17.95**

**Saint Aubin 1er Cru Derrière Chez Edouard** **2017** **22.95**

**Saint Aubin 1er Cru En Remilly** **2018** **23.50**

*One of St Aubin's finest vineyards, 'around the corner' from the Montrachet grand crus, excellent aspect and slope and very little topsoil, 80% limestone.*

**Chassagne Montrachet Les Perclos** **2017** **27.95**

**Chassagne Montrachet Les Houillères** **2017** **29.95**

**Puligny Montrachet 1er Cru Garenne** **2017** **38.00**

*Just 20% new oak here. A high slope vineyard with poor soils known for racy wines, La Garenne seems to be coming into its own with warmer harvests. Very classic nose of white peach and blossom. Taut and nicely bound, super concentration, weightless and effortless as it flows across the palate. Peachy fruit, a suggestion of creaminess, before the tense drive reasserts itself and finishes with a fine mineral line. Excellent value, this is a classic Puligny.*

**DOMAINE TUPINIER-BAUTISTA**

**Mercurey**

Lutte Raisonnée

The domaine has recently moved from cramped old cellars in the village to a beautiful modern winery surrounded by vines. The extra space and modern facilities have seen the wines gain in precision, purity and freshness. Tupinier-Bautista are now amongst the finest domaines in Mercurey – it is a real pleasure to be working with Manu and his family. Everything is hand harvested, and the grapes are destemmed

before a 15 day fermentation. The village and 1er Crus see a year in barrel. His wines are delicious, richly fruited and exuberant with fine structure and plenty of energy, they drink at 3-5 years but continue to improve in the cellar for longer. The 1er Cru Vellées shows an extra tautness and finesse from the old vines and limestone soil, it is cool and fresh despite 2018s warmth.

**“Manu Bautista is making some of the most expressive, complex, age worthy reds in the Côte Chalonnaise right now.”**

Tim Atkin, Decanter, January 2020

**Bourgogne Rouge**

**2018**

**12.95**

*100% in barrel, but no new wood, for ten months before blending then two months in vat before bottling. Ripe yet savoury raspberry and black cherry fruit, good concentration and fine tannins. Pleasingly rustic, lots of extract and presence for a Bourgogne and a sappy freshness on the finish. Great value. 2020+*

**Mercurey Vieilles Vignes**

**2018**

**18.75**

*A single plot of 50 year old vines growing on a south east facing slope. Perfumed dark cherry and a touch of mint. Mouth filling attack, layers of sweet dark fruit, good freshness and shape, quite taut, a sense of sap in the grippy structure. Lots of exuberant potential here. 2022+*

*“This is only a village red, albeit it one from 35 to 50-year-old vines, but it's wonderfully crunchy, fresh and elegant, showing racy acidity, bright black cherry and raspberry fruit and a sheen of 20% new wood. Fantastic value. Drinking Window 2022 – 2028”*

Tim Atkin MW, 92/100, Decanter January 2020

**Mercurey Clos des Touches**

**2018**

**22.50**

*Cassis and mulberry, utterly delicious nose. Cool yet ripe dark fruit, pure, pleasing, with fine structure and a charcoal note on the finish. This will drink well young on its fruit, just lovely. 2021+*

**Mercurey 1er Cru Les Vellées Vieilles Vignes**

**2018**

**26.95**

*30-40 year old vines growing on a south facing slope which Manu says has very good limestone underneath. Dark red fruits, almost liquor like, with delicate floral notes as well. Less open than the Clos des Touches, finer and tighter, grippy little tannins and a cherry stone finish of considerable length.*

**DOMAINE GILES MORAT**

**Vergisson**  
Organic

**B**ased in Vergisson, the highest village in the appellation, Domaine Morat produce wines which combine Pouilly-Fuissé's ripe, sun kissed fruit with a modern directness and freshness. It is the altitude at which their vineyards sit which gives their wines their cut, as well as the Morat's meticulous approach to viticulture; as Joëlle said, 'There are no good cooks with bad ingredients'. Morat own 6ha of vineyards, 1.5 in St Veran, the rest, divided into 17 parcels, are in Pouilly Fuissé. Not surprisingly for people so dedicated to their terroir, the domaine has been certified organic

since 2001. Grass and wildflowers grow in the vines, the rows are ploughed when needed. All the vineyard work is done by hand, the domaine's small size means that everything can be completed with exacting precision. In the winery fermentations happen in vat or barrel and use natural yeasts. Very little is done, intervention is kept to a minimum, new oak used sparingly, to allow each terroir to show its full potential.

