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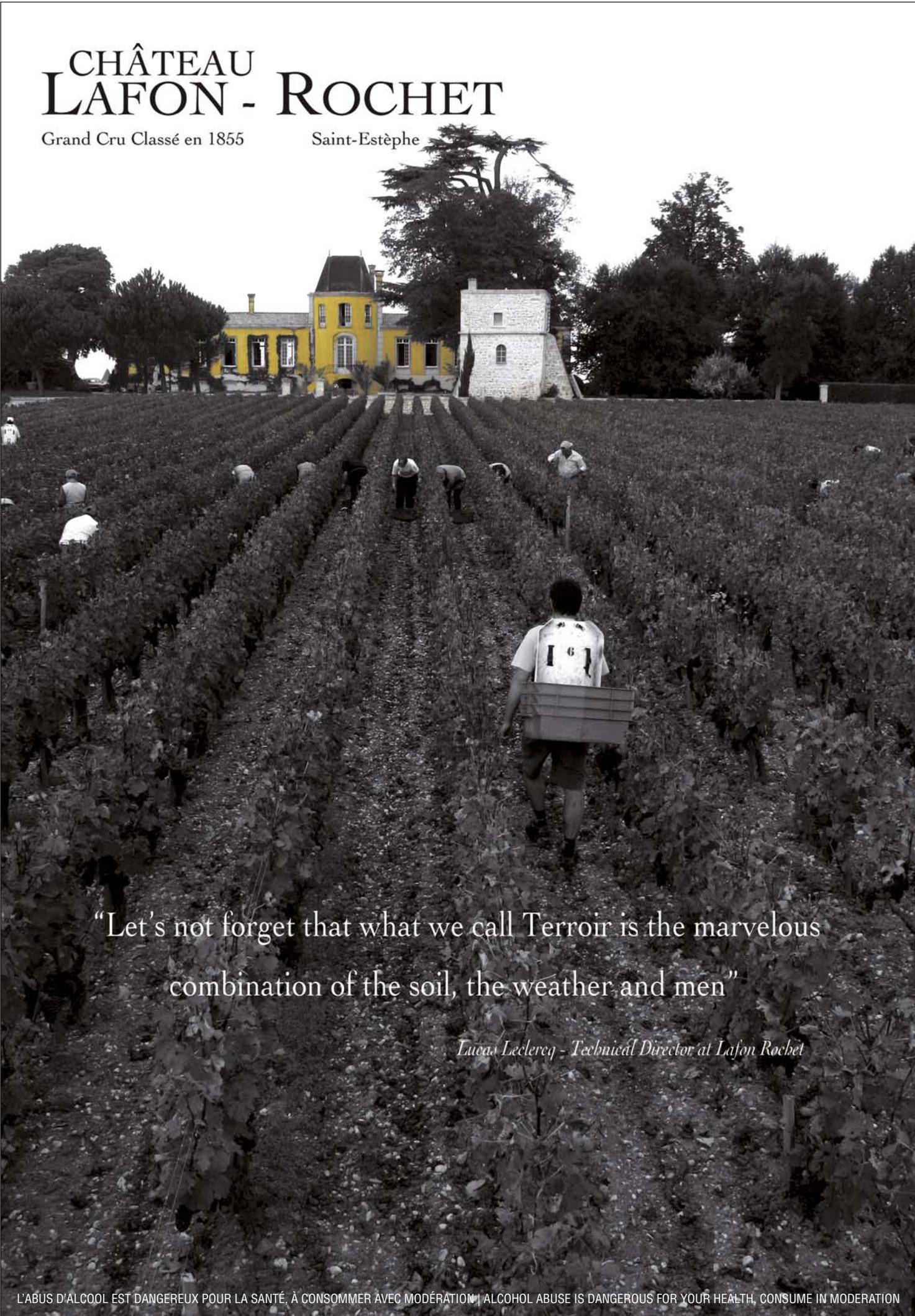
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“Let’s not forget that what we call Terroir is the marvelous combination of the soil, the weather and men”

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Discover seven properties from Oregon, from Champagne, 550 wine reviews from France (Bordeaux, Champagne, Bourgogne, Rhône, Provence), Portugal (Porto), United-States (Oregon, California, Washington), New Zealand and Spirits (Armagnac).



It is with great pleasure that I invite you to discover this 2016 Summer edition of VERTDEVIN magazine. For this issue I chose to put a spotlight on Oregon wines and Champagne. It is the result of exhilarating trips, tastings, discoveries and meetings!

So in the first part of the magazine you will discover beautiful wineries in Oregon and Champagne. In the second part you will discover Nicolas Frion, a great and promising Chef from Bordeaux. He is the Chef of the famous restaurant Le Gabriel. N. Frion created especially for VERTDEVIN a few recipes to pair with wines. These customized creations will tickle your taste buds !

In the third part I invite you to discover and savor a few great wines and good values. In the fourth part you will find 600 wine reviews and 50 Armagnac tasting reports :

Bordeaux is one of the largest and one of the most renowned wine regions in the world. We believe its reputation not only runs through the names of some very famous châteaux and exceptional winemakers but its wealth is also more complex, more diverse. In this magazine you will find presentations of some Bordeaux vineyards and 160 wine reviews.

Oregon is one of my favorite american wine regions. This state has a great diversity of terroir which is unfortunately often overlooked. There are a lot of different terroirs in the same region that gain recognition step by step. In this section you will find articles presenting not only wines of the Willamette Valley but also wines from the Columbia Valley and the Southern Oregon.

Champagne is a product synonymous with festivity, sharing, gastronomy and terroir. It is a unique wine, both in quality and in terms of notoriety. This product has a special place in my heart that can be summarized by the famous quote of Napoleon Bonaparte «I drink Champagne when I win, to celebrate... And I drink Champagne when I lose, to console myself.»

Bourgogne white wines are world renowned. We make some of the best white wines of the world in this region. So how can we resist the temptation to discover, explore and taste the incredible diversity of Bourgogne white wines

Porto is an emotional choice. It is easy to find a great, delicious port wine «gourmandise» at a good value. For the anecdote, Porto is the world's third-oldest wine controlled appellation and the first one for the fortified wines.

Armagnac is also an emotional choice but also a choice because of the soil, the quality of life as well as the great traditional and historical heritage.

Don't forget that Armagnac is the oldest Eau-de-vie distilled in the world. An Eau-de-vie that despite centuries of production, a beautiful diversity of style, terroir and properties is still relatively unknown.

Enjoy the reading, savor the tastings, take advantage of the new part and read with delicacy the Wine & Food pairing part.

Jonathan Choukroun Chicheportiche



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BRIGADOON WINE COMPANY

A young and promising winery of the Willamette Valley

Brigadoon Wine Company is a young property founded in 2008 by the Shown family. It is located in a wooded canyon, deep in the southern Willamette Valley, northwest of Eugene.

The property extends over 66 acres of which 15 are planted with vines. The rest of the area is occupied by a Christmas tree plantation, a sheep farm, forest, an orchard and a large vegetable garden.

The vineyard is planted mainly with Pinot Noir but also with Riesling, Pinot Blanc as well as a nursery (trees and vines). By conviction Brigadoon Vineyards will always be operated by sustainable agriculture practices by Chris Shown, his wife (Sheree) and his two children (Matt and Nick).

VertdeVin: Where does the name of Brigadoon Wine Company come from?

Chris Shown : "This is the name of a 1947 musical, a film released in 1954 and a 1996 album of which we are fans."

Brigadoon is a beautiful love story between an American and a young Scottish woman. The young man arrived in Scotland to hunt. During his stay he falls in love with a girl from the village of Brigadoon, a village lost in the countryside. However she could not go with him to the United States or she risked seeing the town disappear for mystical reasons...

V.d.V.: What allows one to recognize the wines of Brigadoon Wine Co. in blind tasting ?

C.S.: "All our wines have a nice texture and matter. We work a lot on it. I am looking to have a perfect balance, a bright acidity and good structure. Our wines are often recognized

thanks to the quality of the structure, whatever the vintage. They should be based primarily on the fruit. It makes wines that we like and we like dry wines!

We want to make wines that express all the characteristics of their vines, their vintages and reflect their terroir. It is there to guide the vine / wine, not for them to say or do anything different than their nature."



V.d.V.: Could you talk about the terroir and the vineyard of Brigadoon?

"It is a beautiful terroir, with great potential. It is composed by Bellpine, Jory and also some clay. These are well drained soils and rocky with some silty clays. These are fertile soils. It is in the foothills. It is located at an altitude of 400/600 feet which gives us a freshness that most wineries in the area do not. This allows us also to harvest between 3 and 10 days after the others. These additional days to allow the vine to continue the physiological development of fruit flavors and therefore without increasing the sugar level (and therefore alcohol). This microclimate allows a slower development of the berries. We work in sustainable agriculture to protect and perpetuate this wonderful terroir, land and its balance."

V.d.V.: Could you talk about the terroir and the vineyard of Brigadoon?

M. & C.S.: "I'd say it's a beautiful drink, nice, enjoyable and friendly"

Anecdote side

Chris: "Here we absolutely do everything by ourselves, while family, from vine to wine production all through bottling. We are all engaged in Brigadoon, me, my two children and my wife. My wife Sheree is a very good chef. She works a lot on food pairings and wines."

V.d.V.: Do you have a specific project to Brigadoon Wine Co. ?

M. & C.S.: "As you can see we like to welcome people, we would like that to continue. We are currently producing 15,000 bottles a year; but eventually we will produce



55,000. However, it is already very tight in our buildings, we can not increase our production without constructing a new building. This is our medium / short term project.”

Shown thank the family for their warm and friendly welcome.

J.C.C.

Focus on Chris and Matt Shown, coowners of Brigadoon Wine Co.

Chris: “My family is of British origin. I started my career in viticulture in 1970 in Napa Valley, I helped my father to work the vineyard. I’ve always been a farmer, it’s my passion! In 1988 when the property was sold I left for retirement but the virus of the vine quickly caught up with me. So we looked for a place to create a vineyard and we arrived here. This is a remote place, no road but a beautiful place. There are superb terroirs to work and the Willamette Valley offers a unique lifestyle.”

Matt: “I was soon fascinated by wine and winemaking. I went with my father and I attended to the various works of the vineyard and the winery since my childhood. After horticultural studies, my other passion, I started working for different vineyards in New Zealand and Oregon. In 2008 when my family embarked on the creation of Brigadoon it is natural that I join the project. Today even if I work for another property I spend most of my time here because I fell in love with this place, this beautiful part of life.”



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DEL RIO VINEYARDS

A property steeped in history, where wine is synonymous with expertise and locale.

Del Rio Vineyards is a family property located in the Rogue Valley in the Southern Oregon. The vineyard was established in 1997 by Lee and Margaret Traynham, two Californians from a long line of farmers. Before their arrival the property had been producing fruit for over 100 years.

VertdeVin: *Where does the name of Del Rio Vineyards come from?*

Aurélien Labrosse: *“We inherited this name by way of redemption. When the owners acquired this area was an orchard that had been cultivated for over 100 years. We turned it into vineyards.”*



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V.d.V.: *Why did you choose to come in the Rogue Valley to make wines ?*

A.L.: *“To be part of the developing young region in Southern Oregon was an attractive challenge which finally led me to join the Del Rio family. Our vineyard is unique. It is surrounded by majestic mountains and our site allows us to produce grapes of high quality. Here there is an ideal microclimate for grapes! There are truly beautiful soils. The grapes we harvest and the wines we produce are racy. They express the identity of the Rogue Valley.*

Since 2012 I chose to dedicate myself to producing wines reflecting our land and richness. I firmly believe in wine as a product bringing pleasure in a simple, user-friendly experience and to share the beautiful moments of life.”

The estate was originally created by John B. White in the 1850s. Initially a small community, it quickly evolved into a small town with a post office, a hotel, a telegraph station, a school and even the railway. As the village grew the property also grew. The main architect of this growth was K. F. Deuel who bought the hotel in 1907. Rock Point Hotel fell into disuse as did the land. He planted fruit trees and quickly turned the small family owned orchard into an orchard of 800 acres (pears, apples, cherries, apricots, peaches, hazelnuts, walnuts...). They renamed the property Del Rio Orchards. The 1920's were prosperous but short. Indeed the Depression and World War II were difficult times for the family estate who fought tirelessly to keep from falling into bankruptcy. In 1997 Lee and Margaret Traynham made the acquisition of Del Rio Orchard and Hotel. They then launched into a great restoration / renovation of the hotel, Resurrection of the land and transformation of the orchard into a vineyard. Del Rio today covers 300 acres of vineyards. Del Rio annually produces 300,000 bottles of wine and grapes are sold to more than twenty wineries from Oregon and California.

Can you briefly describe what is the wine to you?

A.L.: *“Wine is a product that is really related to my identity. Wine is also strongly linked to another of my passions, food / cooking. This is more than a drink, there is something substantial in wine. The wine is birthed from a*

Anecdote side

The domaine of Del Rio was founded by John B. White at the end of 1850. At first it was a small and young community named Rock Point. J.B. White fought alongside Captain William A. Wilkinson during the Indian Wars of 1855/1856. In appreciation of his services he received lands. A few years later he became the first judge of Rock Point and opened the first post office.



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Focus on Aurélien Labrosse, assistant winemaker at Del Rio Vineyards

"I grew up in the South of Burgundy surrounded by green pastures. My mother instilled in me a love for cooking and gastronomy. Small, we often used our family _ products from the garden for cooking. I always enjoyed being part of the transformation process: select, cut, cook / bake and pair.

I started studying and was soon employed in the marketing of wine But soon I was attracted to the vineyard. I made my first vintage in Burgundy, which convinced me to devote myself entirely to the production of wine and not its simple marketing. I passed and got a degree in oenology and viticulture Blanquefort (Bordeaux). Afterwards I went to work in vineyards abroad (Chile, Israel, United States...) but also in France (Burgundy, Bordeaux). Each trip allowed me to gain experience, to learn and see different approaches to wine. In 2012 I went to work in Oregon believing that the region can produce fine wines. Today I am happy to work in this region and at Del Rio. There is a very good lifestyle here. What I like here is that it has less restrictions than in other wine regions of the world. There is more freedom to innovate.

The person and his/her well being is taken into consideration. There is a sense of family, a team"

long, natural and complex process that originates in the vineyard and in the environment of the plant. The equation between the freshness, elegance, depth and expression of terroir is what matters to me. As in all equations each element plays an important role to achieve the final balance."

What allows you to recognize Del Rio Vineyards wines in a blind tasting? What is your signature?

A.L.:"Freshness and elegance are key components that we focus on. Following the same idea, we keep our alcohol content reasonable to keep this freshness and accessibility. Much in the nose and mouth we want to feel, drain the fruit, feel the aromas linked to the grape whose wine is made.

Jean-Michel Jussiaume (the winemaker) and I are both French vintners from cool climate regions (Loire and Burgundy). For us the acidity is important. It is the backbone of white wines and freshness of red wines. Finally, we work with oak barrels, but we use them as a complementary element to the aromas of the wine and not as a base. This means that if you experience flavors of oak / wood in our wine it is likely that this will be just a touch providing additional aromatic layer. The barrel should be used only to bring complexity to come around the fruit and ultimately to improve the quality of the wine."

Do you have specific plans for Del Rio Vineyards?

A.L.:"Del Rio continues to grow and change. This spring, we simply planted an additional 100 acres of vines bringing the vineyard to 300 acres. With our new plantings of Pinot Noir, Pinot Gris and we are very happy with the growth and development of our range and our brand."

Thanks to Aurélien for his warm and friendly welcome.

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IRIS VINEYARD

A property of the Willamette Valley where wine, gastronomy and epicurean are one!

Iris Vineyard is a young family estate in the Willamette Valley. It was founded in 1996 by a couple of enthusiasts and connoisseurs, Richard Boyles and Pamela Frye. When acquiring it there were no vines on the estate. Richard and Pamela therefore embarked on the great works of clearing and planting. In addition to the vineyards, they planted an orchard and hundreds of trees.

Currently the property is involved farming. It extends over 70 acres including 40 acres planted with vines. Each year the property produces 10,500 cases of wine with the bulk it in Pinot Noir, Pinot Gris, Chardonnay, Syrah...

In 2013 the property was closed to the public in order to carry out work. Late summer 2015, after more than two years of work Iris Vineyard opened to the public.

VertdeVin: *Where does the name of Iris Winery come from?*

Richard Boyles: *“There are several reasons for this name. This is a pun between the iris of the eye and the flower here. There were plenty in the field when it was acquired. We also have an area of 800 acres named Chalice Vineyard. It is*

located on Iris Hill.”

V.d.V.: *Why did you choose to make wine here?*

R.B.: *“When we started looking for a site we came here because my wife Pamela grew up in this region. So we came in the beginning for personal reasons but we quickly realized that the soil and the terroir were very good. They are particularly well suited to Pinot Noir. It is complex. Our soil is composed of Billpine, rock, volcanic soil and compost.*

We are fortunate also to be subject to a microclimate particularly suited to viticulture and the fruit culture.

Side Anecdote

The state of Oregon is not only known for its wines, Christmas trees and its splendid landscapes but also for being a great producer of truffles.

Each year Iris Vineyard organizes «truffle immersion parties.» During the evenings the property offers a cooking demonstration truffles. The final evening ends around a large cooked meal based on this famous mushroom and wine pairings leading to discovery, epicurean and awakening of the senses!



This is a beautiful area in which to live, with the natural landscape and offers a nice living environment.”

As for me I would say it is harmonious wine, nicely sweet, ‘net / accurate’ (clean), complex and which offers good terms and juicy fruits. The contributions of the barrel are always well mastered.

V.d.V.: What allows one to recognize Iris Vineyard wines in a blind tasting?

“These are intense wines. There are often notes of flowers. This is probably due to our microclimate. They often have a mineral structure.

We try to make the most expressive wines possible and that resemble their land, their soil and climate. These are wines of a beautiful youth.

We harvest our Chardonnay grapes later than the others, in November, so they have a little botrytis. Each of our wines has its own expression.

I try above all to produce the best grapes that I can. The wine is done primarily on the vine!”



V.d.V.: Do you have any plans for Iris Vineyards?

“Yes. We would first keep growing, to produce more. Short term we would also like to produce a sparkling wine from Pinot Meunier. We would produce after the Méthode Champenoise. We also have plans to make a rosé. Currently we are going to acquire new land.”



Focus on Richard Boyles, owner Iris Vineyards



My passion for wine comes from my paternal grandmother. It was born from my childhood when I accompanied her when I was little to help make wine. She vinified grapes which she cultivated at her home on the banks of the Umpqua River in Roseburg (Oregon).

I learned to make wine with it from the age of 7/8 years. I am fascinated by the fact of transforming grapes and metamorphosing them into something else. Each wine and each vintage is different.

I am also passionate about cooking. It’s a bit the same way. Starting from a raw product and by various operations it is magnified. It is therefore natural that I also have a great interest in Food & Wine pairings. My father who was a good cook had fun doing dishes that pair with the wines made by my grandmother for our family meals.

I met my wife Pamela at the University of Oregon. There she discovered a strong interest in food and wine. It has brought us closer. Together we visited several wineries in the Willamette Valley and the state of Washington.

The wine was my passion but I started my working life in a job in the field of electronics. With this position we had the chance to travel to Europe. We took advantage of this wonderful opportunity to visit many wine regions in France, Germany and Switzerland.

After several years in Europe we returned home to Oregon. Occupational retraining was then started creating our own vineyard to live our passion. We have also created a large garden to cook our own vegetables. Self-sufficiency and eating / living well are concepts that we hold dear. Good wines and good foods are great pleasures of life.

Thanks to Richard Boyles for its warm welcome

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MARCHESI WINERY

A little piece of Italy in the heart of Oregon

Marchesi Winery is a young property founded in 2004 by Franco Marchesi. It is located in Columbia Valley (Oregon) and more specifically in the area of Mount Hood. In addition to being recognized as the specialist Italian varietals in Oregon it offers, between gastronomy, wine, decor and atmosphere delicious Mediterranean parenthesis to these visitors. Currently the property covers 5 acres and produced white wines and red wines.

VertdeVin: Why did you choose to create a vineyard in Oregon and more precisely in this area?

Franco Marchesi: "I arrived here in the early 2000s by choice and not by default. My last wife wanted to come to the area for Windsurf. At first I kept working on San Francisco for a while, I was regularly round trips by plane. I came here by always fun to see my family and to restore what was to become my Winery.

In the early 2000s there were here two Wineries, today there are over 30! When I bought here in 2004, in Hood River, it was an old orchard (apple) abandoned extending over 5 acres. I quickly started to work the soil to prepare the vineyard to plant vines and to restore the buildings to accommodate productive tools. In 2004 I planted my first

vines here (Barbera). When I started I was getting help and advice from friends Italian winemakers.

I was doing all this weekend when I got to go. Although I started this business as a hobby I soon decided to devote

Focus on Franco Marchesi, owner and winemaker of Marchesi Winery

"I arrived in 1977 in the United States. I was born in Borgosesia (Piedmont) but I quickly left Italy to find work in the UK. I had the opportunity to work on a Norwegian cruise ship that cruised the entire globe with base in San Francisco. I learned the sommelier profession on the ship at the time it was easier. Through this position I was able to travel, discover vineyards, wines and I fell in love with the world of wine. I also learned a lot by myself as a wine merchant.

After more than twenty years in San Francisco I went to settle in the Columbia Gorge (Oregon). Here latitude is exactly the same as in my city of birth. The climate, the terroir and soil are very similar to those of Piedmont. I fell in love with this region and its fantastic views."





most of my time to my vineyard. However I also continues to manage my trading activity in wines."

V.d.V.: Why did you choose to produce wines made from Italian varietals?

F.M.: "I do something for pleasure and nobody else does. Italian varieties are my passion and I was convinced that they could perfectly match the terroir. I especially like how they glisten. Italy and its wines are my passion and my roots. My grandfather Achille was wine-maker in Piedmont.

First I wanted to make wines for me, the wines I like. Then I have produced just for my friends and for my clients. Production has grown gradually. Today I produce on average 4000 cases per year."

V.d.V.: Why did not have chose to create a vineyard in Italy?

F.M.: "It's too complicated especially in these times of crisis. There are too many regulations in Europe in this field. What is nice here also is that everyone helps each other, there is a good atmosphere."

V.d.V.: What allows to recognize your wine in a blind

Anecdote side

Every year in September Marchesi Winery offers to members of its Wine Club to go to Italy accompanied by Franco Marchesi to discover the wonderful vineyards of this country. Always side anecdote during my visit I was pleasantly surprised that the Winery was chosen to host a wedding party.



tasting?

F.M.: "The originality of the wines. These are true wine that is expected / the characteristics of the grape varieties. I wanted to make unique wines and not fall into the facility as much. There is a climate and unique terroir here, we must adapt and not produce commercial varieties."

From a personal point of view I would say that the density, fat and silky material are markers that identify the wines of Marchesi Winery.

V.d.V.: Do you have plans for Marchesi Winery?

F.M.: "I would start producing balsamic this year or next year. I have also the desire to continue to produce such a wine that does."

Thanks to Franco Marchesi and his team for the warm welcome.

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CHAMPAGNE BILLECART-SALMON

Two centuries of savoir-faire, rigor and passion for Champagne

The Billecart-Salmon Champagne House is family-owned and established in 1818 by Nicolas François Billecart and Elisabeth Salmon. Since then each generation works with passion to perpetuate the motto of the house *Optimize quality, strive for excellence!*. The Billecart-Salmon Champagne house produces 10 different cuvées.



I think one of the most beautiful proofs of recognition of our work is that it is common for local winemakers to come spontaneously to offer us their grapes."

VertdeVin: *Where does the name of Billecart-Salmon come from ?*

F.D.: *"When building the house in 1818, the founders Nicolas François Billecart and Elisabeth Salmon chose*

to juxtapose their two surnames. After all this is a family business!"

VertdeVin: *What is the signature of Billecart-Salmon Champagne?*

Christine Barbe: *"What characterizes our Champagne is delicate perfumes. Not scents. These flavors are very, very pronounced. Everything is in delicacy. Also found in our*

Apart from the wines of Billecart-Salmon is also known for its famous French garden designed in 1926 by Charles Roland-Billecart.

François Domi: *"Currently it operates on 95 hectares as well as 60 hectares (Mareuil, Ajy...) which was brought by the Frey Company.*





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Champagne is a little freshness in the finish and an elegant but not heavy overhead structure.

The grandfather of François Roland-Billecart was a brewer. At that time (1960') in Champagne no one thought to make fermentation at cold temperatures however it was common for the manufacture of beer. Mr Billecart, intrigued by the cold fermentations conducted trials. He realized that cold fermentation led to good things. It worked better, better for less powerful champagnes with more finesse, more elegant and more delicate flavors. Today it is fermented at 13°c.

We also work a lot on the use of the barrel. At first when I started working on the barrel project we used only fifty barrels. Today there are over 400. They are used for the three grapes but primarily for the Grands Blancs and for Pinots Noirs."

Personally I would say that what characterizes the Champagne Billecart-Salmon is the delicate aromas and champagne finish. The length on the palate, the finesse and creaminess and excitement of the bubbles and the excitement are also important markers of these champagnes.

V.d.V.: *If you had to describe it what is Champagne to you?*

F.D.: *"First, I'm a technician. Champagne*



for me it's a lifestyle, a festive product to celebrate happy events. This is a food friendly wine.

In Paris our Champagnes are served in various gourmet restaurants such as L'Arpège (Alain Passard). He prepares dishes that blend perfectly with Champagne Billecart-Salmon!

Champagne is the art of living, the art of French gastronomy. There is a little ostentatious side of Champagne in the picture but it is a product of art and gastronomy."

V.d.V.: *Do you have any particular future projects ?*

F.D.: *"For now I remain Cellar Master, but I would like to start soon to hand over (step by step) to my successor. I should be retired but I would stay still consultant to the house wines to retain the signature / the Billecart-Salmon frame."*

Side Anecdote

"We did a lot of research on the properties / qualities of the liquor (wine + cane sugar). At first I did not think too that cold fermentation could have such an influence on the final quality of the champagne but the test results were incredible and convinced me!

If one day you have the chance to visit the Billecart-Salmon cellars you will see at the entrance to the wine room a large statue of the God Bacchus. «It is thanks to him that we make good wines!"



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Focus on François Domi, Cellar Master of Champagne Billecart-Salmon



"My father had vineyards but since there are seven children in the family the vineyard was not enough for everyone to live off of.

The wine is a late vocation for me. The passion came to me through the village oenologist who gave me the wine virus. After that I studied at the Faculty of Oenology Reims then I started to looking for a job. In my mind I wanted to work only in two regions, Champagne or Bordeaux!

I started working in a wine laboratory (my first passion) and then at Charles Heidsieck. My lab experience was very interesting and educational. I saw what to do and what to avoid. At the time we could find a job easily in the vineyard. After some time I changed to come to work at Billecart-Salmon. I'm arrived at Billecart in September 1985. I started to work with Jean Roland-Billecart (father of François, the present CEO of the company). My first vintage vinified here was the 1985. Currently we produce ten qualities of Champagne and including a 100% Pinot Noir (old vines planted in 1964). This is the Clos St Hilaire. It must be produced, depending on the year, between 3,000 and 4,000 bottles.

The Cellar Master position is a beautiful job. I enjoy oenology, creating wine. It is a beautiful discipline, you can taste the terroir!"

Thanks to François Domi for his warm welcome.

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CHAMPAGNE PIERRE LAUNAY

The Pierre Launay Champagne House is a family property founded in 1967 by Pierre Launay. It is located at Barbonne-Fayel in the Sézannais, in the south of the Côte des Blancs. The vineyard currently covers 14 hectares divided between Barbonne Fayel, Broys and Loches-sur-Ource (Côte des Bar).

The Launay family came to Barbonne-Fayel in 1920. In the 60's viticulture around the village came back into fashion spurred in particular by many Epernay wine-makers who were looking for land to plant. Following the phylloxera crisis many farmers in the region, like Pierre Launay's father, did not want to hear about vines. He was a grain farmer and a breeder.

In 1967 when Pierre Launay announced that he wanted to plant vines on the family estate, his father did not believe in his project. He agreed to cede some land but refused to help in the work of the vines, so the son learned the trade from the village elder. Over the years he found other plots to buy or to rent.

In 1968 he bought the first straddle tractor in the village. Subsequently many winemakers of the region came to ask him to work for them with this machine. He was a pioneer in many things, in 1972 he acquired his first press.

In 1973 he began his first vintage bottled.

Anecdote side

La Maison Pierre Launay, combined with 11 other producers based on the Coteaux du Sézannais created in 2014 the association «Secraie».

The name of this association is born from a play on words between «Secret» (it will be soon...) and «chalk» important component of Local Sézannais soil.

«We created this association to promote our wines and our terroirs that produce a racy Chardonnay, different from those found on the Côte des Blancs.»



Focus on Laurent Launay, co-owner of the House of Champagne Pierre Launay

"I was born here but I have not always worked on the family property. For a long time I was attracted to another sector : IT. I studied computer science and I worked in this sector for some large companies such as TFI (French TV Channel). In 2005, after



several years in Paris I realized that I was missing the family property. So I decided to return there to work. I learned the trade on the job thanks to the advice of my brothers, my father and by reading. Currently I am working on the property with my two brothers. I take care of all the marketing part, exporting and administrative work. Jerome (one of my brothers) manages the vines and Lionel (the second brother) manages pressings and wine-making."

VertdeVin: *If you had to describe your passion for Champagne in a few words, what would you say?*

Laurent Launay: *"First of all the word 'passion' although initially I was not into this work. I would also say it is a 'festive product'. This is the image of Champagne!"*

V.d.V.: *What is the notable about Champagne Pierre Launay? What is special about your wines?*

L.L.: *"These are very correct Champagnes, very fine with perfectly adapted dosages. We work a lot on dosages. We want our dosed Champagnes at*



Project side

“We are interested in the sustainable viticulture guidelines set up by the Union of Champagne wines. It would be certified because here we always practice_ what is recommended. We take care of our soil, biodiversity and people who work here. We do not use chemical fertilizers but only organic fertilizers. Our plots are 50% grass. The only thing that’s left to do is administrative procedures.”

their correct values. Each vintage should have its own. In principle they are not very heavy. On average it is 8 grams/ liter with some vintages at 7/6 gr:

The soil is also an important concept for us. Our Champagne reflect its terroir (mainly limestone chalk and some clays).

At harvest time we wait for the correct sugars. But it is not too favorable to push ripeness. It is preferred to harvest at 9.5 percent potential alcohol to keep good acidity. We want our Champagnes have a nice acid frame, ensuring good structure and good aging potential.”



Thanks to Laurent Launay for his welcome

J.C.C.



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CHAMPAGNE MICHEL GONET

The Michel Gonet Champagne House is a family property founded in 1802 by Charles Gonet. The Gonet family has been present in the wine world since the Middle Ages. Even then the Gonets exercised trading activity / wine brokerage in the Beaujolais region. In the middle of the fifteenth century the family arrived in Champagne and specifically on the white coast where they settled as farmers. However it was not until 1802 that the champagne house was founded.

At first it was small family property which got bigger and bigger with weddings and acquisition opportunities.

Michel Gonet, grandson of Charles Gonet did much to increase the family estate including the purchase of many plots and Château de Vindey in 1976. In 1973 he built the modern cellars in Avize. Thanks to him the property currently



covers 37 hectares divided between the Côte des Blancs: Mesnil sur Oger, the slopes of Sézanne: Vindey those of Troyes Mongueux and the Bar sur Aube: Fravaux.

In 1986 the Gonet family, wishing to expand their range and produce wines of Bordeaux bought the Château Lesparre.

Today Michel Gonet vineyards are managed by his three children, Charles-Henri Gonet Frédéric and Sophie. Today is nine properties in Bordeaux: Château d'Eck (Pessac-Léognan), Château Haut Bacalan (Pessac- Léognan), Chateau Haut L'Evêque (Pessac-Léognan), Château Saint-Eugène (Pessac Léognan), Château Lesparre (Graves de Vayres & Bordeaux Supérieur), Château

Lathibaude (Graves de Vayres & Bordeaux Supérieur), Château Haut-Brana (Pessac-Léognan), Château La Rose Videau (Graves de Vayres & Bordeaux Supérieur) and Château des Bordes (Graves de Vayres & Bordeaux Supérieur).



Focus on Sophie Gonet, owner of the House of Champagne Michel Gonet

"I was born here, in Champagne, but I started my professional career in international trade. I have an adventurous character of traveler. I need new experiences however I also need a base, a place to return to and that's here. I went to work in South America in 1982. I returned to France in 1992 because I was pregnant and I would rather live out my pregnancy here with my parents. Thus I became involved in the family business. My father found that I was getting a little too 'South American' and so decided to acquire a property in Bordeaux and get me involved in the management of family property in 1986. I have two brothers; Charles-Henri and Frederick. In general we can say that they care for the Bordelaises properties I of Champagne."



VertdeVin: *Where does the name of the property come from? Who is Michel Gonet?*

Sophie Gonet: *"It's my father's name, a seventh generation winemaker line working in the Côte des Blancs since 1802. The ancestors were farmers in Bannes south of the Côte des Blancs and winemakers in Vertus, then a generation is based in Le Mesnil sur Oger and Michel stood at Avize in 1962."*

V.d.V.: *If you had to describe what Champagne is to you in a few words, what would you say?*

S.G.: *"My life, my pleasure and my goal. My goal is to make Champagne that is good, even very good, but if it gives me pleasure to me alone it has no interest."*

We need the Champagne that gives pleasure to friends, customers and consumers while making me enjoy myself. It is a gay, festive product, a product to be shared among friends. It also conveys what I receive from my family, my children and my friends, as customers become friends, it's a bit of us that we offer them in a glass of champagne. Each vintage is a little my 'baby'."

V.d.V.: *What allows one to recognize Champagne Michel Gonet in a blind tasting?*

S.G.: *"I have a very specific idea of what a champagne should be. This must be a wine that gives pleasure with its character, its personality, its terroir and ageing. There*

must be a harmony, good balance and not be aggressive (a good balance between acidity, bitterness, sugar). It's not necessarily easy to describe but I know what I want, what I expect of a Champagne. Even though it's a fun time above all.

For diversity and expression of terroir we created white Champagne vintages by the white coast"

V.d.V.: *Do you have plans for the Maison Michel Gonet?*

S.G.: *"Yes ! We already have a nice wine tourism offer in Epernay at 37 Avenue de Champagne in Avize in our cellars, but I'd like to add a restaurant. My goal is to advocate for dishes that pair with my Champagnes. This is a short / medium-term project because I have the license. All I need is the chef."*

Thanks to Sophie, Charles-Henri Gonet and Michel for their warm welcome.

J.C.C.

Side story

My great-grandfather Charles Gonet was in the 1914 war as a nurse-medic in Verdun. During that war he developed a friendship with a coachbuilder from Champagne in Epernay De-launais Belleville Father said. A few weeks after the birth of my father in January 1935 that friend came to congratulate Charles for his first little son. Unfortunately the child was dying and the family was not optimistic for the future, due to dysphagia (blockage of the esophagus). The friend who was particularly appreciative of champagne offered a drink anyway and made the child drink because he could not die without having tasted. Finally the divine drink solved my father's digestion problem by unblocking the esophagus. Since then the friend always reminded him that it was thanks to him that he was alive. His parents had not even had the idea of giving him champagne at birth! He and Champagne had saved my father!

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CHAMPAGNE
Pierre Launay
à Barbonne-Fayel

— Le domaine Pierre Launay s'étend sur 14 ha dans le Sud de la Champagne sur le terroir de la Côte de Sézanne. Le domaine a été créé par Pierre Launay en 1967 et repris 40 ans plus tard par ses trois fils, qui se partagent l'activité en complémentarité et harmonie.

Vignerons indépendants, ils sont animés d'une volonté de produire des vins de très haute qualité dans le respect de la nature du terroir et de l'environnement.

De leur parfaite connaissance du terroir, associée à une expression naturelle du Chardonnay est née la cuvée Blanc de Blancs Millésime 2008 Extra-Brut (100% Chardonnay), fleuron de la maison. Cette cuvée qui traduit l'équilibre, la maturité et l'excellence, présente au nez des notes de fleurs blanches et d'agrumes, et en bouche une fraîcheur d'une grande longueur et amplitude dominée par une structure minérale voire saline.



— The Pierre Launay estate extends on 14 ha located in the South of Champagne in the terroir of the Côte de Sézanne. The estate was created by Pierre Launay in 1967 and taken over 40 years later by his three sons, who share the activity with complementarity and harmony.

Independent wine growers, they are driven by the desire to produce high quality wines while respecting the nature of the terroir and the environment.

From their perfect knowledge of the terroir, combined with a natural expression of the Chardonnay was born the Blanc de Blancs vintage 2008 Extra-Brut (100% Chardonnay), the flagship of the house. This wine which reflects balance, maturity and excellence, presents at the nose notes of white flowers and citrus, and on the palate a freshness of great length and amplitude dominated with a mineral or even saline structure.

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Focus on
NICOLAS FRION
 Chef of Le Gabriel

Nicolas Frion is a talented chef who has made his home in the terroir of Aquitaine, his adopted region. Currently chef of the restaurant Le Gabriel (gourmet restaurant and bistro) he made his debut among the famous names of French gastronomy. Formerly Chef of the Michelin-starred restaurant Le Chapon Fin emeritus, his career has allowed him to rub shoulders with Thierry Marx at Cheval Blanc in Nimes then Cordeillan-Bages and Gérard Boyer in Crayères (Reims) and Paul Bocuse.

Following a tradition of gastronomy, Nicolas Frion breathes a wind of creativity, freshness and modernity into Gabriel's kitchen. On the one hand, the gourmet restaurant for which the Chef imagined an upscale kitchen, elegant, refined and delicious meals made from seasonal ingredients carefully selected from regional producers. With precise cooking and an exotic touch, the kitchen Frion Nicolas and his team invite you to a culinary journey.

On the other side, the Bistrot Gourmand, delicate and authentic menu waiting for you to include you in the discovery of the wonders of the Aquitaine terroir. His goal: Obtaining a Michelin star and why not a second?!

In the following pages you will find a few seasonal culinary creations made to order by the Chef as suggested to accompany the wines. Dishes and wines that tantalize our taste buds!



Le Gabriel Gourmet Restaurant
 10 Place de la Bourse à Bordeaux

Wine & Food pairing

by Nicolas Frion

Longuet toasté aux huitres du Bassin, croustilles légèrement épicées et jus de vin*



Enjoy it with a Château – Lalande-de-Pomerol (score :16.5)

*Toasted breadstick with oysters from the Arcachon bay, slightly spicy croustilles balls with wine sauce.

**Picanha de bœuf « Black Angus »
cuit au feu de bois, déclinaison
autour de la carotte et moutarde***



Enjoy it with a Château Larrivaux 2011 - Médoc (score :15)

*Picanha of «Black Angus» beef cooked over a wood fire, déclinaison around carrots and mustard

Wine & Food pairing

by Nicolas Frion

**Sur un brownie aux éclats de noisette :
crémieux au gingembre et mousseux
au chocolat, sorbet au lait, gingembre
et zestes de citron***



Enjoy it with an Armagnac Jean Cavé 2001 – Bas-Armagnac (score :17)

*On a brownie with hazelnut chips: Creamy ginger and chocolate mousse, milk sorbet, ginger and lemon zest reduction.

**Pulpe de morille glacée au Champagne,
gambas confites et asperges croquantes***



Enjoy it with a Champagne Pierre Launay – Blanc de blancs 2008 – Brut (score :15)

*Morel pulp iced with Champagne, candied prawns and crunchy asparagus

Wine re- views

Wines to discover... and savor!

Vérité
Le Désir 2011
Sonoma County
California

Score
18,5/20
Verde
Vin

The nose is fine, elegant and powerful. It reveals notes of blackberry and plum associated with slight notes of iris pistil, slight notes of strawberry as well as touches of licorice and touches of fresh hazelnut. The mouth is beautifully fruity, mineral, elegant, round, ample, quite fat and offers finesse and a delicate and fresh matter. In the mouth this wine expresses notes of blackberry, cherry and blueberry associated with slight notes of violet as well as hints of vanilla, toasted notes and discreet woody notes. Tannins are fine, elegant and currently slightly firm (needs to wait 12/18 months). Good length and persistence.

Pricing : €€€€€€



Vik 2011
Millahue
Apalta, Chile

Score
17/20
Verde
Vin

The nose is elegant, fine, complex and quite delicate. It reveals notes of blackberry, plum and flowers associated with slight notes of red berries, mocha, well integrated oaky/spicy notes and a touch of grey pepper. The palate is fruity, nicely mineral, nicely structured, racy, harmonious; generous and offers a fresh acidity and a nice silky matter. In the mouth this wine expresses notes of blackberry, strawberry and raspberry combined with a few notes of cherry, plum, black berries as well as small notes of oak, pepper and mocha / dark chocolate / liquorice on the finish (in the background). Tannins are fine, elegant and well-made. Good length and persistence.

Pricing : €€€€€€



Admirable
Vignerome 2013
Santa Barbara County
California

Score
16/20
Verde
Vin

The nose is fruity, relatively gourmand and elegant. It reveals notes of jam blackberry, cassis and slight notes of chocolate associated with slight woody notes, violets and a hint of black pepper. The palate is fruity, gourmand, elegant, round, well-balanced and offers a beautiful volume, suavity, a fine minerality and a fresh frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of blackberry, cassis cream and slight notes of violet, ripe strawberry, blueberry associated with touches of graphite, chocolate as well as slight notes of sweet spices (Cardamom, vanilla ...) and wood. Tannins are fine and well-built. Good length. A beautiful wine!

Pricing : €€€€



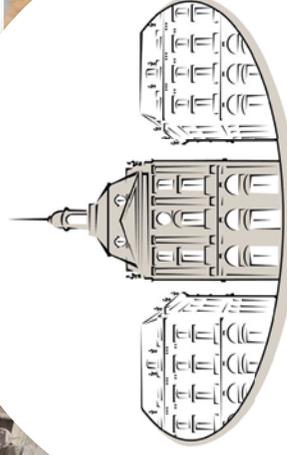
Domaine FA Ferret
Les Perrières 2014
Tête de Cru
Pouilly-Fuissé, France

Score
16,5/20
Verde
Vin

The nose is aromatic and relatively fine. It reveals notes of yellow fruit associated with a hint of kumquat, butter and a discreet note of fresh citrus (in the background) and white flowers. The palate is fruity, gourmand, elegant, precise, suave, relatively gourmand, relatively depth and offers a beautiful definition, smoothness and a beautiful acid frame (in the background). On the palate this wine expresses notes of lemon, clementine and slight notes of pink grapefruit associated with small notes of ripe peach as well as a hint of passion fruit, white flowers and apricot. Good length and persistence.

Pricing : €€





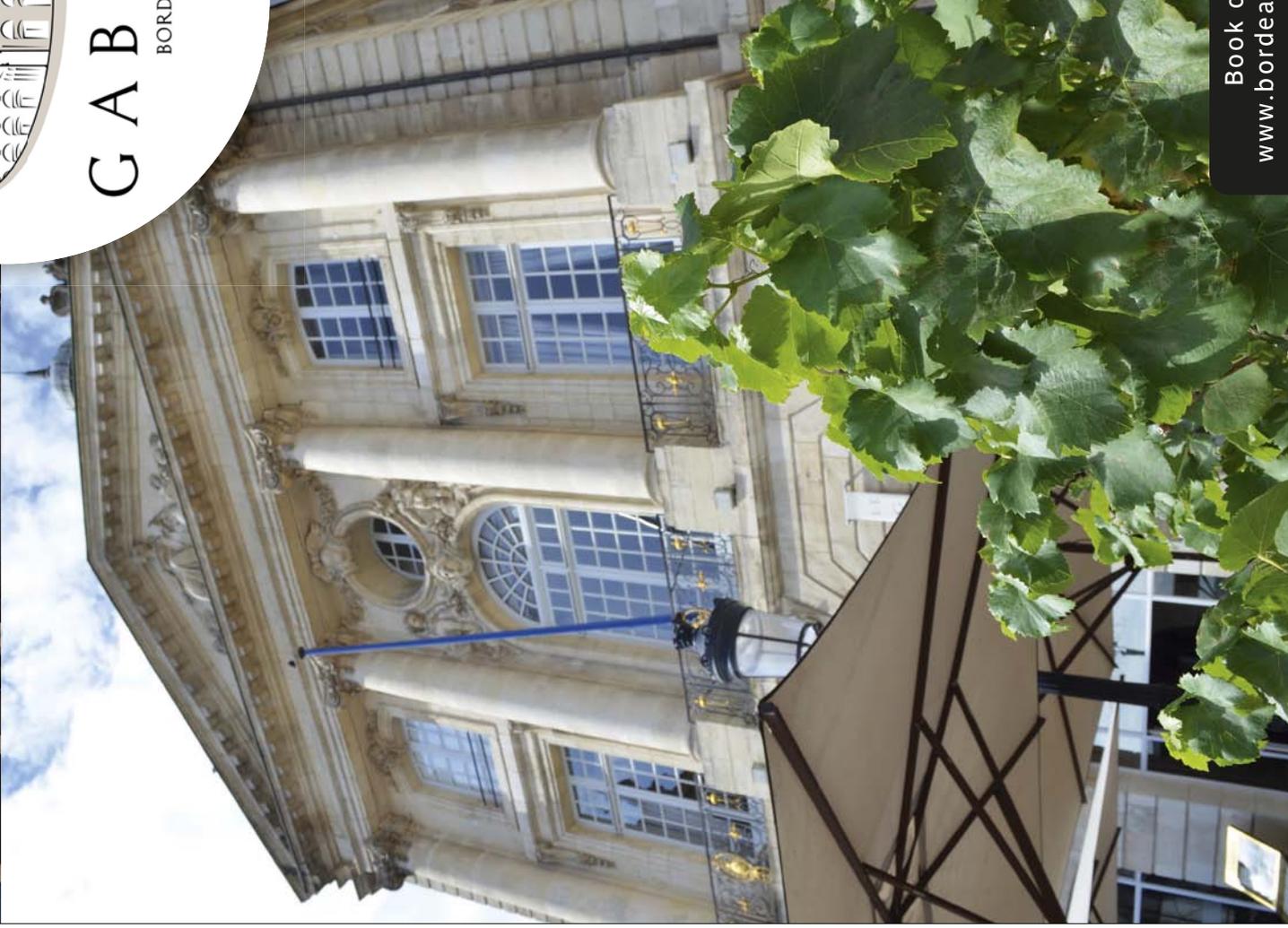
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Wines to discover... and savor!

Clos Marguerite Sauvignon Blanc 2015 Marlborough New Zealand

Score
16.25/20
Vertde
Vin

The nose is fruity, elegant and relatively concentrated. It reveals notes of vine peach, exotic fruits (passion, papaya) associated with slight notes of flowers (white flowers and rose), citrus and a touch of minerality. The palate is fruity, gourmand, elegant, mineral, racy, well-balanced and offers a good concentration and a beautiful matter. On the palate this wine expresses notes of white fruits, flowers and passion fruit combined with a touch of quenette, discreet touches of citrus zest, apple skin and a slight note of flowers peach. Good length.

Pricing : €



Castelinho Argentea 2008 Douro, Portugal

Score
16.75/20
Vertde
Vin

The nose is aromatic and offers a certain elegance. It reveals notes of sour cherry, plum and chocolate combined with slight floral notes and a touch of vanilla. The palate is fruity, well structured, fat, sleek and offers a certain minerality, a mineral frame, a small tension and a beautiful unctuous matter. In the mouth this wine expresses notes of blackberry, strawberry and blueberry associated with touches of fig, black cherry, chocolate and a discreet touch of raspberry. Tannins are fine, well-built and a bit firm. Good length and persistence with notes of black fruit jam and chocolate / liquorice.

Pricing : €



Lua Cheia Secretum 2012 Douro, Portugal

Score
16.25/20
Vertde
Vin

The nose is fruity and fine. It reveals notes of white peach and citrus combined with discreet notes of honeysuckle and fresh pineapple. The palate is fruity, mineral, racy, balanced, fine, elegant and offers tension and a beautiful matter. In the mouth this wine expresses notes of white peach, quince, lemon and slight notes of apple associated with discreet notes of pineapple and a small toasted note. Good length.

Pricing : €€



Château Majoureau 2009 Cuvée Hypos Côtes de Bordeaux St Macaire - France

Score
15/20
Vertde
Vin

The nose is fruity, fresh, relatively elegant and slightly powerful. It reveals notes of candied lemon and pear in syrup associated with slight notes of apple, fresh pineapple, honey, quince as well as slight notes of spices. The palate is well-balanced, racy, relatively fat, relatively gourmand and offers a racy minerality, a small suavity, a small concentration and freshness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of candied lemon, quince and slight notes of apple, candied apricot and pineapple associated with slight touches of grape, exotic fruits as well as touches of honey and a small note of botrytis.

Pricing : €



Rhône white wines

Condrieu

Jeantet-Laurent Le Secret de Pline 2014

Condrieu

The nose is fruity, elegant and offers a certain elegance. It reveals notes of pineapple and slight notes of lemon associated with slight notes of flowers, minerality, nectarine / white fruit and a discreet note of brioche. The palate is fruity, mineral, fat, suave, racy and offers a beautiful softness, roundness and finesse. On the palate this wine expresses notes of pineapple, lemon and fresh peach combined with a touch of pear, a fine note of apple (in the background) and minerality. Good length.

Score : 15.25

Domaine de Champal - Eric Rocher La Coste 2014

Condrieu

The nose is fruity, full and generous. It reveals notes of apple and Golden apple associated with slight notes of candied lemon, a hint of beeswax and a touch of wood / almond. The palate is fruity, suave, gourmand and offers a beautiful matter and a small fresh / mineral frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of quince, Golden apple, physalis and small stone fruits associated with slight touches of lemon as well as a hint of peel and wood. Good length and persistence.

Score : 15.25

Domaine de Champal - Eric Rocher La Coste 2014

Condrieu

The nose is fruity, full and generous. It reveals notes of Golden apple and quince associated with slight notes of candied lemon, a hint of beeswax and a touch of wood / almond. The palate is fruity, suave, gourmand and offers a nice matter and a small fresh / mineral frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of quince, Golden apple, physalis and small notes of stone fruits associated with slight touches of lemon and a hint of zest and wood. Good length and persistence.

Score : 15.25

E. Guigal 2014

Condrieu

The nose is fruity, elegant, quite powerful and relatively intense. It reveals notes of apricot and physalis associated with small notes of flowers, a discreet touch of citrus as well as a touch of gray pepper and spice. The palate is fruity, balanced, relatively gourmand, relatively fleshy / rich and offers minerality, freshness and a good unctuous matter. On the palate this wine expresses notes of apricot and physalis associated with touches of citrus (especially lemon) and slight touches of honey and a hint of pâtisserie. Good length and persistence.

Score : 16

Pierre Gaillard 2014

Condrieu

The nose is fruity, elegant, relatively concentrated and intense. It reveals notes of yellow fruits and yellow peach combined with a touch of citrus, apple, pear and a touch of quenette and flowers. The palate is fruity, gourmand, elegant, fine, relatively fat and offers suavity, a beautiful volume and a relatively unctuous matter. On the palate this wine expresses notes of yellow fruit, mango and slight notes of physalis associated with touches of citrus, white fruit as well as a discreet touch of juicy nectarine and honey. Good length.