**Saint-Veran**

**2019**

**15.25**

*Several south facing plots, on poor limestone soils, planted 1959-1983, at an average altitude of 300ms. Fermented and aged on its lees in stainless steel to give a refreshing, fruit forward wine which drinks well from the word go. Bottled in April after the harvest. The 2018 shows crisply energetic apple and apricot fruit, nice bite and tension and finishes with a twist of lime.*

**Pouilly-Fuissé Terres du Menhir**

**2018**

**18.45**

*Fans of Asterix will know what the name means. For those Tin Tin readers among you a Menhir is an ancient standing stone, one of which has been found in these vineyards. A selection of plots from around Vergisson between 300-350 m's altitude, from vines of a minimum of 25 years old. Fermented and aged in 60% Vat and 40% barrel, none of which are new. A textbook Pouilly-Fuissé, with its nose of Apricot, citrus and stone fruit leading to a well concentrated palate supported by zippy acids.*

**Pouilly-Fuissé Aux Vignes Dessus**

**2018**

**20.50**

*Sitting at the top of a south facing slope these vines, planted in 1981, grow on Triassic Clay, a very ancient soil type that pre-dates the limestone which now covers most of it. Rich in magnesium, it is unique to Pouilly-Fuissé and, Joëlle says, is highly valued both for its drought and rot resisting properties as well as for the freshness and minerality they feel it brings to the wines. Fermented in barrels, of which only 15% are new. One can certainly imagine the clays in the wines sun kissed yet restrained flavours.*

**Pouilly-Fuissé Sur la Roche**

**2018**

**22.85**

*A candidate for 1er Cru when the vineyards are reclassified next year, and perhaps the best vineyard in Pouilly-Fuissé, Sur La Roche covers 17ha and is shared between several growers. Domaine Morat has a great parcel, right at the top of the slope where the high-quality clay barely covers the limestone beneath. Vines planted between 1967 and 1978 with roots deep in the bed rock. 100% in oak, 15% new. Bottled after 11 months on its lees. With its seamless palate and breezy acidity this wine put me in mind of bright sunshine on a cold spring day, it contrasts the warm site and the cool rock below. Finishes with a burst of pink grapefruit.*

**DOMAINE GUERRIN**

**Vergisson**

Lutte Raisonnée

**G**uerrin are noted for their exceptional sites within Pouilly-Fuissé. Located between the Roc de Vergisson and Roc de Solutre, the climate here, south of the Cote d'Or is a warmer and sunnier and can give blowsy wines. The quality factor at Domaine Guerrin is their holdings. Several of their plots benefit from relative altitude (up to 400m) and rocky limestone soils which add minerality and

structure to firm ripe fruit flavours. The Domaine also makes an excellent single vineyard St Veran. Son Bastien is now at the domaine full time and taking over from his father. He is working with natural yeast fermentations, and cutting back new oak, while extending elevage. These developments seem to be bearing fruit with a series of successful vintages. The future looks bright at Domaine Guerrin

**Mâcon-Vergisson Les Rochers**

**2019**

**12.45**

*A super Macon! 35 year old vines growing in two sites. Sur la Roche (confusingly!) has loose scree over limestone, while En Bille Folland, produces a broader wine from its deeper clay. The two sites blend well to produce a wine with steely, crunchy acidity and creamy, generous mid palate weight. Just lovely in 2019. Exceptional wine for the price.*

**Saint-Véran Clos Vessat**

**2018**

**12.95**

*2 hectares of vines in the commune of Leynes, growing at around 200ms. A vineyard facing south south-west, which ripens early. The clay is deep here and the site gives a wine with a lifted, floral and blossom scented nose and deep, ripe fruit with sun kissed Mâconnais style.*

**Pouilly-Fuissé Vieilles Vignes**

**2016**

**15.75**

*Produced from several different plots of vines, 45 years old or more. All the plots sit on the classic clay-limestone soils of Vergisson.*

**DOMAINE TERRE DOREES JEAN-PAUL BRUN**

**Charnay**  
Organic

**E**arly in his career Jean-Paul rejected the industrial approach to wine making which was taking over Beaujolais and began making wine in ways his ancestors would have recognised. He began using only indigenous yeasts, eschewing 71B, the designer yeast popular in the region which is responsible for the banana and candy aromas found in so much mass-produced Beaujolais. He stopped automatically chaptalizing his wines and began to concentrate on drawing out the characters of each individual site. He totally de-stems the grapes from his Crus before fermentation and vinification begins with

a light cold soaking followed by maceration for 10-12 days. Elevage is partly in tank, partly in barrel, depending on the wine and the nature of each vintage. In other words, more Côte D'Or than traditional Beaujolais. The results are Beaujolais of unusual density, but which are also beautifully poised, fresh and elegant and which reflect with great clarity the subtle soil differences and age of vines of each Cru. Parcel selection is key. The domaine owns old vine plots on the local limestone rich clays as well as vineyards on the granite of Moulin-a-Vent and Fleurie.