Score : 16.25

Delas Clos Boucher 2014

Condrieu

The nose is fruity, generous, elegant and relatively gourmand. It reveals notes of mirabelle plum, apricot and small fruits associated with slight notes of ripe citrus (lemon, mandarin) as well as a touch of beeswax and a discreet point of hazelnut. The palate is fruity, gourmand, elegant, straight, racy, quite aerial, relatively fat and offers a mineral frame, suavity and a good definition. On the palate this wine expresses notes of lemon, mirabelle plum and slight notes of tangerine associated with slight notes of apricot, red apple, stone fruits as well as a discreet touch of beeswax / hazelnut and a woody touch.

Score : 16.25

M. Chapoutier Invitare 2014

Condrieu

The nose is fruity, clear, mineral and quite elegant. It reveals notes of mirabelle plum and apricot combined with a touch of quince, a discreet note of citrus as well as a hint of flowers and beeswax. The palate is fruity, gourmand, mineral, racy and offers a beautiful silky matter, elegance and freshness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of candied lemon, stone fruit and physalis associated with a hint of quince, wood, beeswax and a discreet touch of dried fruit (in the background). Good length and persistence.

Score : 15.5

Crozes-Hermitage

Domaine Saint Clair 2014 Un matin... - Denis Basset

Crozes-Hermitage

(80% Marsanne, 30% Roussanne)

The nose is fruity, gourmand and crunchy. It reveals notes of roasted pineapple, mirabelle plum and slight notes of candied lemon associated with slight notes of pâtisserie, discreet notes of flowers and a hint of leather. The palate is fruity, gourmand, elegant, straight and offers tension, an acid frame and minerality. In mouths this wine expresses notes of mirabelle plum, quince and slight notes of pineapple associated with slight notes of peach in syrup, a very discreet note of fresh herbs and a touch of honey. Good length.

Score : 15.5

M. Chapoutier Les Meysonniers 2014

Crozes-Hermitage

The nose is elegant, fine and relatively gourmand. It reveals notes of quince, beeswax and slight notes of yellow fruit associated with a touch of apricot, beeswax and a hint of almond. The palate is fruity, gourmand, mineral, racy and offers a beautiful matter and a good definition. On the palate this wine expresses notes of mirabelle plum, quince and slight notes of yellow plum associated with slight touches of beeswax, apricot, racy minerality and a discreet touch of muesli. Good length and persistence.

Score : 16

Domaine des Remizières Cuvée Particulière 2014

Crozes-Hermitage

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The nose is fruity, juicy and gourmand. It reveals notes of physalis and citrus (lemon, clementine) associated with a hint of flowers as well as fine / discreet touches of apple. The palate is fruity, gourmand, suave, fat, well-balanced and offers a good volume as well as a silky and slightly unctuous matter. On the palate this wine expresses notes of mirabelle plum, small yellow fruit and slight notes of citrus associated with touches of apple skin and beeswax. Good length. There is a slight bitterness on the finish/aftertaste.

Score : 15

Yanne Chave 2014 Crozes-Hermitage

The nose is fruity and relatively fine. It reveals notes of yellow fruit, minerality and mirabelle plum associated with a touch of beeswax as well as a woody / spicy touch. The palate is fruity, balanced, relatively gourmand and offers a small acid frame, a certain freshness and a certain elegance. On the palate this wine expresses notes of yellow fruit and mirabelle plum associated with a hint of mango as well as a discreet touch of yellow peach and lemon. Good length.

Score : 15.25

Yannick Alléno & Michel Chapoutier 2012 Crozes-Hermitage

The nose is aromatic, fine and relatively elegant. It reveals notes of small yellow fruit, citrus and mineral notes associated with a small note of apple, a discreet hint of flowers and a touch of beeswax. The palate is fruity, gourmand, elegant, relatively fat and offers suavity, freshness and a mineral frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of yellow fruit and apricot combined with touches of citrus (tangerine, a touch of lemon) as well as a discreet hint of quennette, beeswax and a discreet hint of muesli. Good length and persistence.

Score : 15.25

Domaine des Remizières Cuvée Christophe 2014 Crozes-Hermitage

The nose is fruity, gourmand, fine and relatively full. It reveals notes of yellow fruit and citrus combined with a touch of zest and a hint of mirabelle plum. The palate is fruity, suave, relatively gourmand, well-balanced, well structured and relatively elegant. On the palate this wine expresses notes of small yellow fruit, mango and slight notes of nectarine associated with touches of citrus (lemon, clementine) as well as a hint of apple and beeswax. Good length and persistence on slight notes of hazelnuts and yellow fruit.

Score : 15

Saint-Joseph

Domaine de Champal - Eric Rocher Mayane 2014 Saint-Joseph

The nose is fruity, relatively concentrated and intense. It reveals notes of lemon and slight notes of pineapple associated with slight notes of stone fruit, minerality, flowers, acacia and a touch of mandarin. The palate is fruity, gourmand, incisive and offers minerality, suavity, fluidity, a small freshness as well as an acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of lemon, mandarin and slight notes of small stone fruit, minerality combined with touches of pineapple, acacia as well as a discreet touch of quince and honey. Good length and persistence with slight toasted notes and fresh almonds.

Score : 14.75

M. Chapoutier Les Granits 2012 Saint-Joseph

The nose is fruity, elegant and racy. It reveals notes of yellow fruits and small stone fruits combined with touches of flowers, beeswax, minerality as well as a touch of quince and a discreet hint of dried fruit. The palate is fruity, fat, relatively suave, well-constructed, well-balanced, racy, harmonious and offers a small freshness (a small fresh frame). On the palate this wine expresses notes of yellow fruit, quince and slight notes of beeswax associated with a touch of mango as well as discreet touches of dried fruits and a slight hint of almond. Good length.

Score : 16

Pierre Gaillard 2014 Saint-Joseph

The nose is fruity and full. It reveals notes of yellow fruits and yellow peach associated with a slight touch of beeswax as well as a discreet note of small stone fruits and flowers. The palate is fruity, gourmand, well-balanced, racy and offer freshness and good structure. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy nectarine and quince associated with small notes of honey as well as small notes of physalis. Good length.

Score : 15.5

Pierre et Jérôme Coursodon Le Paradis Saint Pierre 2014 Saint-Joseph

The nose reveals notes of mirabelle plum, quince and slight notes of white fruit associated with slight touches of sweet spices, honey and a discreet woody hint. The mouth is beautifully fruity (juicy fruit), well-balanced, relatively gourmand and offers a good volume, a good definition / expression and a mineral frame (racy minerality, terroir). On the palate this wine expresses notes of white fruit associated with small notes of minerality (granite / rock), a touch of nectarine, quince as well as a discreet touch of kumquat, beeswax and small touches of sweet spices / wood. Good length.

Score : 15.25

Hermitage

M. Chapoutier Chante-Alouette 2014 Hermitage

The nose is complex and elegant. It reveals notes of quince associated with a touch of beeswax, physalis as well as a hint of sweet spices and flowers (acacia flowers and honeysuckle). The palate is fruity, relatively gourmand, relatively fat and offers of a nice volume, suavity, a good structure and a nice fresh frame. The attack is frank. On the palate this wine expresses notes of quince, mirabelle plum and small notes of minerality associated with hints of lemon, a discreet hint of clementine as well as small notes of nectarine. Good length. Freshness on the finish.

Score : 16.75

E. Guigal 2012 Hermitage

(95% Marsanne, 5% Roussanne)

The nose is fruity, delicious and relatively elegant. It reveals notes of small yellow fruit and pear combined with notes of flowers and a discreet touch of honey. The palate is fruity, relatively depth and offers minerality, a

Rhône white wines

good structure, freshness and a fresh / mineral frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of nectarine, yellow plum and pear associated with slight touches of lemon as well as a discreet touch of pineapple and flowers. Good length.

Score : 15.25

Delas
Domaine des Tourettes 2014
Hermitage

The nose is fruity, gourmand and relatively elegant. It reveals notes of candied citrus and small notes of flowers associated with a hint of mirabelle plum, marmalade and a discreet hint of oak / wood. The palate is fruity, elegant, concentrated, mineral, well-balanced, harmonious and offers a good structure, a fresh frame and a beautiful definition / precision. On the palate this wine expresses notes of candied citrus, yellow peach and slight notes of mirabelle plum associated with discreet hints of lemon, flowers as well as a few discreet woody notes. Good length.

Score : 17

Saint-Péray

Pierre Gaillard 2014
Saint-Péray

The nose is fruity, gourmand and quite elegant. It reveals notes of juicy yellow fruit, citrus and slight notes of peach associated with touches of beeswax, flowers and a discreet touch of zest. The palate is fruity, elegant, suave, relatively fat, quite harmonious and offers freshness, minerality and good definition. On the palate this wine expresses notes of yellow fruit and lemon combined with a touch of juicy nectarine as well as fine hints of honey / spices. Good length.

Score : 15.5

M. Chapoutier
Les Tanneurs 2014
Saint-Péray

The nose is fruity, gourmand and quite fine. It reveals notes of apple and ripe citrus (lemon, quince, a touch of clementine) associated with slight notes of beeswax as well as a hint of flowers and dried apricot. The palate is fruity (fruits juicy), beautifully gourmand, relatively elegant, relatively deep, racy and offers minerality, a nice definition and freshness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of yellow fruit associated with touches of mirabelle plum as well as slight hints of citrus, apple, muesli and honey. Good length.

Score : 15

M. Chapoutier
Lieu-dit Hongrie 2014
Saint-Péray

The nose is aromatic, elegant and relatively fine. It reveals notes of dried fruits, quince and small white fruits combined with a discreet touch of honey as well as slight notes of baked apple / brioche. The palate is fruity, relatively gourmand, racy, relatively fat, relatively depth and offers suavity, and a small fresh / acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of quince, small yellow fruits, physalis and slight notes of beeswax, white fruits associated with quite discreet woody / spicy notes and anise.

Score : 14.75

Bourgogne white wines

Pouilly-Fuissé

Domaine Sangouard-Guyot Quintessence 2014

Pouilly-Fuissé

The nose is fine and relatively aromatic. It reveals notes of quince and mirabelle plum associated with a hint of physalis, slight touches of citrus as well as discreet notes of spices and wood. The palate is fruity, gourmand, racy, well-balanced and offers suavity, freshness and good matter. On the palate this wine expresses notes of peach compote, pear and slight notes of physalis associated with discreet notes of lemon / mandarin as well as a slight touch of kumquat and slight hints of butter on the finish / in the background.

Score : 15

Domaine Luquet Roger Au Bourg 2014

Pouilly-Fuissé

The nose is aromatic and relatively fine. It reveals notes of small yellow fruit, kumquat / physalis and slight notes of mirabelle plum associated with small woody notes and notes of citrus. The palate is fruity, gourmand, elegant, round, relatively fleshy, relatively fat and offers a small creaminess and a small mineral frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of mirabelle plum and small yellow stone fruit combined with a touch of lemon, lemon zest as well as a slight hint of nectarine and a discreet touch of apple. Good length.

Score : 14.75

Domaine FA Ferret Les Perrières 2014 - Tête de Cru

Pouilly-Fuissé

The nose is aromatic and relatively fine. It reveals notes of yellow fruit associated with a hint of kumquat, butter and a discreet note of fresh citrus (in the background) and white flowers. The palate is fruity, gourmand, elegant, precise, suave, relatively gourmand, relatively depth and offers a beautiful definition, smoothness and a beautiful acid frame (in the background). On the palate this wine expresses notes of lemon, clementine and slight notes of pink grapefruit associated with small notes of ripe peach as well as a hint of passion fruit, white flowers and apricot. Good length and persistence.

Score : 16.5

Domaine Carrette Ronchevat 2014

Pouilly-Fuissé

The nose is fruity, gourmand and quite charming. It reveals notes of mango, apricot and slight notes of citrus associated with touches of nectarine. The palate is fruity, gourmand, elegant, relatively unctuous and offers minerality, tension, freshness (mid-palate) and a beautiful suave matter. On the palate this wine expresses notes of lemon, mandarin and slight notes of mango associated with crushed peach, exotic fruits (quenette, passion fruit) and slight toasted touches on the finish. Good length.

Score : 15.5

Domaine Sangouard-Guyot Ancestral 2014

Pouilly-Fuissé

The nose is fruity and relatively elegant. It reveals notes of butter, yellow fruits and slight hints of kumquat associated discreet touches of brioche and lemon / orange. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, relatively gour-

mand and offers a beautiful freshness (mid-palate), suavity and a fresh frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of yellow fruit combined with touches of pineapple, fresh citrus (lemon, clementine) and a hint of mango, fresh grape as well as slight notes of buttered brioche on the finish. Good length.

Score : 15.5

Domaine F.A. Ferret Le Clos 2014 - Tête de Cru

Pouilly-Fuissé

The nose is aromatic, elegant and relatively fine. It reveals notes of butter, brioche and small yellow fruit associated with slight touches of ripe citrus and a discreet touch of vanilla. The palate is fruity, gourmand, fat, silky, quite straight and offers tension as well as a beautiful, ample and quite precise matter. On the palate this wine expresses notes of yellow fruit, kumquat and slight touches of ripe citrus (lemon, mandarin) combined with discreet touches of ripe nectarine, oak as well as slight notes of beeswax, butter and a touch of straw. Good length and persistence.

Score : 16

Domaine Sangouard-Guyot Authentique 2014

Pouilly-Fuissé

The nose is fruity and offers a certain elegance. It reveals notes of mirabelle plum, quince and slight notes of yellow fruit associated with a discreet hint of citrus zest (orange, lemon). The palate is fruity, racy, relatively gourmand, relatively fleshy and offers minerality, a good matter and a small freshness. Freshness on the mid-palate. This wine expresses notes of kumquat, yellow peach and slight notes of citrus associated with discreet woody touches, fresh clementine and beeswax. Good length.

Score : 15.25

Domaine Luquet Roger Cuvée Terroir 2014 - Chardonnay

Pouilly-Fuissé

The nose is fruity and juicy. It reveals notes of juicy yellow peach and small yellow fruit associated with discreet notes of apple, mango and spicy / woody. The nose is slightly dusty (discreet). The palate is fruity, gourmand, elegant, well-balanced, quite fleshy and offers beautiful silky matter. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy yellow fruits, yellow peach and slight notes of mango associated with discreet notes of lemon, a hint of mandarin as well as slight notes of butter (in the background). Good length.

Score : 15.5

Domaine Carrette Les Crays 2014

Pouilly-Fuissé

The nose is fruity, relatively elegant and racy. It reveals notes of mirabelle plum and yellow peach combined with a touch of citrus associated with a hint of apple as well as a hint of flowers / fresh herbs and a hint of spice. The palate is fruity, ample, gourmand, elegant, well-balanced, beautifully fleshy and offers a smoothness, suavity, fine fresh acid and a small frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of yellow peach, mirabelle plum and slight notes of ripe white fruits combined with touches of ripe pineapple and lemon. Good length and persistence.

Score : 15.75

Château-Fuissé Le Clos 2014 Monopole

Pouilly-Fuissé

Bourgogne white wines

The nose is aromatic and elegant. It reveals notes of yellow fruit, butter and slight notes of citrus associated a discreet hint of straw and a slight hint of quince (discreet). The palate is fruity, gourmand, elegant, silky and offers a beautiful matter and definition. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy fruits, quince and yellow fruit associated with slight notes of apricot, a hint of citrus and touches of butter as well as small notes of nectarine. Good length and persistence with slight toasted notes and roasted almond on the finish.

Score : 16.25

Louis Jadot 2014 **Pouilly-Fuissé**

The nose is aromatic and full. It reveals notes of honey, toast oak and sweet spices associated with slight notes of small fruits, mirabelle plum as well as a touch of ripe white fruit and a touch of citrus. The palate is fruity, gourmand, relatively elegant, mineral and offers a fleshy matter and suavity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy peach, lemon, passion fruit and Williams pear associated with slight touches of juicy fruits and quenette. Good length.

Score : 14.75

Domaine Luquet Roger **En Chatenet 2014 - Chardonnay** **Pouilly-Fuissé**

The nose is fruity and gourmand. It reveals notes of apple compote associated with touches of citrus, lychee, slight floral notes as well as slight touches of acacia and spices. The palate is fruity, quite gourmand and offers a good fleshy matter, a fine racy minerality and a small tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of apple compote, pear and slight touches of citrus associated a discreet hint of apricot, peach and a discreet hint passion fruit. Good length.

Score : 15.25

Chablis Premier Cru

Charly Nicolle **Mont de Milieu 2014** **Chablis 1er Cru**

The nose is fruity, elegant and relatively gourmand. It reveals notes of lemon and small notes of ripe yellow peach associated with slight touches of quince, quenette, flowers and apple. The palate is fruity, gourmand, elegant, racy, quite straight and offers a small minerality and good fruit expression. In the mouth this wine expresses notes of ripe peach and slight notes of brugnion associated with small touches of quince, citrus and slight notes of exotic fruit, quenette and discreet touches of citrus / clementine zests. Good length. Beautiful potential!

Score : 15.75

Alain Geoffroy **Vau-Ligneau 2014** **Chablis 1er Cru**

The nose is fruity, mineral and quite powerful. It reveals notes of ripe pear associated with a touch of brugnion as well as discreet toasted notes. The palate is fruity, gourmand, mineral, fine, elegant and offers a beautiful fruitiness and precision. On the palate this wine expresses notes of peach candy and crushed pear associated with slight notes of lemon, mandarin as well as a touch of passion fruit and quenette. Good length and persistence with slight notes of toast / almond (discreet). A fresh and gourmand wine!

Score : 16.25

Alain Geoffroy **Beauroy 2014** **Chablis 1er Cru**

The nose is fruity and offers a certain intensity and elegance. The palate is fruity, gourmand, racy and offers minerality, tension, freshness, elegance as well as a small / slight smoothness and a good, suave matter. On the palate this wine expresses notes of white fruit (nectarine, peach...) and lemon associated with slight touches of zest, apple skin and discreet notes of lychee. Good length.

Score : 15.5

Pascal Bouchard **Beauroy 2014** **Chablis 1er Cru**

The nose is fruity, fine and relatively intense and elegant. It reveals notes of lemon, quenette and slight notes of ripe peach associated with slight / discreet hints of almond / leather. The nose is slightly dusty. The palate is fruity, gourmand, fine, elegant, mineral, well built, relatively fat and offers suavity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of vine peach, quenette and slight notes of ripe citrus (lemon, tangerine, a touch of pink grapefruit) associated with a discreet hint of quenette and a hint of pear. Good length.

Score : 15.75

Charly Nicolle **Les Fourneaux 2014** **Chablis 1er Cru**

The nose is fruity, fresh and quite fine. It reveals notes of vine peach and minerality associated with a touch of fresh pineapple and a hint of citrus (lemon, tangerine). The palate is fruity, gourmand, relatively depth, relatively fat and offers elegance, vivacity, a racy minerality, a certain suavity and an acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of lemon, mandarin and slight notes of vine peach, crunchy brugnion associated with a discreet touch of fresh pineapple, mandarin zest as well as slight notes of minerality. Good length.

Score : 16

Domaine Louis Max **Vaillons 2014** **Chablis 1er Cru**

The nose is fruity, relatively concentrated and relatively elegant. The nose is a bit dusty. It reveals notes of fresh fruit combined with a hint of almond and a touch of oak. The palate is fruity, relatively gourmand, fresh, racy, relatively fat, well-balanced and offers minerality. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe white fruit (nectarine, pear) associated with slight notes of lemon, zest, green apple skin and a hint of quenette / passion fruit. Good length.

Score : 15.5

Domaine Louis Max **Fourchaume 2014** **Chablis 1er Cru**

The nose is fruity, gourmand and a bit elegant. It reveals notes of ripe citrus (lemon, blood orange) combined with slight notes flat peach as well as a touch of almond and slight notes of lily pistil. The nose is a bit dusty. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a small concentration and an acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of lemon zest, lemon juice and slight notes of white fruits combined with touches of mandarin as well as discreet woody hints. Good length.

Score : 15.25

Bourgogne white wines

Jean-Marc Brocard Vau de Vey 2014 Chablis 1er Cru

The nose is aromatic, full and relatively elegant. It reveals notes of white fruits, leather and dried almond associated with discreet touches of lemon and white flowers. The palate is fruity, precise, gourmand, elegant, well-balanced, supple and offers minerality, freshness and a mineral frame (hot stone). On the palate this wine expresses notes of lemon and lemon zest associated with slight touches of white grapefruit, saline minerality, small notes of ripe white fruit as well as hints of exotic fruit (pineapple, fruit passion). Good length.

Score : 15.75

Clotilde Davenne Montmains 2014 Chablis 1er Cru

The nose is fresh and mineral. It reveals notes of flint, hot stones and slight notes of lemon zest associated with a touch of Granny Smith apple. The palate is fruity, gourmand, racy, relatively fat, relatively fleshy and offers suavity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy nectarine and brugnon associated with slight notes of citrus, a discreet hint of apricot, hot stones as well as slight notes of ripe white fruit and a hint of lychee. Good length.

Score : 15.5

Domaine Nathalie & Gilles Fèvre Vaulorent 2013 Chablis 1er Cru

The nose is fruity, gourmand, harmonious, juicy and elegant. It reveals notes of candied lemon and pineapple associated with slight touches of passion fruit, slight hints of white flowers as well as a discreet note of rose and a discreet touch of spice. The palate is fruity, gourmand, elegant, racy, relatively depth, well-balanced and offers a beautiful matter, suavity and a mineral frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of lemon, pineapple and quenette associated with slight notes of tangerine zest as well as discreet notes of passion fruit and vine peach. Good length and persistence. There is a slight vegetal hint on the finish.

Score : 16

Jean-Marc Brocard Vaulorent 2014 Chablis 1er Cru

The nose is aromatic and slightly dusty. It reveals notes of ripe white fruits combined with a slight touch of lemon and a discreet touch of zest. The palate is fruity, gourmand, mineral, relatively elegant, round and racy. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe white fruit (pear, peach) associated with a hint of brugnon, touches of citrus (lemon, clementine), a hint of zest, a saline minerality and a slight / discreet note of yellow fruit / pineapple (in the background). Good length. There are notes of zest and a hint of fresh herb on the persistence.

Score : 15.25

Domaine Nathalie & Gilles Fèvre Fourchaume 2014 Chablis 1er Cru

The nose is fruity, gourmand, fine, mineral and offers all freshness. It reveals notes of lemon, peach and slight notes of pineapple associated with a hint of Granny apple and a delicate note of toast / dried almond. The palate is fruity, gourmand, fat, mineral, racy, harmonious, beautifully fleshy and offers a beautiful matter and elegance. On the palate this wine expresses notes of lemon, fresh pineapple and juicy white peach asso-

ciated with slight hints of Granny Smith apple and a touch of Williams pear. Good length and persistence. There is a small note of lemon seed on the finish.

Score : 16

Domaine Nathalie & Gilles Fèvre Mont de Milieu 2014 Chablis 1er Cru

The nose is fruity, gourmand and full. It reveals notes of fresh fruits, small yellow fruit and slight toasted notes associated with slight notes of minerality, small notes of flowers and a hint of papaya / yellow peach. The palate is fruity, gourmand, mineral, racy and offers a beautiful definition, an acid frame and a small tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of lemon, mandarin and slight notes of grapefruit associated with slight notes of white fruit (peach, pear), touches of flint, fleshy fruits and a discreet toasted touch. Good length and persistence. Elegance!

Score : 16.75

Jeantet-Laurent Le Milieu de Montmeillant 2014 Chablis 1er Cru

The nose is fruity, gourmand, full, racy and offers a good minerality. It reveals notes of white peach and pear associated with discreet notes of citrus, minerality and a woody hint. The palate is fruity, incisive and offers a beautiful racy minerality (terroir) and an acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of lemon zest, white peach, lime and a touch of tangerine, white fruit associated with slight notes of minerality and a discreet woody touch. Good length and persistence with slight notes of lemon zest.

Score : 15.75

Chablis Grand Cru

Clotilde Davenne Les Clos 2013 Chablis Grand Cru

The nose is aromatic and relatively fresh. It reveals notes of apple, citrus and flint associated with slight notes of peach skin and a touch of rose. The palate is fruity, gourmand, balanced, quite fleshy and offers a small minerality. On the palate this wine expresses notes of white fruit, peach skin and slight notes of exotic fruit combined with touches of citrus and rose. Good length.

Score : 15.5

Domaine Nathalie & Gilles Fèvre Les Preuses 2013 Chablis Grand Cru

The nose is fruity, fresh and gourmand. It reveals notes of pineapple, sweet lemon and oyster shell associated with small notes of flowers, discreet notes of quince, a hint of beeswax and a touch of mirabelle plum. The palate is fruity, gourmand, round, elegant, beautifully defined, a bit aerial and offers a racy minerality. On the palate this wine expresses notes of pineapple, sweet lemon and slight notes of mirabelle plum associated with a hint of pear, peach as well as slight notes of small yellow fruits. Good length.

Score : 16.5

Bourgogne white wines

Chablis

Alain Geoffroy 2014

Chablis

The nose is fruity, relatively gourmand and offers a certain intensity. It reveals notes of crunchy vine peach, apple and slight notes of lemon acidulous candy associated with slight notes of mandarin as well as a hint of peach compote and a hint of flowers. The palate is fruity, gourmand, elegant, fresh and offers minerality and a small acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of pear, brugnon and slight notes of vine peach associated with discreet hints of mandarin, pink grapefruit as well as a slight touch of candy and a discreet toasted hint. Good length.

Score : 15

Alain Geoffroy Cuvée Vieilles Vignes élevée en fûts de chêne 2014

Chablis

The nose is fruity, relatively gourmand slightly discreet. It reveals notes of lemon, juicy peach and slight notes of tangerine associated with discreet touches of candy. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, relatively gourmand and offers bold, a small suavity, a small tension and a fresh / acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of lemon, pineapple and slight notes of citrus zest (lemon, grapefruit) associated with slight notes of white fruit (in the background) as well as a discreet hint of lychee, wood and rose. Good length.

Score : 16

Charly Nicolle Ancestrum 2014

Chablis

The nose is fruity, incisive, quite powerful and offers elegance. It reveals notes of pineapple, lemon and slight notes of tangerine associated with a hint of zest. The palate is fruity, gourmand and offers minerality, freshness and a beautiful acid / citrus zest frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of lemon zest clementine zest and ripe peach associated with a hint of pear and pineapple. Good length and persistence. There are slight notes almond (in background) and slight toasted notes on the finish.

Score : 15

Domaine Gueguen 2014

Chablis

The nose is fruity, fresh and gourmand. It reveals notes of lemon and mandarin combined with slight notes of white fruit (apple...) and oyster shell (limestone). The palate is fruity, racy, supple and offers a good minerality, a good precision of fruit and a fruity frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of lemon, mandarin and juicy vine peach combined with slight notes of exotic fruits (pineapple, passion fruit) as well as touches of minerality / hot stones. Good length.

Score : 15

Pascal Bouchard Les Vieilles Vignes 2014

Chablis

The nose is fruity and full. It reveals notes of ripe white fruit (nectarine, pear) combined with a touch of candied lemon, fresh mandarin and slight notes of toasted bread and a hint of minerality. The palate is fruity, gourmand, mineral and offers an acid frame, freshness and a certain finesse. On the palate this wine expresses notes of lemon, mandarin and slight hints of white fruit (nectarine, pear) combined with touches of apple skin, oyster shell (limestone) and a hint of exotic fruits (lychee, passion

fruit). Good length and persistence. There are notes of lemon zest.

Score : 15.5

Domaine Beaufumé 2014

Chablis

The nose reveals woody notes and smoky notes associated with notes of citrus (in background) as well as a hint of yellow fruits and straw / hay. The mouth is beautifully fruity (juicy fruit), well-balanced, quite fleshy and offers a good matter and a certain freshness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of lemon and mandarin combined with a touch of zest, small yellow fruit as well as slight notes of mango / apricot and fine / discreet touches of butter brioche.

Score : 15

Domaine Jolly et Fils 2014

Chablis

The nose is full and a bit discreet. It reveals notes of hay, quince and small yellow fruit combined with a hint of citrus, almond as well as slight notes of gray pepper and oak. The palate is fruity, relatively gourmand, suave and relatively fat. On the palate this wine expresses notes of lemon, nectarine and small yellow fruits (mango, mirabelle plum) associated with slight notes of citrus (tangerine, lemon) as well as a hint of spice and oak.

Score : 15

Rully

Vignobles Nathalie Theulot Vendanges 2014

Rully

The nose is fruity (good maturity) and gourmand. It reveals notes of peach compote and pear combined with slight notes of lemon, vine peach and a discreet touch of white flowers. The palate is fruity, gourmand, mineral, racy and offers a racy minerality (terroir) and an acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of lemon, pear and slight notes of white peach associated with a touch of passion fruit, a discreet hint of quinine and a discreet hint of toast / coconut. Good length.

Score : 15.25

Domaine Louis Max Les Plantenays 2014

Rully

The nose is elegant. It reveals notes of toasted bread and slight notes of ripe white fruits combined with a hint of nuts. The palate is elegant, fruity, racy, deep, balanced and offers a good acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses lemon zest, peach compote, vine peach and ripe white fruits combined with a few notes of citrus (lemon, clementine). Good length and fruity persistence with notes of toast / toasted bread.

Score : 15.25

Domaine Maurice Protheau Château d'Étroyes - les Fromanges 2014

Rully

The nose reveals notes of leather and slight note of white fruits combined with slight notes of citrus (lemon, clementine), zest as well as touches of minerality and flowers. The nose needs to be ventilated. The mouth is fruity, relatively fat, relatively fleshy and offers vivacity and a certain suavity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of peach compote, lemon and clementine zest associated with a few notes of pear, as well as slight touches of pineapple in the background. Good length.

Score : 15.5

Bourgogne white wines

Domaines des Rois Mages Clos du Moulin à Vent 2014

Rully

The nose is aromatic. It reveals notes of yellow fruit and fresh mango associated with slight notes of citrus, yellow flowers as well as a touch of spices (especially vanilla) and a hint of gray pepper. The palate is fruity, gourmand, relatively elegant, suave, relatively fat and offers small freshness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of mango, peach and slight notes of brugnion associated with touches of mirabelle plum, citrus as well as slight woody hints, beeswax (discreet) and a discreet hint of White pepper. Good length.

Score : 15

fruit (pear, peach). Good length.

Score : 15.75

Domaine Fougeray de Beauclair Les Meix 2014

Puligny Montrachet

The nose is fruity, elegant, racy, straight and quite intensity / powerful. It reveals notes of mirabelle plum and small yellow stone fruits associated touches of peach, citrus as well as slight notes of dried fruit / muesli / almond and a discreet toasted note. The palate is fruity, gourmand, elegant, suave, well-balanced, racy, relatively aerial, quite straight and offers minerality and a small smoothness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of small yellow fruit, yellow peach and slight notes of citrus associated with touches of quenette / exotic fruits as well as slight notes of vanilla on the finish. Good length.

Score : 16.25

Other Bourgogne

Domaine Pavelot 2014

Corton Charlemagne Grand Cru

The nose is aromatic, elegant, racy and relatively concentrated. It reveals notes of yellow peach combined with hints of citrus, almond, toasted notes and small oaky notes. The nose is slightly dusty. The palate is fruity, gourmand, elegant, racy and offers a small freshness, balance, suavity and a beautiful matter. On the palate this wine expresses notes of nectarine and small notes of citrus (lemon, mandarin) combined with a touch of nectarine, mirabelle plum as well as slight hints of beeswax and slight woody notes. Good length and persistence with slight toasted notes and slight notes of mirabelle plum.

Score : 16



Louis Jadot Clos des Guettes 2014

Savigny-Lès-Beaune

The nose is aromatic and relatively elegant. It reveals notes of fresh fruits, small yellow fruit and toasted notes associated with slight touches of citrus as well as a hint of vanilla and butter. The palate is fruity, gourmand, elegant, racy, suave, harmonious, quite gourmand and offers minerality, a nice matter, a small freshness, a small creaminess, a small tension and a small acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed pear, mirabelle plum and slight notes of citrus associated with small notes of brugnion as well as a touch of vanilla, toast and butter. Good length.

Score : 16

Clotilde Davenne 2015

Petit Chablis

The nose is fruity, relatively elegant and a bit gourmand. It reveals notes of white fruit, peach and slight notes of citrus (tangerine, pink grapefruit). The palate is fruity, gourmand, elegant, racy, well structured, relatively fat and offers minerality and suavity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of lemon, pink grapefruit and slight notes of vine peach associated with a discreet hint of candy as well as a discreet touch of tangerine and white



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Rosé de Provence

Château de Berne Rosé 2015

Côtes de Provence

(80% Grenache, 20% Cinsault)

The nose is fruity, gourmand, clear and relatively elegant. It reveals notes of strawberry and sweet citrus (tangerine, lemon) associated with touches of peach and quenette as well as a discreet touch of apricot. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, relatively gourmand and offers a small freshness (in the background). On the palate this wine expresses notes of red fruit (strawberry, raspberry) associated with touches of peach compote, passion fruit as well as a hint of crystallized clementine and a very discreet touch of apricot. Good length.

Score : 15.25

Pure Mirabeau 2015

Côtes de Provence

(60% Grenache, 40% Syrah)

The nose is fruity, relatively gourmand and elegant. It reveals notes of raspberry candy combined with a touch of passion fruit, white fruit, cherry as well as a few slight notes of citrus (in the background) and cranberry. The palate is fruity, relatively fat and offers a small minerality, a small freshness and a certain suavity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of strawberry acidulous candy, notes of passion fruit and slight notes of clementine associated with touches of lemon, a hint of pink grapefruit and cherry. Good length.

Score : 15

Mas de Cadenet 2015

Côtes de Provence

Sainte-Victoire

(40% Grenache, 40% Cinsault, 20% Syrah)

The nose is fruity, gourmand and relatively elegant. It reveals notes of wild strawberry candy and ripe citrus (lemon, pink grapefruit) combined with a touch of white fruits and a hint of flowers. The palate is fruity, gourmand, suave, relatively elegant, relatively deep and offers a small mineral frame in the background (discreet). On the palate this wine expresses notes of red fruit (strawberry, raspberry) associated with slight notes of mandarin, lemon and peach combined with a touch of exotic fruits as well as very slight floral notes. Good length.

Score : 15.5

Mirabeau en Provence 2015

Côtes de Provence

(60% Syrah, 40% Grenache)

The nose is fruity and relatively fresh. It reveals notes of fresh cherries and white fruit associated with slight notes of strawberry, citrus (grapefruit, mandarin) and a discreet touch zest. The palate is fruity, relatively fat, a bit gourmand and offers freshness, a small fresh / fruity frame and suavity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of candied strawberry, raspberry and slight notes of passion fruit combined with touches of candied citrus. Good length.

Score : 15.5

Château des Bertrands 2015

Côtes de Provence

(80% Cinsault, Grenache 20%)

The nose is fruity, gourmand and relatively fine and fresh. It reveals notes of raspberry, flowers and quenette associated with a touch of citrus and a discreet touch of zests. The palate is fruity, suave, relatively gourmand, relatively fat and offers freshness, minerality and a good volume. On the palate this wine expresses notes of raspberry and slight notes of passion fruit combined with touches of quenette and a touch of citrus (tangerine, lemon). Good length.

Score : 15

Château de Montaud 2015

Côtes de Provence

The nose is aromatic and relatively elegant. It reveals notes of raspberry, redcurrant and slight notes of lychee associated with a hint of citrus and a discreet touch of flowers. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, a bit gourmand and offers some freshness and juiciness. On the palate this

wine expresses notes of strawberry candy, ripe cherry and slight notes of lychee associated with a hint of quenette, a discreet hint of lemon and a discreet touch of mandarin. Good length.

Score : 14.5

Château Coussin 2015

Côtes de Provence

Sainte-Victoire

The nose is aromatic and relatively fine. It reveals notes of nectarine, pear, redcurrant and slight notes of fresh cherry associated with a hint of citrus, rose and boxwood. The palate is fresh, racy and well-balanced, well defined and offers minerality. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy nectarine (brugnon), fleshy strawberry and slight notes of quenette associated with small notes of citrus (lemon, pink grapefruit) as well as a discreet touch of clementine zest and a touch of rose. Good length.

Score : 16

Château Vannières 2015

Côtes de Provence

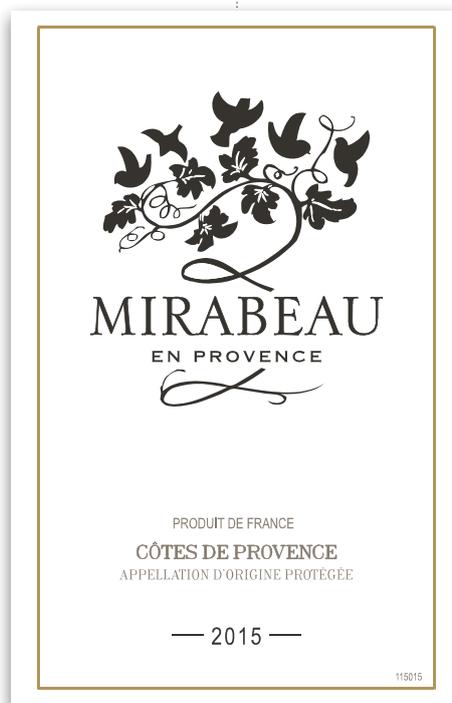
The nose is fruity, fresh, relatively incisive and a bit gourmand. It reveals notes of red fruits and peach associated with slight touches of clementine and quenette. The palate is fruity, well-structured, relatively elegant, relatively gourmand and offers a good matter and freshness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of raspberry and slight notes of fleshy strawberry associated with touches of juicy yellow peach, candied clementine as well as a hint of candied pink grapefruit and a touch of quenette. Good length.

Score : 15.5

Château Coussin César à Sumeire 2015

Côtes de Provence Sainte-Victoire

The nose is fruity, relatively fresh, relatively gourmand. It reveals notes of red fruits, candied strawberry and slight notes of raspberry associated with slight notes of the passion fruit candy, flowers as well as a discreet touch of white fruits and tangerine. The palate is fruity, relatively fat and



Rosé de Provence

offers a small freshness, a certain suavity, a good volume and a small racy minerality. On the palate this wine expresses notes of candied strawberry, raspberry and slight notes of passion fruit candy combined with a touch of crystallized citrus. Good length.

Score : 14.75

Château Maupague 2015 Côtes de Provence Sainte-Victoire

The nose is fruity, gourmand and relatively full. It reveals notes of fresh red fruit, white fruit and lychee associated with a discreet touch of lime (in the background) and flowers. The palate is fruity, balanced, relatively gourmand and offers some freshness and a small acid / fruity frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of red fruits (raspberry, wild strawberry) and nectarine associated with touches of ripe white fruit, passion fruit and a touch of lychee. Good length.

Score : 15.25

Château Roubine Inspire 2014 Cru Classé Côtes de Provence

(90% Tibouren, 10% Clairette)

The nose is aromatic and relatively fine. It reveals notes of nectarine combined with a touch of litchi, slight touches of red fruit and a slight hint of toasted bread / smoke. The palate is fruity, balanced, relatively fat and offers a certain elegance and suavity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of candy, nectarine and slight notes of passion fruit combined with hints of red fruit. Good length.

Score : 15.5

Domaine Pinchinat 2015 Côtes de Provence

The nose is fruity, gourmand and slightly discreet. It reveals notes of raspberry candy, cherry and slight notes of clementine associated with a discreet touch of pink grapefruit. The palate is fruity, gourmand, elegant, fat and offers a beautiful matter, suavity, a small freshness and good fruity expression. On the palate this wine expresses notes of raspberry candy, clementine and slight notes of pink grapefruit associated with a fine hint of zest. Good length.

Score : 15

Château Oasis 2015 Côtes de Provence

The nose is aromatic and relatively fine. It reveals notes of raspberry and fresh cherry associated with discreet notes of white fruit. The palate is fruity, relatively fat and offers suavity, minerality / freshness and a good definition / structure. On the palate this wine expresses notes of raspberry candy, cherry and slight notes of peach compote associated with touches of pear. Good length.

Score : 14.75

Château Vignelaure 2015 Côteaux d'Aix en Provence

(40% Grenache, 30% Syrah, 30% Cabernet Sauvignon)

The nose is fruity and relatively elegant. It reveals notes of wild strawberry acidulous candy, redcurrant and slight notes of raspberry associated with a

discreet touch of flowers. The palate is nicely mineral, suave, relatively fat and offers freshness, a good definition and an acid frame (in the background). On the palate this wine expresses notes of strawberry, raspberry and slight notes of redcurrant candy associated with a slight touch of blackberry and white fruit compote (nectarine, pear). Good length and persistence.

Score : 15.25

Château L'Afrique 2015 Côtes de Provence

The nose is fruity. It reveals notes of redcurrant associated with notes of fresh cherry, small notes of yellow fruit and a touch of boxwood. The palate is fruity, juicy, fresh, balanced, relatively fat and relatively gourmand. On the palate this wine expresses notes of redcurrant and wild strawberry associated with slight touches of cherry candy, nectarine (discreet) and a discreet touch of citrus (in the background). Good length.

Score : 14.75

Château Margilliere Cuvée Bastide 2015 AOP Côteaux Varois en Provence

The nose is fruity, gourmand, relatively fine and elegant. It reveals notes of raspberry and slight notes of strawberry associated with small notes of citrus (lemon, mandarin) and a discreet hint of peach. The palate is fruity, gourmand, elegant, well-structured and relatively mineral. On the palate this wine expresses notes of strawberry, raspberry and slight notes of cherry associated with slight touches of mandarin and ripe peach. Good length.

Score : 16

Bandol

Domaine Souviou 2015 Bandol

(30% Mourvedre, 40% Cinsault, Grenache 30%)

The nose is aromatic and elegant. It reveals notes of small fruits, citrus and olive associated with slight hints of exotic fruits. The palate is fruity, gourmand, racy and offer minerality and a nice definition. On the palate this wine expresses notes of small fruits, hints of mirabelle plum, mango and passion fruit combined with discreet touches of olive, slight notes of strawberry (in the background) and a discreet touch of sweet citrus (clementine, lemon). Good length. A gourmand and harmonious wine.

Score : 15

Château de la Rouvière 2015 Bandol

The nose is fruity and relatively gourmand. It reveals notes of passion fruit, quenette and slight notes of sweet citrus combined with a hint of red fruit and a discreet touch of olive / scrubland. The palate is fruity, relatively gourmand and offers a nice silky matter and freshness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of passion fruit and quenette associated with a touch of peach compote, slight notes of small fruits as well as a hint of red berries and a discreet touch of sweet citrus.

Score : 15.25



Bandol

Moulin des Costes 2015

Bandol

The nose is fruity and gourmand and relatively fine. It reveals notes of small fruits combined with a touch of passion fruit and a discreet touch of raspberry candy. The palate is fruity, well structured, relatively gourmand, relatively fat and offers a good volume, a good definition, a good matter and suavity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of passion fruit and small fruits associated with slight touches of apricot, quenette (discreet) as well as a hint of candied citrus and a very slight hint of raspberry (in the background). Good length.

Score : 15

Château Canadel 2015

Bandol

(60% Mourvèdre, 35% Cinsault, 5% Grenache)

The nose is fruity and gourmand. It reveals notes of passion fruit, cherry candy and slight notes of quenette associated with a touch of small white fruit. The palate is fruity, relatively gourmand, well structured, quite ample and offers a small fresh frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of passion fruit, quenette and raspberry candy associated with small touches of sweet citrus as well as a touch of physalis and discreet hint of salinity. Good length.

Score : 14.5

Château Vannières 2015

Bandol

The nose is aromatic. It reveals notes of ripe fruit, small yellow fruits and slight notes of mirabelle plum associated with a hint of citrus and boxwood (discreet). The palate is fruity, well-balanced, a bit gourmand, a bit fat and offers suavity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of passion fruit and stone fruits associated with slight touches of cherry, a hint of lychee as well as a discreet note of citrus and a hint of almond. Good length.

Score : 14.75

Mas de la Rouvière 2015

Bandol

(30% Cinsault, 30% Grenache, 40% Mourvedre)

The nose is fruity, gourmand, frank and relatively elegant. It reveals notes of passion fruits and slight notes of small fruits associated with a hint of apricot as well as slight touches of sweet cherry. The palate is fruity, balanced, racy, relatively gourmand and offers freshness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of strawberry, passion fruit, white peach and slight notes of small fruits associated with touches of quenette and a discreet touch of sweet citrus. Good length.

Score : 14.75

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New Zealand

**Saint Clair Family Estate
Sauvignon Blanc 2015 - Premium
Marlborough**

The nose is fruity, aromatic, relatively rich / gourmand and relatively elegant. It reveals notes of citrus (lemon, mandarin, a hint of white grapefruit), nectarine and slight notes of lychee associated with a discreet saline note. The palate is fruity, elegant, unctuous, gourmand, well defined and offers fat, juicy fruit, a small acid frame and a beautiful matter. On the palate this wine expresses notes of citrus, nectarine and slight notes of lychee associated with slight notes of white fruit as well as discreet notes of mandarin zest and passion fruit on the finish. Good length.

Score : 15.75

**Saint Clair Family Estate
Pioneer Block 5 - Pinot Noir 2013
Bull Block**

Marlborough, Omaka Valley

The nose is fruity, aromatic, relatively fine and offers a small concentration. It reveals slight notes of cassis, cassis bud, blackberry and blueberry combined with a touch of liquorice, Ceylon tea as well as a hint of gray pepper and a grilled touch. The palate is fruity, mineral, "clean", straight, well-defined, well-built and offers a quite silky matter. On the palate this wine expresses notes of strawberry, blackberry, raspberry and cassis combined with slight notes of black cherry, a discreet note of purple fig and small touches of liquorice. Good length. Tannins are well built.

Score : 15.5

**Saint Clair Family Estate
Pioneer Block 3
Sauvignon Blanc 2015**

Marlborough, Dillons Point

The nose is fruity, gourmand and relatively elegant. It reveals notes of citrus (lemon, mandarin, a touch of grapefruit) and passion fruit combined with a touch of pineapple, quenette as well as slight notes of papaya and Granny Smith apple. The palate is suave, fruity, quite elegant, well-balanced, racy and offers an unctuous matter, fat, harmony and an acid frame.

On the palate this wine expresses notes of white fruit and passion fruit combined with slight notes of quenette, citrus, apple and a discreet note of lemon zest on the persistence. Good length and persistence.

Score : 16

**Murdoch James
Estate Sauvignon Blanc 2015
Martinborough**

The nose is aromatic and quite fine. It reveals notes of ripe white fruit, lychee and slight notes of exotic fruit combined with a touch of citrus, lime zest (discreet) and rose. The palate is fruity, relatively gourmand, well-balanced, relatively fat and offers a good definition. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe white fruit (pear, nectarine) combined with a touch of lychee, quenette as well as a hint of apple skin and citrus. Good length.

Score : 15

**Murdoch James - Rhiannon
Pinot Meunier Rosé 2013
Martinborough**

The nose is fruity. It reveals notes of strawberry acidulous candy, blackberry and slight notes of nectarine associated with a discreet hint of citrus. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers minerality, fat and a certain suavity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of redcurrant candy, raspberry, flat peach and slight notes of citrus associated with hints of cherry, cherry stems as well as slight touches of rose (in the background). Good length.

Score : 14.25

**Murdoch James - Blue Rock
Syrah 2014**

Martinborough

The nose is aromatic. It reveals notes of flowers (iris, lilac), sour cherry and cherry associated with slight notes of raspberry, spices (gray pepper, camphor, anise) and a hint of tobacco. The mouth is aromatic,

gourmand, well-balanced and offers an acid / fruity frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of cherry, cassis and flowers (iris, lilac) associated with slight notes of blackberry, plum and discreet notes of sweet spices. Tannins are well-built. This wine needs to be carafed.

Score : 14.75

**Babich - Sauvignon Blanc
2015**

Marlborough

The nose is fruity, aromatic, clear and relatively powerful and elegant. It reveals notes of flat peach and tropical fruit combined with a hint of quenette, lemon and a hint of minerality. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, racy and offers a good matter, freshness, minerality, a small suavity and fat. On the palate this wine expresses notes of flat peach, exotic fruits (passion fruit, quenette) and slight notes of lemon combined with a touch of zest. Good length and persistence.

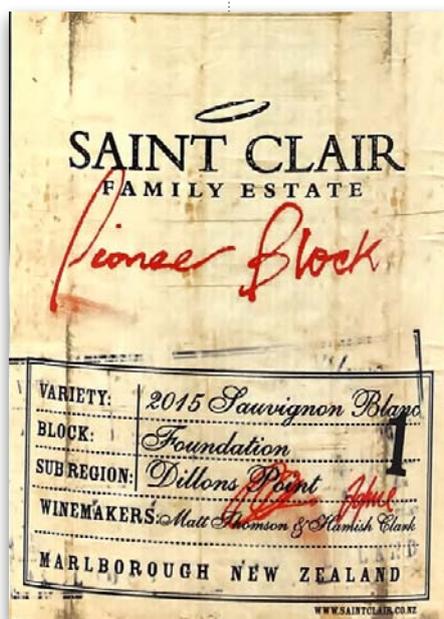
Score : 15

**Babich - Black Label
Pinot Noir 2014**

Marlborough

The nose is fruity, relatively fine and relatively gourmand. It reveals notes of cherry, cassis cream and plum combined with floral notes (iris, rose) as well as a note of raspberry and a discreet touch of nutmeg. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, racy, fluid, relatively fat and offers a slightly creamy matter, a small minerality (in the background) and harmony. On the palate this wine expresses notes of blackberry, Quetsche plum and slight notes of cassis cream associated with touches of strawberry jam, raspberry, flower (violet, lilac) as well as slight touches of sweet spices and a discreet note of mocha. Tannins are fine and well-built. Good length and persistence with notes of toast and a touch of toasted bread.

Score : 15



New Zealand

Babich - The Patriarch 2013 Gimblett gravels Hawke's Bay

(Cabernet Sauvignon 49%, Malbec 27% and Merlot 24%) The nose is fruity, elegant and relatively fine. It reveals notes of blackberry, blueberry and slight notes of cassis associated with slight notes of violet, a hint of red fruit, a discreet note of saline minerality as well as a hint of sweet spice and a discreet woody touch. The palate is fruity, fluid, velvety, well-balanced, mineral, racy, relatively fat and quite elegant. On the palate this wine expresses notes of blackberry, cassis and plum associated with discreet notes of red fruit (strawberry, small berries, a hint of cherry), a small note of salinity, rocky minerality, sweet spices as well as discreet woody notes and a slight / discreet hint of vanilla. Tannins are fine and supple. Good length and aromatic persistence. A harmonious wine.

Score : 15.25

Akitu - A1 Pinot Noir 2014 Central Otago

The nose is aromatic, relatively powerful and relatively intense. It reveals notes of sour cherry, cassis and slight notes of plum associated with slight touches of warm strawberry, spices (a slight note of cardamom, a hint of Sichuan pepper ...) and a mineral touch. The palate is fruity, relatively gourmand, mineral, well-balanced and relatively elegant. On the palate this wine expresses notes of cherry, plum and slight notes of blackberry associated with slight notes of cassis juice, red berries as well as slight touches of spices (cardamom, a hint of zan, slight touches of tobacco), a discreet woody touch and discreet earthy notes. Tannins are well-built. Good length.