White

**Terres Dorées Beaujolais Blanc Classic**

**2019**

**12.35**

*From a plot of 80-year-old vines grown on Charnay's distinctive clay and limestone soils. Fermented and aged in stainless steel this is a beautiful racy wine with citrus and stone fruits.*

**Terres Dorées Roussanne**

**2019**

**12.85**

*Unusual to find this grape so far north but Jean-Paul is onto something. In the cooler climate of Charnay, however, it gives a more delicate wine with lovely floral aromatics. This combines peachy apricot fruit with citrus freshness and notes of elderflower and honeysuckle. Unusually delicious wine.*

Red

**Beaujolais le Ronsay**

**2019**

**9.80**

*Compared to l'Ancien this is lighter, with juicy berry fruits, thirst quenching acidity and a wonderful sense of joie de vivre- classic Beaujolais in other words! This is going to be a hit of summer 2021.*

**Beaujolais l'Ancien**

**2018**

**12.25**

*Produced from old vines grown on clay and granite this wine is synonymous with Jean-Paul's domaine. Hand harvested and vinified with great care before ageing in old wood and cement. Outstanding value.*

**St Amour**

**2017**

**14.75**

*The most northerly Beaujolais Cru with complex soils that mix granite, clay and limestone, known for lighter, ethereal wines. Jean-Paul says wines from granite, like his, have more structure and can age well while still retaining their elegant, red fruit and peach perfumed character.*

**Morgon Côte du Py - Javernières**

**2017**

**15.75**

*If the Côte du Py is known as Morgon's finest site, locally they go further: Javernières is the finest part of the Côte du Py! The soil here is a mix of clays which sit in a thin layer over pure granite. Jean-Paul's vines were planted in the 1950s, their roots now deep in this complex terroir*

**Fleurie Grille Midi**

**2018**

**18.95**

*A south facing slope which can get warm, yet its poor granite soils and cooling winds always seem to retain freshness. A structured, refined wine with delicate floral perfume and wonderfully pure red fruits.*

**Moulin à Vent La Rochelle**

**2018**

**19.95**

*La Rochelle sits at around 260-300ms and its poor shallow soils over granite give wines which are structured and age worthy.*

**DOMAINE DELAPORTE****Chavignol**

## Lutte Raisonnée

**D**elaporte are based in Chavignol, a village at the heart of Sancerre, and the only village in France to enjoy AOC status for both wine and cheese. Although the domaine has been in family hands since the 17th century and were the first Sancerre producer to export to the USA, Delaporte made their name for producing some of the area's finest wines due mainly to the hard work of Vincent, Matthieu's grandfather. Matthieu, just 22 years old, took over from his father, Jean-Yves, in 2010 and has set about driving the wines to new heights. He is an

energetic and restless young man, utterly committed to the quality of the domaine. In 2011 he convinced his retiring uncle to sell them his 10ha, and Delaporte now own 33ha in including old vines in both Mont Damnes and the Cul du Beaujeu, the village's two most famous vineyards. These sites tower above the village, it is hard to appreciate just how steep they are; in parts positively Mosel-esque. Delaporte's vines cover all the major soil types of Sancerre, from flint, 'Silex', to limestone pebbles, 'Caillottes', and the famous Kimmeridgian marl.

## White

**Sancerre Blanc****2020****15.95**

*Produced from 28 separate plots grown mostly on Caillottes, small chunks of Oxfordian limestone, as well as the classic flint soil, 'Silex'. Fermented and aged in stainless steel, bottled by gravity with no filtration. An archetypal Sancerre.*

**Sancerre Blanc Cuvée Silex****2019****19.95****Sancerre Blanc Monts Damnés****2017****24.00**

*This south facing, steeply sloped hillside of pure Kimmeridgian marl is perhaps Chavignol's most famous site, giving concentrated chalky wines that blossom with age, losing Sauvignons distinctive primary character and becoming complex, succulent treasures.*

## Red

**Sancerre Rouge****2019****15.50****Sancerre Rouge Silex****2018****19.65****Sancerre Rouge Cul de Beaujeu****2017****22.95**