Score : 15

Petit Clos by Clos Henri Sauvignon Blanc 2015 Marlborough

The nose is aromatic and fresh. It reveals notes of flat peach associated with slight notes of Granny Smith apple, Golden apple, flint as well as touches of citrus, discreet hints of exotic fruits and discreet spices. The palate is fruity, gourmand, elegant and offers a small minerality. On the palate this wine expresses notes of exotic fruits (passion fruit, lychee) combined with slight touches of mango, tangerine and a hint of lemon zest. Good length.

Score : 15

Clos Henri Sauvignon Blanc 2014 Marlborough

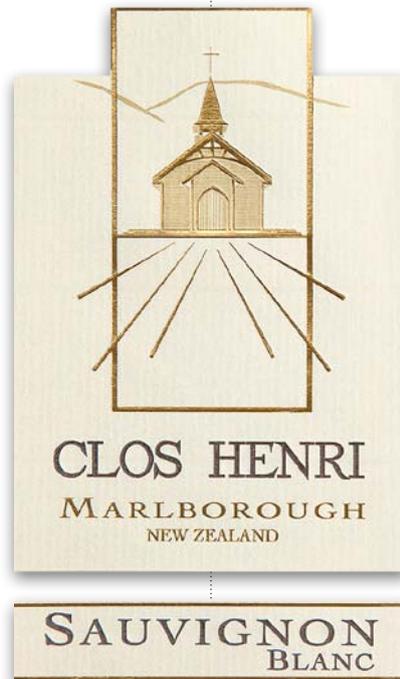
The nose is fruity, fresh, fine and offers a small concentration. It reveals notes of fresh white fruit associated with small notes of fresh citrus, flint as well as a discreet touch of mint and litchi. The palate is fruity, fresh, racy, well-balanced, relatively fat and offers a small minerality, a small elegance, a beautiful volume, and a certain intensity / concentration. On the palate this wine expresses notes of white fruit (apple, nectarine) and citrus associated with small notes of lychee as well as slight touches of fresh mango. Good length.

Score : 15.5

Clos Marguerite Sauvignon blanc 2015 Marlborough

The nose is fruity, elegant and relatively concentrated. It reveals notes of vine peach, exotic fruits (passion, papaya) associated with slight notes of flowers (white flowers and rose), citrus and a touch of minerality. The palate is fruity, gourmand, elegant, mineral, racy, well-balanced and offers a good concentration and a beautiful matter. On the palate this wine expresses notes of white fruits, flowers and passion fruit combined with a touch of quenette, discreet touches of citrus zest, apple skin and a slight note of flowers peach. Good length.

Score : 16.25



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Porto

White Port

Kopke - 30 Years Old White Port

The nose reveals notes of orange peel, caramel and slight notes of dried fruit associated with a few slight notes of roasted apricot (in the background) as well as slight notes of Zante currant. The palate is fruity, elegant, fresh, mineral and offers a beautiful structure and fat. In the mouth this Porto expresses notes of orange crystallized and caramel associated with slight notes of peach, pâtisserie, walnuts, candied citrus (lemon, mandarin, orange) as well as a few slight notes of crème brûlée (in the background), a few discreet notes of lemon (in the background) and slight notes of roasted hazelnut on the finish / aftertaste. Good length.

Score : 18

Butler Nephew & Co Port 10 years Old White Port

The nose is fruity, fine and offer a small freshness. It reveals notes of candied white fruit (pear ...), candied lemon, yellow plum and slight notes of caramel, prunes combined with touches of sweet spices, a hint of oak as well as a discreet touch of almond and coffee. The palate is fruity, relatively gourmand and offers freshness, fat, a small bright side, a good definition / precision and a good volume. On the palate this wine expresses notes of candied plum, honey and slight notes of candied plum associated with touches of candied citrus, a hint of caramel as well as discreet touches of dried fruits and blond tobacco. Good length with slight notes of fresh walnuts and a touch of almond.

Score : 16.5

Vieira de Sousa - 10 years Old White Port

The nose is fruity, aromatic, elegant and relatively gourmand. It reveals notes of Zante currant, dates and candied orange associated with fine notes of candied lemon, candied mandarin, as well as discreet notes of walnuts and a hint of spice. The palate is fruity, gourmand, well-balanced, round, well-structured and offers a beautiful fat, large, relatively unctuous and elegant matter. On the palate this Porto expresses notes of candied peach, candied citrus (mandarin, orange) and slight notes of dates associated with a discreet note of dried fig, honey, walnuts and a discreet hint of crushed hazelnuts. Good length and persistence.

Score : 16.5

Poças Júnior - Spécial Reserva Dry White Port

The nose reveals notes of dried fruit (grape, apricot ...) associated with fine notes of orange zest, mirabelle plum, walnut and a touch of nutmeg and hazelnut. The palate is fruity, fresh, mineral, nicely dense, quite gourmand and offers a nice matter. In the mouth this Porto expresses notes of banana, notes of white fruits and walnuts associated with slight woody notes, fine notes of nougat (in background) as well as slight notes of mirabelle plum, flowers, vanilla and physalis. There is a fine note of alcohol in the background. Good length.

Score : 15.5

Tawny - 10 years old

Butler Nephew & Co Port 10 years Old Tawny Port

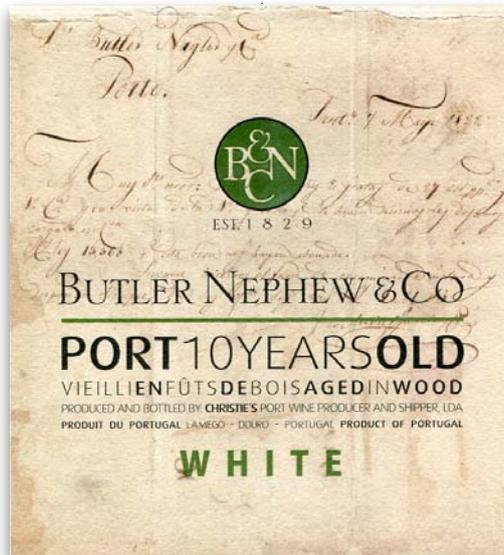
The nose is fruity, aromatic, quite elegant and relatively powerful. It reveals notes of candied fruit and a touch of caramel associated with hints of muesli and hazelnuts. The palate is fruity, gourmand, suave, round, elegant as well as beautifully balanced and structured. Beautiful volume. In mouth this Porto expresses notes of candied red fruit (cherry, raspberry) associated with touches of cassis, plum and slight touches of honey, a touch of caramel as well as a hint of hazelnut and fresh walnuts. Good length. The finish is a bit powerful.

Score : 15.75

Casa Santa Eufêmia 10 Years Old Tawny Port

The nose is aromatic, relatively concentrated and relatively powerful. It reveals notes of cherry, blackberry and candied strawberry associated with a fine touch of cherry in kirsch as well as slight notes of Sichuan pepper, dried fruit / walnuts and spices. The palate is fruity, gourmand, fresh, relatively mineral, relatively fat and offers a small tension, a certain depth as well as a nice, silky and full matter. In the mouth this Porto expresses notes of candied strawberry, cherry and blackberry associated with discreet notes of dried fig as well as a touch of caramel, honey and dried fruit / walnuts. Good length.

Score : 16.25



Portal - 10 year's Old Tawny Port

The nose is aromatic and a bit powerful. It reveals notes of cooked fruit and honey combined with a touch of candied citrus, a touch of Tarte Tatin and a hint of caramel as well as a slight / discreet note of hazelnut. The palate is fruity, gourmand, well-balanced, quite elegant, well-built, relatively unctuous and offers a good structure, freshness and a fruity frame. In mouth this Porto expresses notes of cooked fruit (peach, apricot) associated with slight notes of candied citrus, a touch of honey, dried fruit and a hint of date. Good length.

Score : 16.25

Feuerheerd's 10 year's old Tawny Port

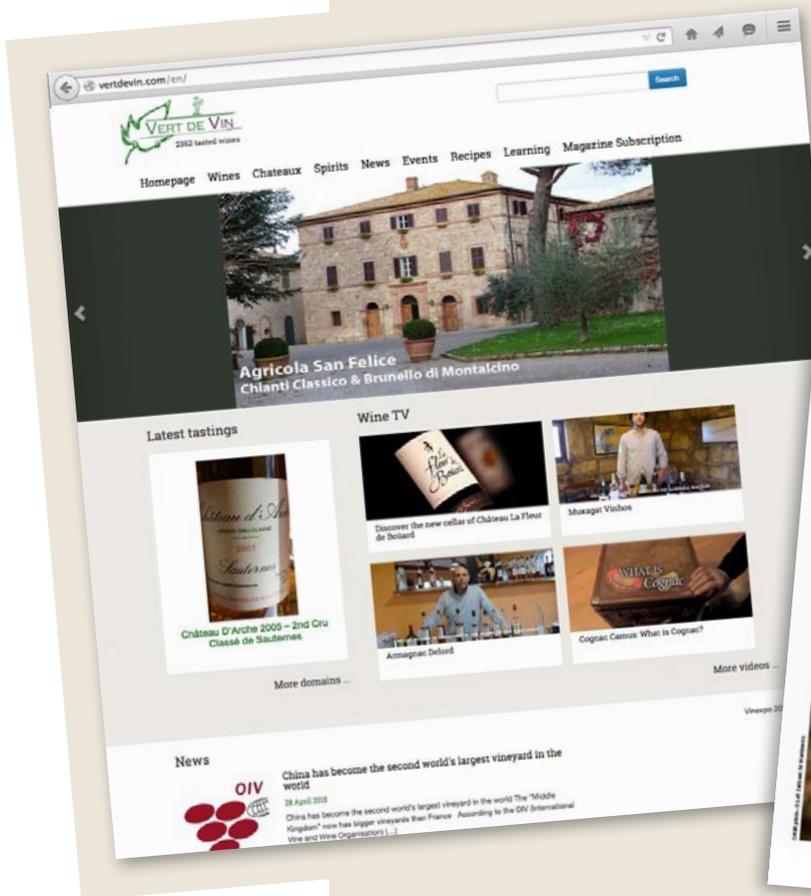
The nose is aromatic and relatively intense. It reveals notes of fruit in syrup (peach, pear, plum) associated with slight notes of tobacco, dried fruit as well as a discreet hint of honey and a touch of spice. The palate is fruity, fresh, gourmand, intense, well structured, elegant and offers a nice fleshy matter. In mouth this Porto expresses notes of candied white fruit and candied peach associated with slight notes of candied mandarin, apricot as well as small notes of honey, bright yellow fruit and dried fruit / walnuts. Good length and persistence in the mouth with notes of candied fruit and a touch of walnuts. The finish is relatively powerful.

Score : 16



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Porto

Ramos Pinto Quinta de Ervamoira - 10 year's Old Tawny Port

The nose is powerful and elegant. It reveals notes of candied fruit (peach, orange, a touch of apricot), plum and slight notes of cooked honey associated with slight notes of dried fruit / almond and a discreet woody touch. The palate is fruity, balanced, gourmand, elegant and offers suavity and a nice matter. In the mouth this Porto expresses notes of candied white fruits, candied citrus (orange, lemon) and slight notes of plum combined with touches of honey, caramelized / cooked apricot as well as slight notes of dried fruit in the background. Good length.

Score : 16.5

Quinta da Romaneira - 10 years Old Tawny Port

The nose is fruity, delicate and relatively concentrated. It reveals notes of cherry, plum, fruit in syrup and slight notes of tea associated with fine notes of dried fruits and a hint of oriental pâtisseries / spices. The palate is fruity, gourmand, fresh, relatively fat and offers a beautiful silky matter and a beautiful precision of the fruit. In the mouth this Porto expresses notes of plums, candied cherries and touches of candied citrus associated with a discreet note of prunes, walnuts, Brazil nuts, cooked honey and dried fruit. Good length.

Score : 16

Ferreira - Quinta do Porto 10 years Old Tawny Port

The nose is fruity and relatively concentrated. It reveals notes of Quetsche plum, candied fruit (cherry, peach) and slight notes of honey associated with small touches of brazil nut / almond. The palate is fruity, mineral, gourmand, fleshy and offers a nice matter. On the palate this wine expresses notes of prune, candied / cooked cherry associated with discreet touches of candied citrus, a hint of honey as well as discreet notes of walnut / hazelnut on the finish. The finish is relatively suave. Good length.

Score : 15.5

Rozès Infanta Isabel - 10 years Old Tawny Port

The nose is powerful and fruity. It reveals notes of cherries, dried strawberries and candied fruit associated with slight notes of honey, citrus as well as very fine notes of dried fruit and a hint of fig. The palate is fruity, gourmand, right, mineral, well-structured, elegant and provides a certain tension. In the mouth this Porto expresses notes of candied plum, candied strawberry and touches of candied orange associated with notes of walnut, hazelnut, discreet notes of toasted oak and slight notes of candied pear. Good length and aromatic persistence.

Score : 15.75

Poças Júnior - 10 years Old Tawny Port

The nose is fresh and offers a certain finesse. It reveals notes of dried fruits, raisin and slight notes of caramel associated with a touch of plum and oak. The palate is fruity, mineral, fresh, suave and offers a beautiful acid frame and a nice matter. In mouth this Porto expresses notes of yellow fruit, peach and quince associated with small notes of orange, a fine note of clementine as well as a few notes of hazelnut and coffee on the finish. Good length.

Score : 15.25

Tawny - 20 years old

Butler Nephew & Co Port 20 years Old Tawny Port

The nose is fine, elegant and offers a small concentration and harmony. It reveals notes of dried fruit, caramel and a touch of plum associated with a hint of candied cherry as well as discreet notes of dried fruit. The palate is fruity, gourmand, quite elegant, well-balanced, relatively fat and offers a small concentration. In the mouth this Porto expresses notes of candied plum and candied citrus (orange) associated with touches of prunes, caramel as well as a hint of rancio and slight touches of spice. Good length and persistence. The aftertaste is a bit powerful.

Score : 16.25

Portal 20 Years Old Tawny Port

The nose is fruity, a bit powerful and offers a small freshness. It reveals notes of candied citrus, dry orange, dried apricot and slight notes of honey, fig as well as discreet notes of almond. The palate is fruity, gourmand, well-balanced, elegant and offers a small fruity frame and a very discreet acidity. In the mouth this Porto expresses notes of candied peach and slight notes of apricot associated with touches of candied orange, slight notes of honey, fig, a hint of candied mirabelle plum, a discreet hint of pear as well as slight touches of dried fruits / hazelnuts on the finish / persistence. A small touch of alcohol on the finish. Good length.

Score : 16.25

Ramos Pinto Quinta do Bom Retiro - 20 years old Tawny Port

The nose is fruity, fine and elegant. It reveals notes of candied citrus, dried figs and slight notes of date, apricot associated with slight notes of honey and discreets touches of almond. The palate is fruity, relatively mineral, elegant, fat, round, straight, frank and offers a beautiful matter. In the mouth this Porto expresses notes of candied citrus (orange, lemon) and slight notes of fruit in syrup associated with fine notes of dried apricot, almond, dates and dried fruit / walnuts / almond on the finish. Good length and aromatic persistence.

Score : 16.75

Taylor's - 20 years Old Tawny Port

The nose is fruity and powerful. It reveals notes of fruit combined with touches of cherry, jam and slight notes of walnuts (in the background) and hazelnuts. The palate is fruity, fresh, fat, relatively rich, quite elegant and offers a slight oxidative side. In the mouth this wine expresses notes of candied citrus combined with a few notes of nut, slight notes of cherry and slight notes of hazelnut. Good length.

Score : 16.25

Quinta do Noval 20 years old Tawny Port

The nose reveals notes of caramel, walnuts, prunes and dried fruits (pear, apricot, black cherry). The palate is elegant, aromatic and quite gourmand. It expresses notes of citrus, dried fruits (especially apricots), pear, fresh walnuts, prunes and slight notes of caramel. Good length!

Score : 17

Porto

Tawny - 30 years old

Butler Nephew & Co Port 30 years Old Tawny Port

The nose is fine, fruity and elegant. It reveals notes of prunes, caramel and small notes of candied fruit combined with a touch of dried fruit and a discreet hint of dark chocolate. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, elegant, well-structured, relatively gourmand and offers minerality, fat, suavity and a beautiful volume. In mouth this Porto expresses notes of caramel, candied fruit (plum, tangerine, strawberry) and slight notes of dried fruit associated with a hint of Zante currant, a hint of wood, a discreet touch of chocolate, a slight hint of espresso as well as discreet notes of almond on the finish. Good length and persistence. The aftertaste is slightly powerful.

Score : 17.25

Ramos Pinto 30 years Old Tawny Tawny Port

The nose is fruity, elegant, relatively fresh and relatively powerful. It reveals notes of candied citrus combined with slight notes of fruit in syrup (peach and apple), a touch of orange peel as well as slight notes of walnuts. The palate is fruity, gourmand, elegant, fine, balanced, a bit fat and offers a good volume as well as a beautiful silky and slightly velvety matter. In the mouth this Porto expresses notes of candied citrus (orange, lemon), peach in syrup, Tarte Tatin and slight notes of honey combined with a discreet touch of caramel, as well as small notes of nuts (walnuts, hazelnut and a discreet hint of macadamia nuts).

Score : 17

S. Leonardo - 30 anos Quinta do Mourao Tawny Port

The nose is full and aromatic. It reveals notes of peach in syrup, candied plum and candied orange associated with fine notes of honey, roasted apricot as well as discreet notes of walnut and almond. The palate is fruity, gourmand, elegant, well-balanced, relatively fresh in attack and offers a beautiful matter as well as a good definition and intensity. In the mouth this Porto expresses notes of candied orange, peach in syrup and apricot associated with slight notes of Pomme d'Amour, dates, honey and dried fruits. Beautiful persistence in the mouth.

Score : 17.25

Quinta do Estanho 30 anos Tawny Port

The nose is aromatic and relatively incisive. It reveals notes of honey, mirabelle plum and candied citrus (orange, mandarin) associated with a discreet hint of physalis and a touch of fresh walnuts. The palate is fruity, gourmand, fresh, balanced and offers a small aerial side. In the mouth this Porto expresses notes of yellow plum, candied orange and slight notes of candied brugnion associated with slight notes of honey, candied lemon, dried apricot and dried fruits (almonds, walnuts). Good length and aromatic persistence.

Score : 16.75

Tawny - 40 years old

Maynard's 40 Year's Old Tawny Port

The nose is elegant, fine and offers a small concentration. It reveals notes of plum, fruit in syrup, candied orange zest and slight notes of prune associated with fine notes of caramel, a discreet note of candied lemon and fine notes of dried fruit. The palate is fruity, gourmand, fine, elegant and offers a beautiful small acid frame in the background. In the mouth this Porto expresses notes of candied citrus (lemon, clementine) associated with fine notes of candied white fruit (apple, peach), a touch of plum, honey, a discreet hint of candied lemon zest, spices and nuts / dried fruit. Good length. The finish is relatively rich.

Score : 17.25

Burmester - Tordiz 40 year Old Tawny Port

The nose is aromatic and elegant. It reveals notes of dried fruit and yellow fruit combined with touches of quince, honey, slight notes of leather and spices (cardamom, pepper ...). The palate is fruity, fresh, suave and quite gourmand. In the mouth this Porto expresses notes of lemon paste, quince paste and slight notes of apricot associated with fine notes of candy as well as fine notes of spices, nutmeg and leather. Good length.

Score : 16.25

Taylor's 40 Year Old Tawny Port

The nose is elegant, fine, straight, intense and offers fine concentration. It reveals notes of dried fruit and caramel associated with a few notes of cherries (in the background), slight notes of candied citrus (lemon, orange) as well as slight notes of cedar wood, honey, nutmeg, hazelnut and hint of alcohol. The palate is fruity, mineral, fresh, fat, relatively rich and elegant. In the mouth this wine expresses notes of plum and slight notes of caramel associated with slight notes of cherry (in the background), fine notes of citrus, dried fruit and a touch of roasted hazelnut. Good length.

Score : 17.5

Quinta do Noval Over Forty Year Old 40 Years Old Tawny Port

The nose is elegant, fine and beautifully aromatic. It reveals notes of caramel, dried fruit and dried citrus associated with slight notes of walnut, almond, hazelnut and a fine note of candied orange zest. The palate is fruity, elegant, fine, rich, fat and fleshy. In the mouth it expresses notes of dried apricot, dried fruits, dried orange and slight notes of walnuts. Good length and persistence.

Score : 17.25

Porto

Colheita / Lbv / Garrafeira

Krohn 1976 Colheita Porto

The nose is quite incisive. It reveals notes of cinnamon and orange peel. The palate is fruity, mineral, relatively fat, relatively powerful and offers suavity and a beautiful freshness. In the mouth this Porto expresses notes of caramelized orange and slight notes of Pomme d'Amour associated with slight notes of mandarin, almond, slight woody notes as well as slight/discreet notes of cedar, hazelnut and almond on the finish. Good length. The finish is suave.

Score : 17.5

Dalva 1975 Colheita Porto

The nose is fine, fruity and offers a certain sucrosity. It reveals notes of caramel, tangerine, orange and flowers associated with slight notes of spices. The palate is fruity, mineral, elegant and offers a beautiful fat. The attack is fresh. In mouth this Porto expresses notes of strawberry, orange and quince associated with touches of blackberry, caramel, Bourbon vanilla as well as slight touches of walnut (in the background) and crêpes on the finish. Good length.

Score : 18

Kopke - 1978 Colheita

The nose reveals notes of orange marmalade and slight notes of tobacco associated with hints of caramel, woody hints as well as slight spicy notes and a hint of alcohol. The palate is fruity, mineral and offers a beautiful fresh frame. In the mouth this Porto expresses notes of orange, clementine, nougat and caramel associated with slight notes of mirabelle plum flesh, a touch of quince and slight notes of peach in syrup (in the background). Good length.

Score : 17.25

Martha's - Colheita 2006 Single Harvest Tawny Port

The nose is fruity, relatively rich and powerful. It reveals notes of dried fruits (walnuts, dried almond) associated with slight notes of honey, candied citrus, a touch of quince as well as a discreet touch of apricot, caramel and discreet notes peach skin (after oxygenation). The palate is fruity, smooth, fat, relatively rich and offers small freshness as well as a silky matter. In the mouth this Porto expresses notes of dried fig, honey and slight notes of dried fruit associated with a touch of date, candied citrus, candied mandarin, as well as slight notes of hazelnut, walnut, caramel and coffee. Good length and persistence.

Score : 16.25

Porto Feuerheerd's Colheita 1975 Porto

The nose is fruity, elegant, powerful, quite intense enough and relatively young. It reveals notes of Zante currant, date, honey, candied citrus and oriental pâtisseries associated with slight notes of tobacco, candied orange zest as well as a touch of candied peach/peach in syrup and small notes of spices. The palate is fruity, gourmand, well-balanced and offers some freshness, an acid / citrus frame and a good elegance. In mouth this Porto expresses notes of dates, figs, candied orange, candied lemon, candied mandarin and slight notes of peach in syrup associated with discreet notes of roasted pineapple, a touch of honey as well as slight notes of dried fruit and spices. Good length.

Score : 17.5

Barros - Colheita 1937 Porto

The nose is straight and fine. It reveals notes of orange and mirabelle plum associated with fine notes of flowers, dried fruit, spices and hazelnut. The palate is fruity, fat, soft, elegant and offers a small acidity. In mouth this Porto expresses notes of citrus (lemon and a fine touch of lime), candied orange zest, peach in syrup, dates and tarte tatin associated with a few notes of crystallized orange, dried peach as well as slight notes of hazelnut nougatine. Good length and persistence.

Score : 17.25

Barros - Colheita 1967 Porto

The nose is fine, precise and relatively elegant. It reveals notes of figs, walnuts, dried fruit and date associated with a few notes of grapes as well as notes of tobacco and spice. The palate is fruity, quite smooth, suave and fat. In the mouth this Porto expresses notes of citrus (tangerine, lemon) and notes of slightly candied fruit associated with a few notes of yellow peach, grape as well as notes of sweet spices. Good length.

Score : 16.75

Kopke - Colheita 1938 Porto

The nose is fine, elegant, a bit discreet and quite straight. It reveals notes of fruit associated with fine notes of dry yellow grape as well as fine notes of tobacco, a touch of orange marmalade and a touch of spices. The palate is fruity, nicely fresh and offers a nice acid frame. In mouth this Porto expresses notes of yellow fruit, quince and dried fruit associated with fine notes of yellow plum flesh as well as notes of dried citrus and a discreet touch of spices. Good length. Good persistence.

Score : 17

Kopke - Colheita 1941 Porto

The nose is elegant, fine, rich and charming. It reveals notes of dried mirabelle plum, dried fruit and cigar box associated with fine notes of gingerbread, anise, cardamom as well as slight notes of rancio (in the background), blond tobacco and a hint of caramel. The palate is fruity, elegant, straight and offer some minerality. In the mouth this Porto expresses notes of candied citrus (orange, quince), caramel / nougatine associated with slight notes of apricot, mango, raisin as well as fine notes of walnuts and roasted hazelnut. Good length.

Score : 17.25

Burmester - Colheita 1952 Singler Harvest Porto

The nose reveals notes of caramel / nougatine, dried fruit and tobacco associated with a few notes of peach in syrup, slight notes of apricot (in the background) and slight notes of tobacco. The palate is fresh (nice freshness), fruity and offers some minerality. In mouth this Porto expresses notes of dates, apricot and citrus fruit (candied orange) combined with notes of yellow plum, fine notes of figs as well as touches of spices, dried fruit and hazelnut. Good length.