*The Cul de Beaujeu rises steeply above the village of Chavignol. Alongside the larger Monts Damnes, 45ha to the Cul's 15, it is one of Sancerre's finest sites. The soil is red Kimmeridgian Marl, so dense with Oyster shells you can hardly see the clay. When you find oyster shells atop a hill hundreds of miles away from the sea you know something geologically interesting has taken place. Matthieu believes this rich red clay flecked with limestone and combined with the site's altitude is ideal for Pinot Noir; the Delaporte vines sit right at the very top of the slope and their bottling of Cul de Beaujeu is the only red wine produced from this site. Aged in barrel and made with no additions of sulphur until a little is added just before bottling, for me this wine represents the quality of what Matthieu has done here. It is wonderfully focussed, pure and fresh, with that combination of power and richness without weight, that so bewitches about Pinot Noir.*



Loire Valley

**DOMAINE DANIEL REVERDY & FILS**

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**Chaudenay**  
Lutte Raisonnée

Based in the pretty village of Chaudenay, around 5kms from Sancerre, the Reverdy's are known for producing utterly classic whites from their Kimmeridge soils. Daniel Reverdy began working with his father in the late 1970s, but it wasn't until the early 2000s that the domaine began selling its wine under its own name. During

this period Daniel had completely replanted the family's vineyards. Since domaine bottling began Daniel, now joined by his son Cyrille, has rebuilt the winery and invested in more land. The domaine now covers around 9.5ha and sells 90% of its wine under its own name.

**Sancerre**

**2017**

**14.50**

*The Sancerre 2017 is grown on chalky white soils with patches of silex, the local flint. The vines are now around 25 years old. In the winery the juice is treated as gently as possible to protect the delicate aromatics, fermentation takes place in stainless steel and the wine then rests on its lees for six months with occasional battonage.*

**DOMAINE DE L'ERMITAGE & ANTOINE DE LA FARGE**

**Menetou Salon**  
Lutte Raisonnée

This small domaine in the heart of Menetou-Salon was created in 2003 by Laurence and Géraud de Farge, since joined by their son Antoine. Laurence's father Bernard was involved in setting up the Menetou-Salon appellation in 1959 and her passion for this land is obvious. With just 10 hectares of vines they know every inch of their vineyards and harvest by hand, unusual in these parts. The soils, like Sancerre, are limestone and clay, ideally suited to both

Sauvignon Blanc, which makes up 80% of their vines, and Pinot Noir. Yields and quality are controlled by de-budding and careful sorting prior to vinification. Antoine has created a range of wines under his own name using fruit purchased from longstanding contacts and family friends around the eastern Loire region. These are textbook examples of their appellation – made to the same exacting standards as the domaine wines.

**Domaine de L'Ermitage wines**

White

**Menetou Salon Blanc**

**2019**

**12.70**

*Grown on Kimmeridgian clay, the soil which gives the Loire Valleys best Sauvignons. Hand harvested before a strict sorting at the winery. Fermented using wild yeasts and aged on the fine lees in stainless steel before bottling. Such a classic nose, citrus and green fruits with a hint of orange. Harmonious in the mouth, the fresh acidity well balanced by white fruits and carried nicely by its texture. A complex mix of tropical and citrus fruits on the finish makes this so refreshing.*

**Antoine de La Farge wines**

Antoine makes this brilliant range of wines from fruit bought from friends and family. They are seriously drinkable and offer great value.

White

**L'Enfant Rebelle Sauvignon Blanc VdF**

**2019**

**9.40**

*Classic Loire Sauvignon. The rich nose shows floral elderflower with notes of green apple and gooseberry. The palate is racy, light and fresh with cool mouth-watering acidity, chalky lime saturated fruit and a tangy, vibrant finish*

**Pouilly-Fumé**

**2019**

**13.50**

*From vines growing in the heart of the region on Kimmeridgian clay and flint. Hand harvested and 100% destemmed before fermentation and ageing for 8 months in stainless steel.*

Rose

**L'Enfant Rebelle Pinot Noir Rose VdF**

**\*NEW WINE\***

**2020**

**9.95**

*Light in colour but packing beautiful concentration, this is crisp and full of mouth-watering red fruits.*

Red

**L'Enfant Rebelle Pinot Noir VdF**

**2020**

**9.95**

*Made to show the character of Pinot Noir grown on the area's limestone rich soils, which give the wines a lightness and freshness which is ideal for summer drinking. Antoine makes this with as little intervention as possible, including bottling straight from the tank with very little filtration.*