Score : 16.75

Burmester - Colheita 1989 Singler Harvest Porto

The nose is fine, aromatic and quite intense. It reveals notes of fresh citrus associated with slight notes of flowers (in the background) as well as

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fine notes of spices. The palate is fruity, fresh and offers some minerality and a nice structure. In the mouth this Porto expresses notes of orange and citrus associated with slight notes of apricot (in the background), fine notes of dried fruit as well as a few touches date and gingerbread on the finish. Good length and persistence.

Score : 16.5

Burmester – Colheita 1976 Single Harvest Porto

The nose is a bit intense. It reveals notes of dried fruits associated with slight notes of coffee (in the background) and a discreet touch of vanilla. The palate is fresh, fruity, suave, quite elegant, quite straight and offers nice power as well as a nice expression. This Porto expresses notes of citrus (orange, clementine) associated with slight notes of nougatine, walnuts and notes of banana fat. Good length and persistence in mouth.

Score : 16.25

Krohn Colheita 1995 Porto

The nose is easy to access. It reveals notes of dried orange, plum, hazelnut and cedar combined with a touch of dried fig and a slight note of alcohol. The palate is fruity, easy access, balanced and fat. The texture is silky. In the mouth this Porto expresses notes of candied orange and plum associated with touches of caramel, slight oaky notes and slight notes of hazelnut.

Score : 16.25

Taylor's - Very Old 1965 Single Harvest Port Limited Edition Colheita

The nose is fine, intense, subtle, gourmand and nicely concentrated. It reveals notes of candied orange associated with slight notes of tobacco, fine notes of coffee, hazelnut as well as a discreet hint of cinnamon and fine notes of caramel. The mouth is fine, fresh, fat, elegant, full and offers a beautiful frame and a nice acid silky matter. In the mouth this wine expresses notes of candied citrus associated with slight notes of peach (in the background), hazelnut, walnut, caramel as well as fine notes of tobacco on the finish. Good length.

Score : 18.75

Taylor's - Very Old 1964 Single Harvest Port Limited Edition Colheita

The nose is fine, subtle, delicate and offers a little intoxicating side. It reveals notes of marmalade, peach in syrup and slight notes of caramel associated with notes of dried fruit as well as fine notes of tobacco, hazelnut and tarte tatin. The palate is fruity, fine, fat, deep, complex, ample, suave, gourmand and offers nice finesse. In the mouth this wine expresses notes of peach in syrup, tarte tatin, nuts, muesli and caramel associated with slight notes of candied citrus (orange, lemon) as well as fine notes of baked tangerine, hazelnuts and a fine note of tobacco on the finish. The finish is explosive. Good length.

Score : 19

Taylor's - 1863 Single Harvest Port Colheita

The nose is fine, elegant and intense. It reveals notes of dried citrus fruit, molasses and plum associated with fine notes of nougatine, caramel, spices (nutmeg, vanilla ...) and cedar wood. The mouth is fat, very aromatic,

balanced, gourmand, ample and offers a nice acidity and a nice matter. In the mouth this Porto expresses notes of marmalade, citrus (especially orange, clementine, quince) and slight notes of apricot associated with fine touches of tarte Tatin, walnut, hazelnut, of toasted almond as well as slight notes of fig, plum, clove and mocha on the finish. Good length and persistence.

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Burmester - Colheita 2003 Porto

The nose is fine and quite fine. It reveals notes of rancio and orange associated with slight notes of hazelnut and creme brûlée. The palate is fresh, fruity, fat and suave. In the mouth this Porto expresses notes of orange, caramel and hazelnut associated with slight notes of coffee (in the background), a few notes of peach in syrup and small notes of minerality as well as slight note of fat. Good length.

Score : 16

Poças Júnior - Colheita 1994 Porto

The nose is fine and quite elegant. It reveals notes of dried fruits and nougatine associated with slight notes of honey, dates and a fine note of blond tobacco. The palate is suave, mineral and quite juicy. In the mouth this Porto expresses notes of grape, candied citrus (tangerine, lemon) and caramel associated with fine notes of muesli, dates as well as slight notes of spices, coffee and toasted almonds. Good length and persistence.

Score : 16.5

Niepoort 1977 Garrafeira Porto

The nose offers a certain elegance and a certain finesse. It reveals notes of red fruit jam, very ripe strawberry, slight notes of caramel as well as slight notes of spices and oak. The palate is fruity, fresh, elegant, mineral, relatively rich and offers fat, roundness, a fresh frame and suavity. In the mouth this Porto expresses notes of caramelized orange and slight notes of nougatine associated with slight woody notes, spices, very ripe strawberries as well as a hint of red fruit jam and slight/discreet note of dried fruit (in the background). Good length and persistence.

Score : 17.75

Ramos Pinto LBV 2009 - Unfiltered Porto

The nose is fine, a bit discreet and fruity. It reveals notes of cassis, blackberry and slight notes of black fruit jelly combined with a touch of cassis bud, spices, black cherry and coffee. The palate is fruity, gourmand, fine, nicely balanced, quite straight and offers tension. In mouth this Porto expresses notes of plum, black cherry and slight notes of cassis associated with touches of blackberry, coffee, licorice sticks, woody touches and spicy touches (especially a hint of pepper and a discreet of hint cardamom). The finish is powerful. A promising wine.

Score : 16.25

Casa de Santa Eufemia - LBV 2009 Porto

The nose is fine and offers a small fresh. It reveals notes of black fruit (blackberry, plum ...) associated with slight floral notes, a hint of Zan, a discreet hint of cherry and a discreet hint of Sichuan pepper. The palate is fruity, mineral, gourmand and offers a beautiful mineral frame and elegance. In the mouth this Porto expresses notes of blackberry jam, plum

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and slight notes of blueberry associated with slight notes of red fruits as well as small notes of chocolate, candy licorice and a few discreet woody notes. Good length. A beautiful, easy-drinking and promising wine.

Score : 16

Portal - 2009 LBV Porto

The nose reveals notes of cassis, blackberry and slight notes of tobacco associated with discreet notes of caramel and cornflower. The palate is fruity, gourmand, fleshy, well-balanced and offers a thick matter. In mouth this Porto expresses notes of fleshy Quetsche plum, cassis jelly and slight notes of sour cherry associated with fine notes of strawberry, tobacco, chocolate as well as discreet notes of hazelnut / Zan. A young and promising Port wine !

Score : 15.75

Quinta da Romaneira LBV Unfiltered 2010 - Single Vineyard Porto

The nose is fruity. It reveals notes of cassis, plum and slight notes of flowers (peony, hawthorn) associated with slight notes of Zan as well as discreet woody notes. The palate is round, fresh, fat, gourmand, elegant and relatively aerial. In the mouth this Porto expresses notes of blackberry juice, blueberry and plum associated with discreet notes of strawberry, cherry, milk chocolate, coffee as well as slight touches of flowers and Zan. Good length. That's a gourmand wine!

Score : 16

Duorum - 2010 LBV Port Porto

The nose is fruity, gourmand and relatively concentrated. It reveals notes of cassis, plum, black fruit jelly and slight notes of Zan associated with a slight touch of flowers / lilies. The palate is fruity, gourmand, elegant, charming, rich, well-balanced and offers a beautiful mineral frame. In mouth this Porto expresses notes of blackberries, blackberry jam and slight notes of redcurrant jam associated with slight notes of juicy raspberry, blueberry and touches of licorice. Good length.

Score : 16.25

Quinta Seara d'Ordens LBV 2010 - Unfiltered Porto

The nose is fruity and relatively powerful. It reveals notes of red fruit, blackberry, plum and slight notes of coffee combined with a touch of cherry in kirsch. The mouth is gourmande, elegant, straight, frank, well-balanced, beautifully fruity and offers a small minerality. In mouth this Porto expresses notes of raspberry, cherry and blackberry jam associated with touches of blueberry, plum as well as slight notes of black fruit cream, dark chocolate and licorice. Good length.

Score : 16

Sandeman - 2011 LBV Porto

The nose is fruity and relatively powerful. It reveals notes of blackberry, cassis and slight notes of coffee associated with a slight woody notes and slight notes of red fruits. The palate is fruity, mineral, relatively elegant, aerial and well balanced. In mouth this Porto expresses notes of blackberry, blueberry and slightly notes of cassis associated with a few notes of red fruits, milk chocolate and slight notes of oak and Zan. Good length.

Score : 16.25

Rozès LBV 2011 - Unfiltered Porto

The nose is fruity and gourmand. It reveals notes of blackberry, raspberry and cassis combined with a few notes of licorice and subtle hints of flowers. The palate is fruity, juicy and offers a thick matter and a fresh / acid frame. In mouth this Porto expresses notes of blackberry, cassis and cherries combined with hints of wild strawberry, strawberry jam, milk chocolate and a touch of licorice candy. Good length.

Score : 16.25

Maynard's 2011 LBV - Unfiltered Porto

The nose is fruity, gourmand, relatively powerful, rich and quite elegant. It reveals notes of Quetsche plum, blackberry and blueberry associated with a few notes of strawberry. The palate is fruity, mineral, elegant, well-defined, precise, gourmand, beautifully harmonious, fluid and offers a smooth, silky and relatively aerial matter. In mouth this Porto expresses notes of blackberry, chocolate, plum and a few notes of cherries associated with slight notes of raspberry jam, chocolate as well as a touch of coffee in the background. Good length. A good, gourmand, currently too young but promising Porto.

Score : 16.75

Churchill's - LBV 2007 Porto

The nose is fine, elegant, powerful and straight. It reveals notes of cassis jam, blackberry and slight notes of strawberry, violet associated with fine notes of sour cherry, blueberry, chocolate as well as fine spicy notes and a discreet touch of black tea in the background. The palate is fruity, gourmand, elegant, fine, aerial, relatively fleshy, slightly powerful, well balanced and offers a beautiful silky matter and a small fresh frame in the background. Beautiful delicacy and elegance. In the mouth this Porto expresses notes of cassis jam, cherry and slight notes of sour cherry associated with fine notes of blueberry, a hint of plum as well as slight woody notes, spices, a fine note of coffee, dark chocolate and almond on the finish. Good length and persistence. The aftertaste is a bit powerful and offers a small alcoholic note.

Score : 17

Vintage port

Taylor's - 2010 Late Bottled Vintage Port

The nose is fruity and elegant. It reveals notes of sour cherry and cherry jam associated with touches of raspberry, fine notes of plum and fig as well as a few slight notes of nutmeg and well-integrated oaky notes. The palate is fat, powerful, precise and offers a nice expression of fruit. In the mouth this wine expresses notes of cherry jam associated notes of plum, black fruit, slight notes of chocolate (in the background) and a few small oaky notes. Tannins are elegant, firm but harmoniously integrated. Good length.

Score : 16

Quinta do Noval - 1978 Vintage Port

The nose reveals notes of mushroom, dried fruit, plum and dried red fruits combined with notes of strawberry jam as well as slight notes of spices. The palate is fruity, mineral, well-balanced and offers a beautiful

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suave matter. On the palate this wine expresses notes of strawberry jam and slight notes of blackberry (in the background) associated with a few notes of spice, woody notes, slight notes of caramel as well as a slight hint of orange zests, cinnamon, pepper and slight notes of yellow plum jam. Good length and persistence.

Score : 18

Ramos Pinto 1970 Vintage Port

The nose is powerful and offers a certain elegance and a certain intensity. It reveals notes of crystallized orange, mandarin and candied orange zest associated with slight notes of flowers and spices. The palate is fruity, mineral and offers a good structure, suavity, fat and a beautiful elegance / freshness. In mouth this Porto expresses notes of mandarin combined with slight notes of jammy strawberry, pâtisserie, a slight note of sucrosity as well as discreet notes of balsamic and dried fruit. Good length.

Score : 17.25

Graham's 1970 Vintage Port

The nose is powerful, quite elegant and quite opulent. It reveals notes of dry red fruit associated with slight notes of spices, orange as well as slight notes of cigar box. The palate is fat, round, well-balanced and offers a beautiful expression. On the palate this Porto expresses notes of orange, plum and quince paste associated with slight notes of nougat as well as slight/discreet notes of peach in syrup.

Score : 16.75

Taylor's Quinta de Vargellas 2012 Vintage Port

The nose is very fruity and very young. It reveals notes of Quetsche plum and cherry in Kirsch. The palate is fruity and offers a certain freshness, a small minerality, a good expression / definition and a beautiful matter. In mouth this Porto expresses notes of plum and cherry in kirsch combined with a touch of raspberry cream, a hint of blackberry, coffee and spices. Tannins are young and slightly dry. Good length. This Porto is currently very young!

Score : 16.5

Ramos Pinto Vintage 2007 Vintage Port

The nose is quite fruity and elegant. It reveals notes of redcurrant, cherry and slight notes of blackberry, cassis associated with slight notes of Zan. The palate is fruity, gourmand, elegant and offers a beautiful finesse, a small tension, complexity as well as a beautiful silky and fleshy matter. In the mouth this Porto expresses notes of Quetsche plum cream, blackberry and slight notes of blueberry associated with small notes of chocolate as well as a hint of prune, coffee, dark chocolate, green fig and oak. Good length. The finish is quite powerful.

Score : 17

Quinta do Noval - Vintage 2003 Vintage Port

The nose is fruity, fine and elegant. It reveals notes of blackberry, black cherry and slight notes of dark fruit jam associated with slight notes of coffee, Zan and a discreet note of mint. The palate is fruity, gourmand, elegant, harmonious, aerial, fluid and offers a beautiful matter and a certain freshness. In mouth this Porto expresses notes of blackberry, cassis and slight notes of plum associated with slight notes of cherry, a touch of

raspberry, coffee as well as a touch of liquorice and slight notes of mocha. Good length. A beautiful and promising wine!

Score : 17.75

Ramos Pinto - 2011 Vintage Port

The nose is fruity and slightly close. It reveals notes of plum, blackberry and slight notes of cherry associated with slight notes of cassis bud and a slight touch of Sichuan pepper. The palate is fruity, gourmand, elegant, smooth, fine, fat, harmonious and offers a beautiful silky matter. In mouth this Porto expresses notes of cassis, blackberry and slight notes of plum associated with touches of candied cherry, raspberry as well as slight notes of chocolate, slight woody notes and a hint of strawberry. Good length. Beautiful potential for this Porto!

Score : 16.75

Duorum - 2011 Vintage Port

The nose is powerful and relatively aromatic. It reveals notes of cassis, blackberry and slight notes of blueberry associated with a few small notes of strawberry jam as well as discreet spicy notes. The palate is fruity, mineral, elegant, well-balanced, relatively fat and offers freshness and a good, soft, fleshy and relatively unctuous matter. In mouth this Porto expresses notes of blackberry, blueberry and slight notes of raspberry associated with discreet notes of plum, dark chocolate as well as a touch of blackberry cream and slight notes of milk chocolate. Good length.

Score : 16

Terras do Grifo - Vintage 2012 Vintage Port

The nose is fruity and quite gourmand. It reveals notes of blackberry, cassis bud and slight notes of plum associated with a few notes of spice and oak. The mouth is gourmand, soft, silky, relatively fat and offers a beautiful texture, a small fruity/acid frame as well as a beautiful, thick and soft matter. In the mouth this Porto expresses notes of plum jam, blackberry and slight notes of cherry associated with slight notes of chocolate, notes of toasted oak and a discreet touch of vanilla. Good length.

Score : 15.5

Duorum - Vinha de Castelo Melhor 2012 Vintage Port

The nose is fruity and fine. It reveals notes of blackberry, Quetsche plum and slight notes of licorice associated with a discreet note of raspberry as well as slight notes of chocolate. The palate is fruity, gourmand, fleshy and offers a beautiful, unctuous, thick and quite elegant matter. In mouth this Porto expresses notes of blackberry, cherry in kirsch, cassis and slight notes of prune associated with slight notes of chocolate and slight woody notes. Good length.

Score : 15.5

Portal - Quinta dos Muros -2013 Vintage Port

The nose is aromatic, fruity and elegant. It reveals notes of raspberry, cassis, blackberry and slight notes of strawberry associated with a few slight notes of flowers and a few spices (cardamom, chocolate). The palate is fruity, fat, gourmand, well-balanced, quite precise and quite elegant. In the mouth, this Porto expresses notes of blackberry, cherry, sour cherry, blackberry jam and slight notes of crunchy strawberry associated with slight notes of licorice, cardamom and chocolate on the finish. Good length.

Score : 15.75

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Quinta Seara D'Ordens 2012 Unfiltered Vintage Porto

The nose is relatively fine. It reveals notes of cassis, black berries and blackberry balsamic associated with slight notes of spices and oak. The palate is fruity, mineral, soft, silky, quite gourmand and elegant. In mouth this Porto expresses notes of blackberry, cassis and plum associated with slight notes of black berries, raspberry, chocolate, oak as well as a discreet touch of Sichuan pepper and black tea. Tannins are slightly firm. Good length and persistence. Currently this Porto is still young!

Score : 16

Quinta Nova de Nossa Senhora do Carmo 2013

Vintage Porto

The nose is fine. It reveals notes of cassis, blackberry and slight notes of fresh cherry associated with a few notes of coffee, toast and a hint of Sichuan pepper. The palate is fruity, mineral, gourmand, elegant, powerful, well-built, well-structured and quite aerial. It expresses notes of raspberry, blackberry and slight notes of plum associated with slight notes of prunes, cassis, red fruit jelly as well as a slight note of blackberry cream, discreet woody notes and dark chocolate. A young, well-balanced and with a good potential Porto!

Score : 16.5

Quinta do Estanho 1996 Vintage Porto

The nose is fruity, relatively gourmand and relatively powerful. It reveals notes of fig, Zante currant and slight notes of dried fruit associated with a hint of plum and a hint of evolution. The palate is rich, fat, fruity and well-balanced. In mouth this Porto expresses notes of dates, Zante currants and slight notes of dried fruit combined with a touch of quince, crystallized orange as well as touches of muesli / hazelnut.

Score : 15.5

Burmester Quinta do Arnozelo - 2012 Vintage Porto

The nose is fruity. It reveals notes of cassis jam and blueberry associated with touches of raspberry and fine notes of cherry in kirsch. The palate is fruity, fresh and elegant. It expresses notes of cherry, black cherry and crushed plum flesh associated with slight notes of cassis compote as well as fine notes of mocha. Good length and persistence.

Score : 16.5

Fonseca - Guimaraens - 2013 Vintage Port

The nose is fruity and quite intense. It reveals notes of strawberry jam, cassis and dried blueberry associated with a few small notes of cherry jelly, a touch of violet and a fine note of grapes. The palate is fresh, mineral, quite fluid and offers small acidity. In mouth this Porto expresses notes of plum, cassis and slight notes of strawberry associated with a few touches of fig, cherry as well as slight woody notes and a fine note of chocolate. Tannins are a bit grainy. Good length and persistence with

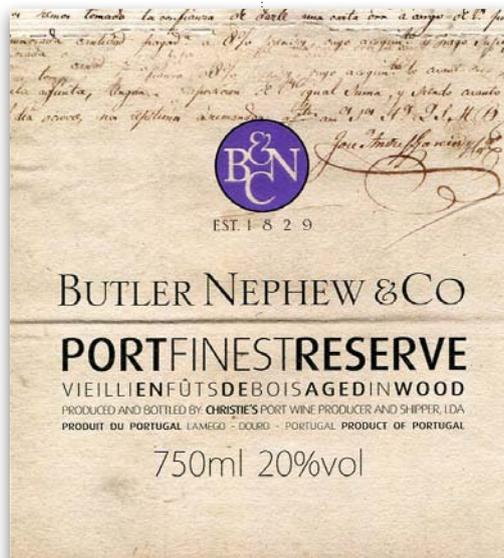
notes of blueberry / plum liquor. This wine has a good potential but it's currently young. (wait minimum at least 8 years)

Score : 16

Croft - Quinta da Roeda - 2012 Vintage Port

The nose is young. It reveals notes of red fruit (red currant, cherry), black cherry and plum associated with notes of plum juice and a few notes of spices (in the background), graphite and a small notes of raspberry balsamic. The palate is fruity, mineral, fresh and offer a certain density. In the mouth this Porto expresses notes of plum, sour cherry and juicy blueberry pie associated with a few woody notes. Tannins are grainy. Good length.

Score : 16.5



Taylor's - Quinta de Terra Feita 2008 Vintage Port

The nose is straight, fruity, dry and quite complex. It reveals notes of blueberry, blackberry associated with a few fine notes of candied red fruit, cassis and fine notes of tobacco. The palate is fruity, fine, straight, suave, powerful and relatively young. In the mouth it expresses notes of blueberry, blackberry associated with slight notes of cherry, raspberry (in the background) as well as fine notes of chocolate and toasted oak. Tannins are structured and slightly big. Good length. A young wine but with a nice potential.

Score : 16.5

Tawny reserve

Butler Nephew & Co Port Finest Reserve

The nose is aromatic and powerful. It reveals notes of candied cherry, plum and slight notes of prune, candied strawberry associated with touches of caramel, dried fruit and a discreet hint of chocolate truffle, tobacco and almond. The palate is fruity, quite gourmand, well-balanced and offers tension, suavity, a good volume and a small freshness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of candied strawberry, candied plum and slight notes of candied citrus (lemon, discreet hint of clementine) associated with a hint of cherry as well as small notes of chocolate, dried fruit and a few slight woody notes. Good length and persistence.

Score : 15.5

Ferreira - Dona Antonia Reserva Tawny Porto

The nose is fruity. It reveals notes of red fruit combined with a touch of cassis and a hint of kirsch. The palate is fruity, mineral and balanced. In the mouth this Porto expresses notes of black cherry, cherry, raspberry and blackberry combined with a hint of strawberry, slight notes of licorice, milk chocolate as well as a discreet note of Ceylon tea. Good length and persistence.

Score : 15



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Brut Rosé

Champagne Billecart-Salmon Cuvée Elisabeth Salmon 2006 Brut Rosé

(Pinot Noir 50%, Chardonnay 50%)

The nose is very fine, delicate, subtle, and offers a small creaminess sensation. It reveals notes of lemon cream, mandarin and red fruit (especially raspberries) associated with slight touches of peach as well as a discreet note of pâtisserie and crushed almonds. The palate is fruity, fine, elegant, creamy, delicate, suave, ample, gourmand and offers an acid frame and a beautiful volume. The effervescence is creamy. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon and grapefruit associated with a touch of tangerine, nectarine, a slight note of lime as well as discreet touches of cherry and slight hints of macadamia nuts on the finish. Good length and persistence. The finish is suave.

Score : 17.25

Champagne Michel Gonet Brut Rosé

The nose is fresh, elegant and fruity. It reveals notes of strawberry, redcurrant and citrus (lemon, clementine) associated with a touch of white peach. The palate is fruity, gourmand, elegant, mineral, supple, well built and relatively straight. The effervescence is very fine and elegant. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon and mandarin combined with slight notes of lemon zests, papaya and a touch of white fruits (white peach, apple). Good length. A gourmand and harmonious Champagne.

Score : 16

Champagne J. de Telmont Grand Rosé Brut

The nose is fruity and gourmand. It reveals notes of raspberry and fresh cherry associated with a few notes of redcurrant and citrus. The palate is fruity, gourmand, elegant, suave, dynamic, relatively fat and offers a beautiful acid frame. The attack is fresh. The effervescence is very fine, tight and dynamic. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of raspberry, redcurrant and slight notes of fresh strawberries combined with a touch of citrus (lemon, orange). Good length.

Score : 15.75

Champagne Goutorbe-Bouillot Rosé

The nose is lively, clear and fruity. It reveals notes of raspberry and redcurrant associated with a few notes of lemon, mandarin and a slight note of pear. The palate is fruity, mineral, fresh, round, relatively fat and offers a fruity / acid frame. The effervescence is fine, creamy and slightly unctuous. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of raspberry and lemon associated with a hint of redcurrant, mandarin and a discreet hint of peach compote.

Score : 15

Champagne Billecart-Salmon Brut Rosé

(40% Chardonnay, 30% Pinot Noir, 30% Pinot Meunier.)

The nose is elegant, aromatic / fruity, fine and offers a creaminess sensation. It reveals notes of crème pâtissière, citrus (pink grapefruit) and a touch of lemon cream associated with slight notes of mandarin, a slight hints of flowers (in the background) as well as a discreet note of redcurrant and red fruits. The palate is fruity, elegant, quite creamy, quite gourmande and offers suavity and a fruity frame. The effervescence is

creamy, elegant and delicate. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of pink grapefruit and slight notes of lemon, white fruits associated with discreet floral notes as well as slight touches of red fruit (especially raspberries) and a very discreet hint of lime. Good length.

Score : 16

Champagne Drappier Grande Sèndrée 2006 Rosé Brut

(92% Pinot Noir, 8% Chardonnay)

The nose is fruity. It reveals notes of raspberry combined with a touch of cherry, citrus and a discreet notes of blackberry and toast / cooked sugar. The palate is fruity, mineral, elegant, round, relatively fat and fine. The effervescence is fine, creamy and quite gourmande. On the palate this wine expresses notes of raspberry, cherry and slight notes of citrus associated with slight notes of blackberry as well as discreet notes of granny apple. Good length.

Score : 16.5

Champagne Louis Dousset Rosé de Saignée 2007 Brut Nature - Grand Cru

The nose is quite aromatic and a bit dusty. It reveals notes of redcurrant, peach, orange zests and slight notes of leather associated with a few slight chalky notes. The palate is fruity, relatively gourmand, fluid and relatively suave. The effervescence is well-made. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of citrus (orange, lemon) associated with touches of grapefruit zest, peach, grape, a discreet hint of quenette as well as a touch of white fruits and quince on the finish. Good length.

Score : 14.75

Champagne Lutun Rosé

The nose is gourmand, full and relatively rich. It reveals notes of raspberry candy notes associated with a touch of ripe strawberries, slight touches of citrus (lemon, a discreet hint of orange) and a slight/discreet touch of quince / beeswax. The palate is fruity, relatively mineral, rich, voluminous, relatively gourmand and offers fat and a fruity / acid frame. The effervescence is fine. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of raspberry associated with a touch of cherry, slight / discreet touches of mandarin, white fruit compote (in the background) and a discreet hint of citrus. Small sucrosity and red fruit on the finish. Good length.

Score : 15.25

Champagne Petit & Bajan Nympha Brut Rosé - Grand Cru

The nose is fresh, fine, elegant, aromatic and relatively exuberant. It reveals notes of rose and raspberry combined with a touch of citrus zest (lemon, lime) and a discreet note of cocoa. The mouth is fine, fruity, gourmande, straight, elegant, well built, slightly fat and offers a little creaminess. The effervescence is very fine, bright, slightly creamy, not aggressive and tight. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of citrus (lemon, lime), peach and fines touches of red fruit associated with a discreet touch of apple, slight / discreet notes of cocoa on the finish. Good length and good persistence. The finish is gourmande, creamy and fruity (ripe fruit).

Score : 16.25

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Blanc de blancs

Champagne Goutorbe-Bouillot Blanc de blancs - Brut

The nose is fresh and fruity. It reveals notes of lime and lemon associated with a touch of grapefruit, lemon flowers and a discreet touch of fresh mint. The palate is fruity, relatively fat, dynamic, relatively gourmand and offers a small acid frame. The effervescence is bright, quite abundant, lively, fine and slightly creamy. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, mandarin and grapefruit combined with slight notes of white fruits (in the background) as well as a few notes of chalk (in the background) and almond. Good length. The finish is fruity and fresh.

Score : 15

Champagne Michel Fagot Blanc de blancs - Brut - Premier Cru

A beautiful mousse. The nose is fruity, incisive and quite elegant. It reveals notes of pineapple, citrus zest associated with discreet notes of dried fruit, notes of lemon as well as a discreet vinous hint, a hint of butter and a discreet vegetal hint. The palate is fruity, gourmand, fat and well-balanced. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, pineapple and Granny Smith apple associated with slight notes of mandarin as well as a touch of zest, a hint of peach and a discreet touch of brioche. Good length.

Score : 15

Champagne Vignon Père & Fils Blanc de Blancs - Brut - Grand Cru

The nose is fruity and offers a small creaminess sensation. It reveals notes of apple associated with a discreet touch of citrus, a hint of quince and a hint of baked apple. The palate is fruity, relatively fresh, racy and offer fat and a small mineral frame. The effervescence is well made. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of apple, nectarine and a discreet touch of pear associated with a few slight notes of citrus (lemon, mandarin) as well as a discreet touch of lemon zest (bottom) and a touch of Granny apple skin / papaya.

Score : 14.75

Champagne Colin - Parallèle Blanc de Blancs - 1er Cru - Extra-Brut

The nose is elegant and fine. It reveals slight notes of lemon, zest and peach associated with discreet notes of white fruit as well as a hint of chalk, white flowers and granny apple skin. The palate is fruity, relatively gourmand and offers fat, tension and a small acid / mineral (chalk) frame. The effervescence is fine and well made. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of white fruits (apple, nectarine) associated with slight notes of lemon, orange zest, a discreet note of brioche and a hint of papaya / apple skin / white flowers. Good length.

Score : 14.75

Champagne Laurent Lequart Blanc de Blancs - Brut

The nose reveals notes of yellow fruit, pineapple and discreet touches of lemon associated with discreet touches of honey, hawthorn and yellow fruit. The palate is fruity and offers fat, a small citrus frame and balance. The effervescence is a bit discreet and a bit creamy. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of white fruit associated with slight notes of pineapple, lemon and physalis. Good length.

Score : 14.5

Champagne Boizel Blanc de blancs - Brut

The nose is fruity and relatively fine. It reveals notes of lemon zest, granny apple and slight notes of lemon associated with a touch of pineapple, acacia and almond. The palate is fruity, straight, well-balanced, elegant and offers tension, a small acid / lemon frame and fat. The effervescence is very fine, quite creamy, elegant, dynamic / bright. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, citrus zest (lemon, mandarin, grapefruit) and slight notes of apple associated with slight notes of pineapple, tangerine, minerality as well as discreet notes of pear in the background. Good length and persistence.

Score : 15.5

Champagne Colin - Blanche de Castille Blanc de blancs - 1er Cru

The nose is fine, elegant and offers a small creaminess. It reveals notes of lemon, citrus and slight notes of white fruit (apple, nectarine) associated with small touches of yellow fruit as well as a discreet touch of beeswax and white flowers. The palate is fruity, gourmand and elegant. The effervescence is very fine, elegant, beautiful made and slightly creamy (small creaminess). In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of citrus and slight notes of white fruit (nectarine, apple, a hint of pear) associated with a small vinous touch, a hint of quince, pineapple as well as a discreet note of beeswax and butter. Good length. There are slight touches of apple and papaya on the finish.

Score : 15.25

Champagne Yveline Prat Cuvée Sélection Blanc de blancs - Brut

The nose reveals notes of pineapple and lemon associated with slight notes of flowers, white fruit as well as a discreet touch of beeswax and biscuit. The palate is fruity, gourmand and well-balanced. The effervescence is fine and well made. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of quince, pineapple and slight notes of citrus (mandarin, a touch of lemon) associated with slight touches of white fruit as well as a touch of beeswax and a discreet touch of brioche. Good length.

Score : 14.75

Champagne Déroutat - L'Esprit Blanc de Blancs - 1er Cru

The nose is fruity, fine, and offers a small creamy sensation. It reveals notes of lemon, lemon cream, eggs cream and slight notes of white fruits combined with a discreet touch of lime zest. The mouth is fine, elegant, well-balanced and offers a good definition, fat, a good structure as well as a small and beautiful acid frame. The effervescence is elegant, fine and creamy. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon and white nectarine associated with slight notes of citrus, pineapple as well as touches of Granny apple and slight / discreet notes of lime (in the background). Good length.

Score : 15.25

Champagne Henriët-Bazin Blanc de Blancs - Extra-Brut - 1er Cru

The nose is elegant, gourmand and offers a creaminess sensation. It reveals notes of white fruit (nectarine, pear), lemon cream and slight notes of lemon zest associated with discreet notes of Granny apple skin, lime zest, dried fruit and flowers. The palate is fruity, elegant, straight, relatively gourmand, well built, racy and offers a small tension, dynamism, fat as well as a beautiful and small citrus frame. The effervescence is very fine, elegant, tight and slightly creamy (small creaminess). The attack

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is supple. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of white fruit (nectarine, apple) and slight notes of citrus associated with touches of white grape, a hint of yellow fruits, lemon zest as well as discreet notes of mandarin zest and beeswax.

Score : 16

Champagne R.L. Legras Blanc de Blancs - Brut - Grand Cru

The nose is lively, relatively elegant and offers small creamy sensation. It reveals notes of Granny Smith apple, lemon zest and slight notes of grapefruit, pineapple associated with slight notes of lemon flowers. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, relatively fat and offers a good volume. The effervescence is well-made. On the palate this wine expresses notes of lemon and apple combined with a touch of nectarine, grapefruit as well as discreet notes of pineapple and lychee. Good length.

Score : 15

Champagne Billecart-Salmon Blanc de blancs - Brut

The nose is fruity, elegant and offers a creaminess sensation. It reveals notes of citrus, lemon and flowers (acacia flower, peach flower) combined with a touch of chalky minerality and a touch of fresh almonds. The palate is fruity, creamy, round, racy, elegant / voluptuous and offers a beautiful acidity and a chalky minerality. The effervescence is fine, elegant and relatively creamy. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon and peach combined with a discreet touch of pineapple as well as discreet notes of crème pâtissière and brioche. Good length and persistence with notes of chalk, citrus fruits and a few notes of almond. The finish is suave. Good length.

Score : 16.75

Champagne Jacquinet & Fils Blanc de blancs - Brut

The nose is fruity and slightly vinous. It reveals slight notes of pineapple, lemon and tangerine associated with slight touches of quince, beeswax and a discreet hint of acacia flowers. The palate is fruity, mineral, round, relatively fat and offers a citrus frame. The effervescence is very fine, tight and slightly creamy. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon combined with a touch of lime, slight touches of tangerine associated with a hint of granny apple as well as slight floral notes. Good length and persistence.

Score : 15.25

Champagne Pertois-Lebrun Instant Brut - Blanc de Blancs - Grand Cru

The nose is fruity, relatively gourmand and quite fine. It reveals notes of yellow peach and slight notes of white fruit associated with discreet notes of lemon as well as a discreet note of citrus flowers / vanilla, brioche and lemon cream. The effervescence is very fine and dynamic. The palate is fruity, gourmand, suave and offers a good volume. On the palate this wine expresses notes of white fruit (peach, brugnon, a touch of apple) associated with slight notes of pineapple, discreet notes of lemon as well as a hint of exotic fruits (quenette...) and a discreet touch of brioche.

Score : 15.75

Champagne M. Hostomme Blanc de blancs - Origine - Grand Cru

A beautiful creamy mousse. The nose is fruity, incisive, elegant and offers a light freshness. It reveals notes of pear, lemon and slight notes of fresh citrus combined with a discreet touch of pineapple. The palate is fruity, elegant, straight, relatively suave and offers a small tension. The effervescence is well-made.

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vescence is fine, quite elegant and slightly creamy. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, fresh Granny Smith apple and slight notes of fresh grapes, pineapple associated with a discreet touch of quince and a discreet note of tangerine. Good length.

Score : 15.5

Champagne Gosset Grand Blanc de blancs - Brut

A beautiful mousse. The nose is fine, elegant and intense. It reveals notes of lemon, white fruits (apple, white peach), flowers associated with slight notes of apricot, slate / minerality and pâtissière / crème pâtissière. The palate is fruity, elegant, suave, round, relatively complex, delicate and harmonious. The effervescence is very fine, elegant and creamy. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, lemon cream and slight notes of white fruit associated with slight touches of crème pâtissière as well as a discreet touch of tangerine and quenette. A suave, gourmand et very elegant Champagne.

Score : 17.5

Champagne Pierre Trichet Blanc de blancs - L'héritage - Brut - 1er Cru

The nose is fruity, fresh and quite elegant. It reveals notes of pear, citrus and nectarine associated with a slight note of minerality. The palate is fruity, dynamic, elegant, relatively fat and offers a small acid / fruity frame and a small minerality. The effervescence is very fine, bright and finely creamy. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, vine peach and a touch of pear associated with slight notes of fresh citrus and a hint of quenette. Good length.

Score : 16

Champagne Pertois-Lebrun - Nuances Blanc de blancs - Grand Cru

The nose is fine. It reveals notes of citrus fruits (quince, clementine) associated with small notes of peach as well as a discreet note of pineapple, flowers and discreet touch of brioche (in the background). The palate is fruity, mineral, relatively gourmand, relatively fat, quite straight and offers finesse and a small freshness. The effervescence is very fine and elegant. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon and slight notes of mandarin associated with small notes of apple as well as a touch of nectarine and a discreet touch of toasted hazelnut. Good length.

Score : 15.75

Champagne Guy Charbaut Blanc de blancs - Premier Cru - Brut

A beautiful mousse. The nose is fine and relatively elegant. It reveals notes of lemon, zest of citrus fruits (clementine, lemon) associated with slight notes of apple and a discreet hint of almond. The palate is fruity, gourmand, relatively suave and well-built. The effervescence is very fine and tight. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, apple and slight notes of nectarine associated with discreet touches of mandarin and a discreet hint of toasted bread. Good length.

Score : 15.75

Champagne Lacourte-Godbillon Blanc de Sables - Brut - Premier Cru

The nose is fine and relatively fruity. It reveals notes of peach and small minty note (discreet) associated with slight notes of acacia, oak, flowers and a discreet note of citrus. The palate is fruity, gourmand, relatively suave and offers a small chalky minerality. The effervescence is fine and a bit discreet. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of apple and nectarine associated with a delicate woody touch, slight notes of chalk,

acacia / vegetal, a hint of apricot and slight notes of citrus (mandarin, lemon) in the background. Good length.

Score : 15.25

Champagne Paul Goerg Blanc de Blancs - Brut - Premier Cru

The nose is rich. It reveals notes of lemon, mandarin and slight notes of quince associated with slight notes of white peach and a touch of white flowers. The mouth is fine, elegant, suave, relatively fat and offers a small minerality. The effervescence is very fine, elegant and relatively delicate. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, white peach and slight notes of tangerine associated with a touch of lemon zest, green apple and a discreet touch of lime. Good length.

Score : 16.25

Champagne Le Brun de Neuville Blanc de Blancs - Cuvée Chardonnay extra Brut

The nose is aromatic, relatively fresh and a bit complex. It reveals notes of lemon, citrus, fruit and spices associated with small notes of honey and candied orange zest. The palate is fruity, fresh, dynamic, well made, harmonious and offers a beautiful acid frame, minerality, slight touches of salinity and smoothness. The effervescence is fine and bright. The attack is frank. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, orange and mandarin combined with slight touches of white fruit, apricot as well as a touch of brioche, a discrete hint of pineapple in butter and honey. Good length and persistence with gourmande notes (lemon, brioche).

Score : 15.5

Champagne Le Brun de Neuville Blanc de Blancs - Cuvée Chardonnay - Brut

The nose is fresh and fruity. It reveals notes of limestone minerality and citrus (lemon) associated with slight notes of apple and a very discreet note of honey (in the background). The palate is fruity, dynamic, relatively elegant, relatively fat and offers a good volume, minerality, freshness and a beautiful acid / dynamic frame. The effervescence is very fine, abundant and bright. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, clementine, apple and pineapple associated with slight notes lime zest, a few small notes of minerality as well as slight / discreet notes of ripe white fruit on the finish. Good length and persistence.

Score : 15

Champagne Michel Gonet Blanc de Blancs - Cuvée Montgueux

A beautiful mousse. The nose is fresh and relatively incisive. It reveals notes of zest, lemon, grape and papaya associated with slight notes of apple. The palate is fruity, mineral, fresh, elegant and straight (tension). The effervescence is fine and creamy. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of apple, lemon and lemon zest associated with slight notes of papaya, flowers and a discreet touch of meringue (in the background). Good length and persistence with notes of zest.

Score : 16

Champagne Michel Gonet Blanc de blancs - Grand Cru - Brut Nature

A beautiful mousse. The nose is fresh, fine and quite fruity. It reveals notes of lemon and lemon zest associated with a touch of apple, apple skin as well as a discreet touch of lime zest and chalk. The palate is fruity, elegant, mineral and offers a small tension. The effervescence is fine and bright. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon and mandarin zest associated with a touch of Granny apple and a slight hint of

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pineapple. Good length.

Score : 15.75

Champagne Michel Gonet Blanc de Blancs - Cuvée Vindey - Brut

The nose is fine, elegant and racy. It reveals notes of apple and lime combined with a touch of nectarine, a small note of chalk and a discrete touch of flowers. The palate is fruity, gourmand, fine, elegant, racy, relatively fat and offers a beautiful volume and suavité. The effervescence is very fine and slightly creamy. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon and slight notes of apple, eggs cream associated with discrete notes of nectarine and a slight / discrete touch of almond. Good length.

Score : 16.25

Champagne Pierre Trichet Secret d'Or

(100% Chardonnay)

A beautiful creamy mousse. The nose is fruity, gourmand and elegant. It reveals notes of white fruit associated with a touch of peach and a hint of lemon. The palate is fruity, gourmand, suave, relatively fat and offers a certain purity and elegance. The effervescence is fine. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of white fruit and peach combined with a touch of pineapple, slight notes of lemon and a touch of crunchy pear. Good length.

Score : 15.75

Champagne Le Brun de Neuville - Lady N Cuvée élevée en fût de chêne - Brut

(100% Chardonnay)

The nose is relatively complex. It reveals woody notes (discreet), honey, dried fruit and slight notes of orange paste associated with discreet notes of citrus. The palate is fruity, fresh, dynamic, deep, relatively intense and offers a slight note of liquor / vinous note. The effervescence is fine, dynamic and bright. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of apple associated with touches of vine peach and lemon associated with slight notes of zest, touches of exotic fruits (papaya, quenette) as well as notes of brioche and slight woody touches in the background. Good length. The finish is juicy, fruité and gourmande.

Score : 15.5

Champagne Waris-Larmandier Blanc de blancs - Grand Cru - Extra-Brut

The nose is fine and fruity. It reveals notes of lemon, lime and apple associated with a discreet touch of papaya. The palate is fruity, racy, elegant and relatively fat. The effervescence is very fine. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, mandarin and slight notes of Granny apple associated with a touch of vine peach, lime and a hint of papaya. Good length.

Score : 15.25

Champagne Colin - Extra Dry Premier Cru - Blanc de blancs

The nose is fruity and elegant. It reveals notes of lemon, mandarin and slight notes of white grapefruit associated with a touch of white fruits. The palate is fruity, gourmand, well-balanced and offers a small acid / citrus frame. The effervescence is fine, elegant and slightly creamy. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, mandarin and slight notes of grapefruit associated with a touch of pineapple and a discreet touch of peach. Good length.

Score : 15.25

Champagne Le brun de Neuville Blanc de Blancs - Authentique - Brut

The nose is fresh, fruity and fine. It reveals notes of lemon, zest and lime associated with a few notes of minerality, green apple, clementine and discreet notes of flowers and spices (especially after oxygenation). The mouth is ample, fresh, dynamic, elegant, well-balanced, complex, racy and offers a beautiful fat, a small touch of salinity and an acid / mineral frame (terroir). The effervescence is fine, abundant, vibrant and bright. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of mandarin, granny apple and lemon associated with slight notes of pineapple, brioche and a discreet hint of nectarine on the finish. Good length and persistence. This Champagne is well done and gourmand.

Score : 16

Champagne Petit & Bajan - Nuit Blanche - Blanc de blancs - Grand Cru - extra-Brut

The nose is fresh, fruity, right, chalky, mineral, elegant and dry. It reveals notes of plum, lemon and Granny apple associated with a discreet touch of flowers as well as a fine touch of papaya and a very discreet touch of dried apricot (after oxygenation). The mouth is straight, fine, fat, racy, round, frank and elegant. The effervescence is very fine, rich and elegant. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, Granny apple and ripe peach associated with a few notes of mandarin, touches of pineapple and a few fine notes of exotic fruits. Good length. Beautiful maturity of the fruit!

Score : 16.5

Champagne Sanger - Terroir Natal - Brut - Grand Cru - Blanc de blancs

The nose is fruity, fresh, lively and aromatic. It reveals notes of apple combined with a few notes of nectarine and slight notes of citrus and white peach. The palate is fruity, fresh, mineral, quite fat and suavité and a small citrus frame. The effervescence is abundant. On the palate this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, mandarin and fine notes of Granny Smith apple associated with touches of quenette, pear, lime as well as a few subtle hints of flowers and pineapple (in the background). Good length.

Score : 15

Millésime Blanc de blancs

Champagne Henriët-Bazin Cuvée Marie-Amélie 2010 Fleur de Vigne Brut - 1er Cru Blanc de Blancs

The nose is fruity and relatively fine. It reveals notes of vine peach, pineapple and slight notes of lemon associated with a hint of quenette. The palate is fruity, fat, round and offers a small minerality. The effervescence is fine. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon and white fruit (nectarine, apple) associated with hints of lemon as well as a hint of green apple skin (in the background) and a discreet note of eggs cream. Good length.

Score : 15

Champagne J. de Telmont Blanc de blancs 2009 - Brut

The nose is fine, relatively fresh and aromatic. It reveals notes of lemon, mandarin and slight notes of vine peach / white fruits combined with a touch of grapefruit and flowers (including hawthorn). The palate is fruity, well-defined, relatively elegant and offers fat and a certain harmony. The

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effervescence is very fine, elegant and slightly creamy (small creaminess). In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, lime zest and slight notes of apple associated with discreet touches of white grapefruit / pomelos, discreet notes of exotic fruit as well as a discreet touch of white fruits (in the background) honey and toast. Good length.

Score : 15.75

Champagne Colin - Cuvée Enjoleuse 2007 Blanc de Blancs - Premier Cru

(100% Chardonnay)

The nose is fruity, dynamic and elegant. It reveals notes of lemon and zest (lemon and lime) associated with a few notes of white flowers. The palate is fruity, racy, dynamic, elegant, harmonious, straight, quite ample and offers a nice structure and a certain tension. The attack is frank. The effervescence is very fine, dynamic and abundant. On the palate this Champagne expresses notes of lemon and lime zest associated with slight notes of grapefruit, apple (in the background), ripe white fruit and a discreet touch of brioche on the finish. Good length and persistence.

Score : 16

Champagne Pierre Courtois Millésime 2005 - Blanc de Blancs

The nose is fruity and dynamic. It reveals notes of citrus (mandarin, lemon, a slight note of pink grapefruit) associated with slight notes of quince, honey as well as touches of sweet spice and cake. The palate is fruity, mineral, fat, suave and quite gourmand. The effervescence is fine, abundant and elegant. On the palate this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, blackberry and mandarin combined with touches of quince as well as honey and a slight note of pâtisserie. Good length.

Score : 15.75

Champagne Legras - Présidence Vieilles Vignes 2007 - Grand Cru Blanc de Blancs - Brut

The nose reveals notes of citrus zest and discreet woody notes associated with a discreet note of pineapple, quince, as well as discreet notes brioche and almond. The palate is fruity, gourmand, round, mineral, and offers a beautiful matter. The effervescence is very fine, elegant, beautifully made and slightly creamy (small creaminess). In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of citrus (lemon, mandarin) combined with slight notes of apple, touches of pineapple as well as discreet notes of pear and butter brioche. Good length.

Score : 16.25

Champagne Deutz Blanc de Blancs 2009 - Brut

The nose is fine and minerals. It reveals notes of lemon and Granny apple associated with slight notes of mandarin, white fruit and slight notes of lemon flowers and a touch of verbena / dried bergamot. The effervescence is fine, elegant and creamy. The palate is fruity, elegant, fine, straight, relatively aerial, harmonious and relatively gourmande. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of citrus associated with slight notes of vine peach, brugnion, ripe pear as well as slight notes of pineapple and a discreet touch of butter. Good length.

Score : 16.75

Champagne Michel Fagot - Millésime 2004 Brut - Blanc de blancs - Premier Cru

The nose is aromatic. It reveals notes of zest and slight notes of peach associated with a few mineral notes as well as slight notes of brioche. The palate is fruity, elegant, racy and well built. The effervescence is fine, well

done and slightly creamy. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of white peach, lemon and slight notes of zest associated with slight notes of apple. Good length.

Score : 15.75

Champagne Michel Gonet Blanc de blancs - 2010 - Grand Cru Extra-Brut

Beautiful and fine mousse. The nose is elegant, fresh and relatively gourmand. It reveals notes of apple and citrus combined with a touch of pear and flowers. The palate is fruity, fat, elegant, fine and straight. The effervescence is very fine and elegant. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of citrus (lemon, mandarin) combined with a touch of pear and a hint of apple. Good length.

Score : 16.25

Apollonis - Champagne Michel Lorient Les Virtuoses - Les Sources du Flagot 2007 Blanc de blancs - Extra-Brut

The nose is aromatic, clear, precise and elegant. It reveals notes of citrus, apple, pineapple and flowers associated with a touch of beeswax and yellow fruit. The palate is fruity, gourmand, elegant, relatively straight and offers a small mineral frame. The effervescence is very fine, elegant and dynamic. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, apple and mandarin combined with a touch of pineapple, a hint of yellow fruit, quince, as well as slight touches of zest and a discreet hint of brioche. Good length and persistence.

Score : 16

Champagne Colin - Blanc de blancs 2007 Grand Cru

A beautiful creamy mousse. The nose is elegant, fine and relatively intense. It reveals notes of yellow fruit, honey and slight notes of dried fruit combined with a touch of quince, a hint of dried lemon zests and a hint of gingerbread. The palate is fruity, elegant, suave and well defined. The effervescence is fine and elegant. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of quince, lemon and slight notes of yellow fruit associated with slight notes of apple, dried zest, a touch of pineapple, almond and brioche. Good length.

Score : 16.25

Champagne Froment-Griffon Privilege 2011 - Premier Cru - Brut

The nose is aromatic. It reveals notes of fresh fruits, citrus and white fruit associated with slight notes of yellow fruit, discreet vinous hints as well as a hint of brioche and a discreet hint of leather. The palate is fruity, gourmand, elegant, suave and offers a beautiful volume. The effervescence is very fine, elegant and slightly creamy. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of pear, lemon and slight notes of clementine associated with slight notes of pineapple and a discreet note of brioche. Good length.

Score : 16

Champagne Dom Caudron Sublimité 50/50 - 2008 - Chardonnay

(50% Pinot Meunier, 50% Chardonnay)

The nose is fruity, creamy and quite gourmand. It reveals notes of pear and brugnion associated with a touch of lemon, ripe white fruit as well as a discreet hint of brioche and a slight hint of almond. The palate is fruity, gourmand, suave and offers fat, generosity and a fine minerality in the background. The effervescence is well made. In the mouth this Cham-

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pagne expresses notes of pear and brugnion associated with touches of citrus (lemon, mandarin), a hint of pineapple as well as a discreet hint of butter brioche and a discreet touch of fresh almond. Good length. A beautiful Champagne.

Score : 15.5

Champagne Michel Gonet - Grande Réserve Blanc de Blancs - Assemblage 2009 - Brut

(1/3 Mesnil sur Oger, 1/3 Montgueux, 1/3 Vindey)

The nose is fresh and fine. It reveals notes of chalky minerality, lemon zest and papaya associated with a touch of grass. The palate is fruity, suave, well built, mineral, relatively fat and offers a good structure, elegance and a small tension. The effervescence is fine and relatively creamy. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon and peach combined with a touch of tangerine and slight notes of minerality. Good length.