**CHATEAU DE LA BONNELIERE**

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**Chinon**  
Organic

**M**arc Plouzeau's extended family have owned Château de la Bonnelière since 1846, but it wasn't until his father took over the property in 1979 that it returned completely to its historic purpose: wine. Marc took over in 1999 and continued his father's work, converting the domaine to organic viticulture and buying parcels of land in Chinon's best sites. He produces a large range of wines, white, red rose and sparkling, but

it is his single parcel wines which I found most exciting. Marc grows two varieties, Chenin Blanc in white, Cabernet Franc in red. He farms three basic soil types, doing everything by hand and working entirely organically. Fascinated by his land and the distinct stamp it imparts to his wines, he feels that only by working in this way can one expect to see each site's character.

Whites

**Chinon Rive Gauche Blanc** **2017** **10.95**  
*100% Chenin grown on chalky clay. Great length and intensity, one can feel the chalk in its subtle grip. Good texture, peach and honeysuckle alongside citrus fruit. VG value.*

Reds

**Chinon Les Galets** **2018** **9.95**  
*From vineyards close to the river on alluvial sand rich in pebbles. Aged for six months in tank. A fruity, lighter wine ideal for drinking within its first five years. Les Gallets is delicious chilled.*

**Chinon Clos de la Bonnelière** **2017** **11.95**  
*This parcel surrounds the Château itself. 35-year-old vines planted on clay and limestone, giving elegant, concentrated wines which age well, up to ten years in a good vintage. Aged 12 months in Demi-Muids.*

**Chinon Clos de la Chapelle** **2016** **14.45**  
*50-year-old vines growing on flint, clay and limestone producing wines which combine deep power with fine tannins and complex fruit. Aged for 18 months in Demi-Muid and tank.*

**Chinon Le Clos des Roches St Paul 2015** **2015** **15.95**  
*40-year-old vines in a single 1Ha block known for giving dark fruited, rich and complex wines. No added Sulphur.*

**TERRA VITA VINUM**

**Anjou**

Biodynamic

**T**erra Vita Vinum are based in the heart of the Anjou Noir region, a geologist's dream, with a complex mix of schists, quartz and volcanic rocks ideally suited to viticulture. Each vineyard's unique situation, soil and climate gives its own character; the essence of terroir and central to the philosophy of Terra Vitae Vinum. Biodynamically farmed and mostly made in stainless steel, using natural yeasts and no interventions, these wines are as pure as I can remember tasting.

They produce a fascinating line up. The first white, Grand Soif! (Very Thirsty) 2019, blends Chenin with Chardonnay to add fruit and weight,

it is richly textured yet lively. The Terre de 3 2018 blends Chenin from three sites to produce a taut, mineral wine which is appealingly saline on its finish. The two single vineyard wines are beautifully poised and textured, the Anjou Les Rogieres is richer and complex, the Savennieres Bigottière 2018 is sinewy and focussed, very long and fine. The reds are both from Gamay, which gives a darker, fuller wine here than it does in Beaujolais. The Châteliens is richer, fuller bodied, and shows dark, spicy cherry fruit while the Chant de la Pierre is elegant, showing mineral red fruits and a lifted perfume from a little whole bunch fermentation.

*Whites*

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| <b>Large Soif! Anjou Blanc</b>  | <b>2019</b> | <b>13.75</b> |
| A blend of 80% Chenin Blanc and 20% chardonnay grown on Schist. Fermented and aged for six months in stainless steel.   |             |              |
| <b>Terre de 3 Anjou Blanc</b>   | <b>2018</b> | <b>15.95</b> |
| 100% Chenin Blanc grown on three sites, Rogeries, Grand Vau and Clos des Gabouchons composed of schists, volcanic rhyolites, and quartz. Fermented and aged in stainless steel for 12 months. |             |              |
| <b>Rogieres Anjou Blanc</b>   | <b>2018</b> | <b>18.75</b> |
| 100% Chenin Blanc. The Rogieres vineyard sits on silt and sand over volcanic rock, Rhyolite, and is known for giving complex powerful wines.  |             |              |
| <b>Bigottière Savennières</b>   | <b>2018</b> | <b>27.95</b> |
| 100% Chenin. Lying on the opposite, north, bank of the Loire, the Bigottière vineyard's green shale, sandstone and quartz gives a taut, lean wine that seems packed with energy and potential |             |              |

*Reds*

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| <b>Châteliens Anjou Gamay</b>  | <b>2018</b> | <b>12.60</b> |
| 100% Gamay grown on sandstone and quartz shale. A few whole bunches, stainless steel fermentation and ageing. Lovely sense of unforced nature here, no make-up.  |             |              |
| <b>Chant de la Pierre Anjou Gamay</b>  | <b>2018</b> | <b>15.95</b> |
| Another 100% Gamay wine from the same site, but from the oldest vines. This is produced from a higher proportion of whole bunches which have brought a violet perfume and touch of pepper, it is more refined, less meaty than the Châteliens, showing lifted red fruits and layers of mineral and spice. No new oak used during its nine months maturation, bottled with no filtration. |             |              |

Rhône: North

**DOMAINE BELLE**

**Larnage**

Lutte Raisonnée

**Y**ves Gras of Santa Duc and Philippe Belle are great friends and it was through Yves I was introduced to Domaine Belle. Ironically their wines could not be more different in style. The Belle family can trace their roots in Crozes-Hermitage back almost 250 years. Philippe Belle, current winemaker, is passionate about his land, producing terroir driven, focussed wines from

some of the area's finest sites. He has cut back on new oak, uses indigenous yeast fermentations and is in the process of converting the domaine to organic farming. Philippe's working of his Syrah leaves a suave and measured feel in the mouth, utterly pleasurable in its roundness and depth of tarry fruit.

White

**Crozes Hermitage, 'Les Terres Blanches'** **2016** **16.00**

*70% Marsanne and 30% Roussanne grown on clay and limestone. Rich with a satin texture.*

**Crozes Hermitage Roche Blanche** **2016** **23.60**

*80-year-old Marsanne grown on clay and limestone.*

**Hermitage Blanc** **2015** **42.00**

*60% Marsanne and 40% Roussanne grown on permeable limestone, sand and gravel in Les Murets, one of Hermitage's finest sites for whites.*

Red

**Crozes Hermitage, 'Les Pierrelles'** **2019** **15.95**

*Les Pierrelles comes from terraced vineyards in the communes of Mercurol and Pont d'Isere, where galets roulés, large stones polished by the Rhône, sit on top of red clay soils and give wines of body and intensity. After hand harvesting the grapes are destemmed and fermented with indigenous yeasts.*

**Crozes Hermitage, 'Louis Belle'** **2018** **20.55**

**Crozes Hermitage, 'Roche Pierre'** **2015** **32.00**

*Mostly from the commune of Crozes itself, and grown on granite, this is always a powerful, structured wine. 30% new oak.*

**Saint Joseph, 'Les Rivoires'** **2018** **36.85**

*This site sits on granite and marries power with a surprisingly delicate heart. In good vintages this ages brilliantly, picking up complex notes of iron and game with time in the bottle.*

**Hermitage** **2015** **50.00**

*The Belle Hermitage comes from the limestone, sand and gravel of Les Murets which accounts for its rich seamless character, this isn't the grippy masculine Hermitage that is grown on the granite found further west of the appellation. It drinks well relatively early, when its pure fruit is to the fore, and shows a different side to Syrah grown on this famous hill.*

Rhône: South

**DOMAINE SANTA DUC / FAMILLE GRAS**

**Gigondas**

Domaine Santa Duc: Organic Famille Gras: Lutte Raisonnée

The Gras family have been making wine in Gigondas since at least the 1870s, today the winery is still on the same site. The modern era here really begins in 1985 when Yves took over his family domaine. His first move was to begin the conversion to organic viticulture, one of the earliest domaines in the village to do so. Yves understood that this was the best way to emphasise his beloved terroir and let it speak clearly. He gained plaudits internationally for his wines which, in the words of Robert Parker,

“combined the muscle, richness and fire of a classic Gigondas with a degree of elegance and purity that many wines of this appellation lack.” Yves son Benjamin joined the domaine and is now very much driving things forward, he has been responsible for the conversion to biodynamics and the further emphasis on single vineyard wines. Like his father he believes in minimal intervention, low yields, old vines and working with precision and vigour.

**Famille Gras wines**

White

**Famille Gras Côtes-du-Rhône Blanc Les Grands Calcaires 2018 9.75**  
*40% Grenache Blanc, 20% Clairette, 15% Ugni Blanc, 15% Bourboulenc, 5% Picpoul, 5% Viognier growing on north-facing limestone plots.*

Red

**Famille Gras Vin de Pays de Vaucluse, ‘Les Plans’ 2017 8.40**  
*50% Grenache, 20% Syrah, 15% Merlot, 10% Cabernet, 5% others. This is a terrific wine; it has complexity and depth that belies its price. We drink masses at home, and I often chill it a little which seems to emphasise its freshness.*

**Famille Gras Côtes du Rhône Vieilles Vignes 2017 9.95**  
*60% Old Grenache vines, 20% Syrah, 10% Mourvèdre and 10% Cinsault, Cournoise and Carignan. The quality factor here is the old, 50 year plus, vines and the complex mix of soils upon which they grow. SO2 is kept to a bare minimum during vinification and élevage to emphasise the purity of the fruit.*

**Domaine Santa Duc wines**

**Vacqueyras Les Aubes 2019 16.30**  
*80% Grenache, 20% Syrah growing on a mix of sand and chalk. 90% Stockinger Foudres, 10% Terracotta Amphora.*

**Gigondas Aux Lieux Dits 2016 17.00**

**Gigondas Aux Lieux Dits 2018 19.95**  
*75% Grenache, 10% Syrah, 13% Mourvèdre, 2% Cinsault. Produced from vines with an average age of 40 years growing in 8 separate plots, ‘lieux dits’, covering all of Gigondas’ soil types. In Yves and Benjamin’s hands the result is a classical, complex wine which is full of rich dark fruit and garrigue, with a firm tannic spine and a mineral finesse.*

**Châteauneuf-du-Pape Saintes Vierges 2018 34.95**

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Bordeaux

## CHATEAU LATOUR-MARTILLAC

**Pessac-Léognan**

Lutte Raisonnée

**L**oïc and Tristan Kressmann continue in the tradition of their winemaking family, who have owned Château Latour Martillac since 1929. With oenologist Valérie Vialard in charge of the chai, and advice from some of Bordeaux's top consultant oenologists, the Kressmanns make wines that express the diverse character of the gravelly rise of the Martillac village. The Kressmanns also make a delightful wine from

deeper inside the Graves region, Château Langlet. With a Merlot dominated assemblage it offers a fruitier, more distinctly south-west France feel than its more restrained, yet mighty Cabernet based counterpart from Latour Martillac, and its limited production of white is a secret gem. In their respective classés, Latour Martillac and Langlet are some of the best value Bordeaux to be had.

White

**Latour-Martillac Blanc, Pessac-Léognan**

**2012**

**29.90**

## CHATEAU GRAND VERDUS

**Bordeaux Supérieur**

Certified Sustainable

The le Grix de la Salle family have owned this 16th century Chateau and its vineyards since 1810. Set in rolling hillside country between the Graves and Entre-Deux-Mers regions, the Chateau is around 20 km east of Bordeaux itself.

Before World War II winemaking wasn't a large feature at the estate, but that changed in 1947 with the planting of more land and the passion of Phillippe Grix de la Salle, current winemaker Thomas' grandfather. After stints working abroad, with Robert Mondavi amongst others, more unusual then than now, Thomas' father

Antoine joined the business in 1975. He still works alongside his own sons at the Chateau today.

Grand Verdus boasts a diversity of terroir, from gravel and chalk higher up the slopes, to clay and silt at the bottom, spread throughout its vineyards. This in turn provides good conditions for a number of grapes and in turn adds to the complexity of the wines. From plump, velvety merlot, elegant yet structured Cabernet Sauvignon and rich, floral Cabernet Franc, Thomas blends wines of depth and finesse.

*"Our approach to wine-growing is driven by an overwhelming concern for the environment. We are constantly reviewing our procedures to try to protect our fertile natural environment"*

Antoine Le Grix de la Salle.

Red

**Bordeaux Supérieur Rouge**

**2018**

**8.95**

*70% Merlot, 20% Cabernet Sauvignon, 10% Cabernet franc*

**Bordeaux Supérieur Génération**

**2016**

**12.50**

*55% Cabernet-Franc, 45% Merlot*

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Bordeaux

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**CHATEAU LANGLET**

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**Graves**

Lutte Raisonnée

**T**he Kressmann family acquired this 1 hectare site surrounded by pine forests at the northern edge of the Forêt des Landes. The white is 100% Sauvignon Blanc and barrel fermented

giving it the profile of a good Pessac Leognan, plenty of fresh grapefruit on the nose and an exotic fruit flavour and full texture on the palate.

White

**Château Langlet, Graves**

*100% Sauvignon Blanc*

**2019**

**11.50**

Red

**Château Langlet, Graves**

*85% Merlot, 15% Cabernet Sauvignon*

**2018**

**11.50**

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**SECOND WINES**

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A selection of second wines offering quality and drinkability at favourable prices.

**Les Allées de Cantemerle** (Cantemerle)

Haut-Médoc

**2015**

**17.95**

**Margaux de Brane** (Brane Cantenac)

Margaux

**2016**

**21.00**

**Lacoste-Borie** (Grand-Puy-Lacoste)

Pauillac

**2014**

**26.95**

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**MATURE BORDEAUX**

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Favourite wines for drinking now in bottle

**Hauts Conseillants,**

Lalande de Pomerol

**2015**

**19.95**

**Château la Tour de By**

Haut-Médoc

**2016**

**19.95**

**Château Grand Corbin Manuel**

St Emilion Grand Cru

**2015**

**22.95**

**Château Les Ormes-Sorbet Cru Bourgeois**

Medoc

**2011**

**23.50**

**Château Capbern**

Saint-Estèphe

**2015**

**23.50**

**Château d'Angludet**

Margaux

**2006**

**32.00**

**Château Grand-Puy-Ducasse**

Pauillac

**2009**

**45.50**

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South Western France

**DOMAINE LAPLACE**

**Madiran**

Lutte Raisonnée

Madiran lies in the foothills of the Pyrenees in south west France. The red wines made from the indigenous Tannat grape were known for their dark colours and fierce tannic structure. Modern wine making and better viticulture has seen a revolution here, with wines which emphasise Tannat's dark mulberry fruit and drink well young. A top Madiran, however, such as the Château d'Aydie from Domaine Laplace will develop well over 20 years. The 2011 is just

beginning to open up but will develop beautifully for a decade more. These wines were recently cited by a wine-loving cardiovascular professor from St Bartholomew's Hospital. His research showed that the unique tannic structure of Tannat breaks down cholesterol and helps explain why south west France boasts the lowest incidence of heart disease despite a high fat diet. As one can imagine, these wines make tremendous matches for duck, pork and other rich meats.

White

**Le Villain Petit Canard VdF** **9.20**

*100% grains de Manseng. Super texture and crisp acidity. So refreshing.*

**Pacherenc du Vic Bilh Sec** **2018** **11.70**

*40% Gros Manseng, 60% Petit Manseng grown on south-west facing gravelly slopes. The Manseng grapes deliver fresh acidity with a touch of salinity, alongside exotic fruit flavours. A great seafood choice for those bored of Sauvignon Blanc.*

Rosé

**Les 3 Petit Cochons Rosé VdF** **9.20**

*100% Tannat, pressed in the vineyard to ensure a light colour and elegant body. Pale pink, flavours of strawberry and cranberry, zesty acidity, fresh and delicious.*

Red

**Aydie l'Origine, Madiran AC** **2017** **9.20**

*80% Tannat, 20% Cabernet Franc grown on fine gravel over chalky clays.*

**Les 2 Vaches Rouges VdF** **9.90**

*100% Tannat, made to show the grape's juicy, red fruited and floral personality* **Chateau D'Aydie,**

**Madiran AC** **2011** **21.50**

*100% 35+ year old Tannat grown on the best slopes, with complex clays, limestone and gravel-based soils. Aged for 20 months in oak of various ages and sizes.*

Fortified

**Maydie Rouge, Vin de Liqueur (50cl)** **2016** **14.65**

*100% Tannat. Produced by stopping fermentation by fortification, the Maydie showcases Tannat's sweet, dark fruit and spice flavours and firm tannic structure. It spends 24 months ageing in an old oak tun, before bottling with no filtration. An excellent wine for chocolate-based desserts or Roquefort cheese.*

Languedoc

**CHATEAU PREIGNES LE NEUF**

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**Vias**

Certified Sustainable

**T**he Laserre family own and manage this large estate, a fine source for well made, inexpensive but characterful wines.

The Chateau at Preignes le Neuf is a beautiful classical building sitting in a sea of vines and garrigue. Owned for five generations by the Laserre family the entire operation is proof that big can be beautiful and production figures don't

tell us much about quality. These are great wines, well made, precise, characterful and importantly, fantastic value. They are proving extremely popular as house wines across London.

The domaine is certified sustainable by Terra Vitis and is moving towards organic viticulture.

White

**Tour des Pins Blanc, Pays d'Oc IGP**

*Vermentino – Chardonnay*

**2019**

**6.75**

**Viognier, Coteaux de Beziers IGP**

*100% viognier grown on gravelly terraces.*

**2019**

**7.45**

Red

**Garrigue Rouge, IGP Coteaux de Beziers**

*Merlot - Grenache - Cabernet Sauvignon grown on gravelly terraces.*

**2019**

**6.95**

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