Score: 15.75

Champagne Colin - Proles et Chétivins Blanc de Blancs 2005 - Extra Brut - 1er Cru

A beautiful creamy mousse. The nose is fruity, elegant and offers a sensation of fat. It reveals notes of lemon, white fruits and fresh pineapple combined with a touch of eggs cream, acacia, white flowers as well as a hint of quince and brioche. The palate is fruity, elegant, straight, fine and offers tension and balance. The effervescence is very fine and elegant. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of yellow fruit (pineapple ...), lemon and slight notes of clementine associated with discreet touches of exotic fruits as well as slight touches of sweet spices. Good length.

Score: 16.25

Champagne Billecart-Salmon Blanc de Blancs 2004 - Brut

The nose is elegant, mineral, delicate, complex and offers a sensation of creaminess. It reveals notes of lemon, minerality and eggs cream combined with slight touches of peach, a few very discreet woody notes as well as slight notes of citrus, butter biscuit and a hint of quenette. The palate is fruity, very fine, elegant, delicate, aromatic, suave, creamy and offers a beautiful minerality. The effervescence is fine, creamy and beautifully pure / elegant. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon and egg cream associated with discreet touches of granny apple, pineapple, mandarin, as well as slight touches of walnut / almond (in the background). Good length and persistence. The finish is aromatic, powerful, elegant, fruity and mineral (chalky minerality).

Score : 17.75

Champagne Michel Gonet Blanc de Blancs 2011 - Brut Nature Grand Cru

A beautiful creamy mousse. The nose is lively and minerals. It reveals notes of peach, citrus and lemon associated with slight notes of minerality and white flowers. The palate is fruity, mineral / limestone, racy and offer some righteousness as fat. The attack is fresh. The effervescence is fine, bright and relatively abundant. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, vine peach associated with a touch of pear as well as a discreet vinous touch / touch of almond and biscuit. Good length and slightly dusty persistence. Freshness on the finish.

Score : 15.25

Champagne Michel Gonet Blanc de Blancs 2008 - Extra-Brut

The nose is fruity and relatively gourmand. It reveals notes of brugnion, grape and lemon associated with a hint of lychee, flowers and a discreet hint of lily and dried fruit. The palate is fruity, round, elegant, straight, well-balanced, relatively fat and offers a fresh frame. The effervescence is fine and well made. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon associated with a touch of vine peach, lychee as well as a hint of mandarin, citrus (in the background) and a few discreet woody / spicy notes on the finish. Small roundness on the finish.

Score : 16

Champagne Michel Gonet Blanc de Blancs 2010 - Brut - Grand Cru

The nose is quite gourmand and offers a slight sucrosity. It reveals notes of white fruit (pear, brugnion ...) associated with a few notes of exotic fruits as well as a few slight notes of citrus (in the background). The palate is fruity, fine, well-balanced and offers a small mineral / acid / limestone frame (in the background). The effervescence is very fine and quite elegant. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of brugnion, pear and lemon combined with touches of mandarin, slight / discreet notes of tarte Tatin (in the background) as well as discreet touches of baked apple, butter and almond (in the background). Good length.

Score : 15.75

Champagne Yann Alexandre Blanc de Blancs - Millésime 2009 - Brut

The nose is fruity, relatively incisive and relatively gourmand. It reveals notes of ripe pineapple, lemon and slight notes of white fruit associated with a hint of exotic fruits / papaya. The palate is fruity, mineral, racy, gourmand and relatively suave. The effervescence is fine and well-made. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, mandarin and Granny apple associated with slight notes of nectarine and a discreet note of papaya / fresh citrus. Good length.

Score : 15.5

Champagne Pierre Launay Blanc de blancs 2008 Extra-Brut

The nose is fruity. It reveals notes of apple, white flowers and pineapple combined with a touch of lemon as well as slight vinous notes, a hint of lime, dried fruits and exotic fruits. The palate is fruity, dynamic, supple and offers roundness, a slight touch of fat (in the background) and a fine vinous touch on the finish. The effervescence is fine, abundant and dynamic. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of citrus zest, citrus and slight notes of exotic fruit associated with slight notes of apple as well as notes of dried fruit / almond and slight touches of spices on the finish. Good length.

Score : 15

Champagne Michel Gonet Blanc de blancs - Assemblage 2009 - Brut

(1/3 Mesnil sur Oger, 1/3 Montgueux, 1/3 Vindey)

The nose is fruity, fine and relatively elegant. It reveals notes of lemon, apple and chalk associated with a touch of zest and a discreet note of lemon cream. The mouth is beautifully fruity, mineral, beautifully fresh, elegant and quite gourmand. The effervescence is fine and creamy. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, clementine and a slight note of grapefruit associated with a touch of apple and a hint of pear. Good length.

Score : 16.25

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Champagne Julien Chopin Les Originelles 2010 - Blanc de blancs Premier Cru - Brut

The nose is fine and a bit discreet. It reveals notes of lemon, lemon zest and flowers. The palate is fruity, elegant, racy, relatively fat and offers a certain dynamism. The effervescence is fine and slightly discreet. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, Granny apple and slight notes of lime associated with a touch of pineapple, grapes and a discreet touch of flowers. Good length.

Score : 16

Blanc de noirs

Champagne Laurent Lequart Blanc de noirs - Brut Nature

The nose is fruity and relatively powerful. It reveals notes of apple and slight notes of citrus associated with slight mineral notes, a hint of zest as well as a few discreet touches of smoke. The effervescence is very fine, slightly creamy, tight and elegant. The mouth is fine, elegant, relatively gourmand, racy and relatively fat. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon and slight notes of lime associated with a touch of tangerine, granny apple and a touch of pomelos. Good length.

Score : 15

Champagne Allouchery-Perseval Tradition - Blanc de noirs - 1er Cru - Brut

The nose is fresh, fine and offers a slight creaminess. It reveals notes of white brugnon, vine peach and quince associated with hints of peach compote and discreet hints of apricot. The palate is fruity, dynamic, fresh and relatively gourmand. The effervescence is relatively creamy and very fine. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of nectarine, vine peach and slight notes of mandarin combined with a touch of orange, beeswax as well as a hint of brioche and a discreet hint of apricot. Good length. There is a slight bitterness on the finish.

Score : 14.75

Champagne Marilynne Perron Blanc de Noirs - Brut intégral - L'haubette

The nose is fruity and "clean". It reveals notes of lemon and lemon pie associated with a discreet touch of apple (in the background) as well as a slight hint of yellow fruit and beeswax. The palate is fruity, well-conducted, well-balanced, well structured, relatively fat and offers roundness, a certain elegance and a good volume. The effervescence is very fine, tight, well made and slightly creamy. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, mandarin and apple associated with discreet touches of vine peach (in the background) and a discreet hint of beeswax and dried fruit. Good length.

Score : 14.75

Apollonis - Champagne Michel Lorient Authentic Meunier - Blanc de noirs - Brut

(100% Pinot Meunier)

The nose is fruity, quite gourmand and relatively elegant. It reveals notes of apple, apricot and papaya combined with a touch of quenette, citrus as well as a slight note of leather, almond and biscuit (discreet). The palate is fruity, straight and offers a small tension, suavity and a certain elegance. The effervescence is very fine and dynamic. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, apple, quince and slight notes of pineapple associated with a touch of grape, quenette and honey. Good length.

Score : 15

Champagne Daniel Collin Tradition - Blanc de Noirs - Brut

(30% Pinot Noir, 70% Pinot Meunier)

The nose is aromatic. It reveals notes of quince and beeswax associated with a vinous hint and a discreet touch of citrus (orange) in the background. The palate is fruity, well built and relatively gourmand. The effervescence is well made. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, mandarin and quince associated with slight notes of apple compote and a discreet note of hot peach. Good length.

Score : 14.5

Champagne R. Du- mont & Fils Blanc de Noirs - Nature - Brut

The nose is fruity and quite gourmand. It reveals notes of lemon associated with a touch of lime, flowers, red fruit (discreet) and white fruit. The palate is fruity, mineral, harmonious, suave and offers freshness and a chalky minerality. The effervescence is very fine and well conducted. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, apple and slight notes of lime associated with a touch of exotic fruit, pear as well as

slight touches of limestone / saline minerality on the finish. Good length.

Score : 14.75

Champagne Boizel Blanc de Noirs - Brut

The nose is fruity and aromatic. It reveals notes of stewed white fruits (pear), pineapple and slight notes of lemon associated with discreet notes of small red fruits, brioche, tangerine and a hint of quince. The palate is fruity, fresh, relatively gourmand and offers a good structure and dynamism. The effervescence is fine and well made. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, apple and slight notes of pineapple associated with a touch of tangerine as well as a hint of quince, honey and brioche.

Score : 15

Champagne Dom Caudron Cornalyne - Blanc de Noirs

The nose is fruity. It reveals notes of citrus (lemon, mandarin), Granny Smith apple and ripe peach combined with a touch of tarte Tatin, fresh pineapple and a discreet note of butter. The palate is fruity, relatively



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mineral, well-conducted and offers a small freshness, a certain generosity, tension and a certain suavity. The effervescence is well made. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, peach and slight notes of pineapple associated with slight notes of white fruit as well as a discreet touch of apricot and plum. Good length. A gourmand wine!

Score : 15.25

Champagne Gallimard Père & Fils Cuvée de Réserve - Brut

(100% Pinot Noir)

The nose is fruity and offers a small creaminess sensation. It reveals notes of grapefruit zest, lemon, clementine and slight notes of granny apple associated with slight notes of peach and a touch of papaya. The palate is fruity, well built, supple and relatively elegant. The effervescence is very fine, quite abundant and creamy. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of mandarin, lemon and slight notes of peach associated with slight notes of white fruit (nectarine, apple), pineapple and tangerine.

Score : 14.75

Champagne Henriët-Bazin Blanc de Noirs - Extra-Brut - Grand Cru

The nose is fruity, aromatic and gourmand. It reveals notes of lemon, papaya, cassis and slight notes of zest combined with touches of toast / oak / butter, flowers and a discreet note of fresh pineapple. The palate is fruity, gourmand, suave and elegant. The effervescence is very fine and relatively creamy. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, apple and slight notes of papaya associated with touches of orange, a touch of chalk as well as a discreet note of blackberry and plum. Good length.

Score : 15.75

Champagne Déroutat Blanc de Noirs - Grand Cru - Extra-Brut

The nose is fresh and fine. It reveals notes of white fruit associated with slight notes of citrus (lemon, mandarin) and a touch of pink grapefruit. The palate is fruity, gourmand, dynamic, well built and offers a small tension, fat and suavity. The effervescence is fine and well conducted. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, mandarin and slight notes of peach associated with small notes of granny apple as well as a touch of quince, a discreet note of physalis and pink grapefruit. Good length.

Score : 15.25

Champagne Jacquinet Blanc de Noirs - Brut

(100% Pinot Noir)

The nose is fruity and gourmand. It reveals notes of strawberry and candied cherry associated with slight touches of citrus (in the background) and a hint of passion fruit, raspberry and a discreet touch of spice. The palate is fruity, elegant, fresh, relatively gourmande and offers a beautiful minerality / freshness and a small / slight acid frame. The effervescence is elegant and creamy. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of raspberry and a touch of redcurrant associated with a hint of strawberry, touches of citrus (lemon, a touch of tangerine), slight touches of zest and a discreet touch of sweet spices. Good length and persistence.

Score : 15.75

Champagne Déroutat Blanc de Noirs - Grand Cru - Extra-brut

The nose is fresh and fine. It reveals notes of white fruit associated with slight notes of citrus (lemon, mandarin) and a touch of pink grapefruit.

The palate is fruity, gourmand, dynamic, well-built, relatively fat and offers a small tension and suavity. The effervescence is fine and well-made. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, mandarin and slight notes of vine peach associated with small notes of Granny apple as well as a touch of quince, a discreet note of physalis and pink grapefruit. Good length.

Score : 15.25

Champagne Pierre Trichet Le Caractère - Blanc de Noirs Premier Cru - Brut

A beautiful mousse. The nose is gourmand and relatively fine. It reveals notes of blackberry, apple and slight notes of nectarine associated with slight notes of citrus and a discreet hint of wild strawberry (in the background). The palate is fruity, gourmand, elegant, suave, well built and offers tension. The effervescence is very fine and relatively creamy. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of strawberry, apple and nectarine associated with slight notes of citrus and a touch of pear. Good length. A harmonious and elegant Champagne!

Score : 16.25

Champagne Pierre Launay Blanc de Meunier 2012 - Brut

The nose reveals notes of apple and lemon associated with slight notes of mandarin as well as discreet notes of honey, dried fruit (in the background) and a hint of dried cherry. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, fat, slightly vinous, round and quite elegant. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of white fruit (apple ...) and lemon associated with touches of exotic fruit and a hint of quenette. Good length and persistence with notes of Granny Smith apple.

Score : 15.25

Champagne André et Michel Drappier Brut Nature - Zéro Dosage - Pinot Noir

A beautiful mousse. The nose is fruity, gourmand, relatively fresh and relatively elegant. The nose reveals notes of white fruit and slight notes of fresh cherry associated with a hint of citrus, as well as slight notes of eggs cream. The palate is fruity, gourmand, elegant, straight, racy, mineral and suave. The effervescence is very fine, rich and dynamic. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of white fruit (apple, white peach) associated with slight notes of lemon and a small / discreet touch of eggs cream.

Score : 15.5

Champagne Henriët-Bazin - Marie-Amélie Fleur de Vigne 2008 - Blanc de Blancs Brut - Premier Cru

The nose reveals notes of citrus (lemon and fine notes of clementine) associated with slight notes of vine peach and a touch of exotic fruits. The palate is fruity, mineral, elegant, straight and harmonious. On the palate this Champagne expresses fine notes of ripe citrus (lemon, clementine) associated with touches of pineapple, vine peach as well as small notes of exotic fruits (passion fruit ...). Good length

Score : 15.5

Millésime Blanc de noirs

Champagne Louis Dousset Blanc de Noirs 2003 - Grand Cru

The nose is elegant. It reveals notes of yellow fruit associated with slight notes of orange zest, quince and a discreet vinous note associated with a discreet woody note / note of almond and biscuit. The palate is fruity,

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gourmand, elegant and offers a beautiful fat and suavity. The effervescence is well made. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, quince and beeswax associated with a touch of apple, papaya as well as a discreet hint of litchi, brioche and slight touches of roasted almonds. Good length. There is a fine touch of chalky minerality on the finish.

Score : 16

Champagne Louis Dousset Blanc de Noirs 2002 - Grand Cru

The nose is fruity. It reveals notes of lemon, lemon zest and slight notes of quenette, pear and pineapple associated with slight notes of praline and speculos. The palate is fruity, elegant, harmonious, relatively fat and offers a small freshness and a small tension. The effervescence is fine, elegant and relatively creamy. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of mandarin, lemon and slight notes of pineapple associated with slight notes of pear, tropical fruit as well as a discreet note of green apple and a discreet note of biscuit. Good length.

Score : 16

Champagne Guy Charbaut Blanc de Noirs 2009 Extra Brut - Premier Cru

A beautiful mousse. The nose is fine, elegant and relatively aromatic. It reveals notes of white fruit (nectarine, apple) associated with slight notes of lemon zest, white flowers as well as a discreet touch of grapes and a touch of crème anglaise. The palate is fruity, fresh, relatively gourmand, ample, quite straight and offers suavity and a chalky / racy minerality. The effervescence is very fine and elegant. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of citrus zest (orange, lemon), lemon and slight notes of Williams pear combined with a touch of papaya and mandarin. Good length.

Score : 15.5

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Champagne Laurent Lequart LL Millésime 2008 - Brut

The nose is fruity. It reveals notes of citrus (lemon, quince) combined with fine notes of yellow fruit and a hint of beeswax, a discrete hint of clementine and butter. The palate is fruity, relatively fat, suave, quite elegant, fluid offers a small minerality, a good expression / definition, a good precision and a certain harmony. The effervescence is very fine and frank. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of quince, ripe pineapple, peach and slight notes of lemon associated with a few small notes of clementine as well as slight notes of apple and a vinous touch. Good length.

Score : 15

Champagne Michel Fagot Cuvée Sélection des Clos 2004 Premier Cru - Brut

The nose expresses notes of fruit (citrus, apple, yellow fruit) combined with a touch of leather, quince as well as a hint of almond and a discreet note of biscuit. The palate is fruity, elegant, suave, well-structured and relatively fat. The effervescence is well conducted. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of quince, mandarin and a discreet touch of grapefruit zest associated with touches of apple, a discreet hint of pear, pineapple, physalis and brioche. Good length.

Score : 14.75

Champagne Yveline Prat Millésime 2008 - Brut

(60% Chardonnay, 20% Pinot Noir, 20% Pinot Meunier)

The nose is fruity and relatively incisive. It reveals notes of lemon zest, golden apple and discreet notes of tangerine zest associated with slight notes of physalis / almond, flowers and biscuit. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a well made effervescence. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of citrus, pineapple and yellow brugnon associated with slight notes of physalis, quince and beeswax. Good length. There are notes of mandarin on the persistence.

Score : 14.75

Champagne Waris Hubert Blanche 2010 - Grand Cru

The nose is aromatic, fresh and a bit gourmand. It reveals notes of peach compote, fresh citrus and slight notes of fresh white fruit associated with small notes of fresh flowers. The palate is fruity, straight and offers a small tension, harmony and a certain elegance. The effervescence is very fine and quite abundant. In the mouth this Champagne expresses crunchy peach and citrus (mandarin, lemon) associated with slight notes of fresh pear, apple and slight touches of zest.

Score : 15.25

Champagne Piot-Sévillano Edition 2009 - Brut

(80% Pinot Meunier, 10% Chardonnay, 10% Pinot Noir)

The nose is aromatic, relatively elegant and quite straight. It reveals notes of green apple, acacia and slight notes of white flowers associated with a touch of eggs cream. The palate is fruity, relatively gourmand, clean and offers a certain minerality and a small tension. The effervescence is fine, tight and relatively elegant. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of white fruit (nectarine, apple) and lemon combined with a discreet note of eggs cream and a touch of clementine.

Score : 15

Champagne Vignon Père & Fils Les Marquises Millésime 2008 - Brut

A beautiful mousse. The nose is relatively gourmand. It reveals notes of apple compote associated with touches of ripe williams pear, citrus as well as a discreet note of almond, dried fruit and a vinous touch. The palate is fruity, relatively fat, round, racy and offers a small acid frame. The effervescence is fine and well built. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of williams pear and slight notes of pineapple associated with slight notes of lemon as well as a touch of mandarin, honey, almonds and a small vinous touch. Good length.

Score : 15

Champagne Gallimard père & Fils Millésime 2011 - Cuvée Prestige - Brut

The nose is fruity, incisive. It reveals notes of lemon, lemon zest, white grapefruit zest associated with a slight vinous touche as well as a few slight touches of honey and brioche. The palate is elegant, straight, fruity, relatively fat and offers a small tension, freshness / minerality and a good structure. The effervescence is dynamic, abundant and well built. In the mouth this champagne expresses notes of lemon, pineapple and candied pear associated with slight notes of apple, touches of apricot and a discreet note of beeswax (in the background). Good length.

Score : 15

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Champagne Déroutat - Cuvée Cécile Millésime 2010 - Brut - 1er cru

The nose reveals notes of white fruits combined with touches of ripe pineapple, lemon as well as a hint of apple compote, a touch of beeswax, slight touches of yellow fruit, a very discreet hint brioche and muesli. The palate is fruity, fat, round and offers a good volume and a small mineral frame. The effervescence is fine, dynamic, well-made and slightly creamy (small creaminess). In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, pineapple and Granny apple associated with slight notes of zest, golden apple and a discreet note of pâtisserie. Good length.

Score : 15

Champagne Georges de la Chapelle Millésime 2006 - Brut

(65% Chardonnay, 20% Pinot Noir, 15% Pinot Meunier)

The nose is fruity and aromatic. It reveals notes of lemon, white fruit (pear, nectarine) associated with slight floral notes and a touch of pineapple. The palate is fruity, fat, elegant, silky, sleek and well built. The effervescence is very fine, well done and offers a small creamy side. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of quince, yellow peach, pineapple and apple combined with slight notes of orange as well as discreet notes of citrus (in the background). Good length.

Score : 15.25

Apollonis - Champagne Michel Lorient Les Virtuoses - Inspiration de Saison 2008 Extra-Brut

(70% Pinot Meunier, 30% Chardonnay)

The nose is aromatic and elegant. It reveals notes of quince, clementine and slight notes of beeswax associated with a discreet vinous touch as well as a hint of almond and a discreet touch of straw. The palate is fruity, gourmande, suave, fat, racy (chalk) and straight. The effervescence is fine, elegant and relatively creamy. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, quince, peach and yellow zest associated with a touch of apple, pineapple and a vinous touch / touch of dried fruit. Good length and persistence.

Score : 15.5

Champagne J. de Telmont Grand Vintage 2005 - Brut

The nose is fruity, elegant and quite aromatic. It reveals notes of citrus fruits (quince, lemon, mandarin) combined with slight notes of honey as well as a touch of pâtisserie and a discreet hint of almond. The palate is fruity, elegant, straight and offers tension. The effervescence is very fine, elegant, slightly creamy and well made. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of citrus (lemon, orange, quince) and slight notes of red apple combined with slight notes of beeswax and a discreet touch of brioche. Good length.

Score : 15.75

Apollonis - Champagne Michel Lorient Les Virtuoses - Inspiration de Saison 2008 Extra-Brut

(70% Pinot Meunier, 30% Chardonnay)

The nose is aromatic and elegant. It reveals notes of quince, clementine and slight notes of beeswax associated with a discreet vinous touch as well as a hint of almond and a discreet touch of straw. The palate is fruity, gourmand, suave, fat, racy (chalk) and straight. The effervescence is fine, elegant and relatively creamy. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, quince, yellow peach and zest associated with a touch of apple, pineapple and a vinous touch / touch of dried fruit. Good length

and persistence.

Score : 15.5

Champagne Goutorbe-Bouillot Clos des Monnaies 2010 Extra-Brut

Creamy mousse. The nose is fruity, fresh, quite complex, relatively dynamic and relatively precise. It reveals notes of quince and citrus combined with a touch of honey, a vinous touch, slight notes of mandarin as well as a few discreet notes of wood and apricot. The palate is fruity, mineral, ample, creamy and offers dynamism, roundness and a mineral / citrus frame. The effervescence is fine, rich, creamy and quite elegant. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon and mandarin combined with a vinous touch, a discreet hint of honey as well as a discreet touch of dried fruit / oak and slight touches of pineapple. Good length. Good potential !

Score : 16.25

Champagne Lutun Millésime 2008 - Brut

The nose is fruity, full, aromatic and relatively fine. It expresses notes of compote associated with a touch of yellow fruit, white fruit as well as discreet notes of citrus and slight notes of quince. The palate is fruity, mineral and offers a good freshness and an acid / citrus frame. The effervescence is fine and creamy. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of citrus and hints of lemon, mirabelle plum combined with a touch of honey, slight notes of apple, a hint of brugnion as well as slight touches of stewed fruit and a very discreet note of dried fruits. Good length. The finish is gourmand.

Score : 15.5

Champagne Michel Gonet 2005 fut de chêne Cuvée authentique - Grand Cru

The nose is quite aromatic. It reveals notes of exotic fruit associated with a slight note of orange, kumquat, almond, oak as well as a hint of lemon and a touch of mushroom. The palate is fruity, round, full, fat, relatively complex and offers a beautiful acid frame, complexity and freshness. The effervescence is very fine, tight and bright. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, mandarin, woody notes, almond and dried fruit associated with slight notes of apple, peach as well as slight touches of dried fruit. Good length and persistence. A food-friendly Champagne.

Score: 16.25

Champagne Billecart-Salmon Nicolas François Billecart 2002 Brut

The nose is delicate, elegant, beautifully built and offers a beautiful maturity of the fruit. It reveals notes of white peach, mirabelle plum and creme brulee associated with slight touches of sugar cane, dried / roasted nuts, roasted pineapple and a hint of brugnion compote. The palate is fruity, fine, delicate, elegant, suave, straight and offers creaminess, a good maturity of the fruit, a beautiful freshness and a certain roundness. The effervescence is creamy, fine and very elegant. In the mouth this Champagne expresses slight notes of lemon and pineapple combined with a discreet touch of tangerine, walnut as well as very discreet notes of cooked fruit and a very discreet touch of honey on the finish. Good length and persistence. The finish is suave. A beautiful Champagne but I advice to keep it in cellar for a few years (3-5 years).

Score : 18.5

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Champagne Henriët-Bazin Brut Nature - Millésime 2009 - 1er Cru

(60% Pinot Noir, 40% Chardonnay)

A beautiful mousse. The nose is elegant and fine. It reveals notes of citrus, vine peach and slight notes of exotic fruits (pineapple, a hint of quenette) associated with small notes of dried fruit (pineapple, citrus, dried mango) as well as small notes of dried orange zest and a discreet vinous touch. The palate is fruity, elegant, dynamic and relatively fat. The effervescence is very fine, elegant, dynamic, bright and slightly creamy. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of vine peach, pear and slight notes of brugnion associated with notes of lemon as well as touches of tangerine, quenette, candied/dried fruits and a hint of honey. Good length.

Score : 15.75

Champagne R. Dumont & Fils Millésimé 2006 - Brut

A beautiful creamy mousse. The nose is relatively elegant and harmonious. It reveals notes of citrus (lemon, mandarin) combined with slight notes of apple, a discreet touch of ripe pineapple as well as a touch of toasted bread and a hint of hawthorn. The palate is fruity, relatively gourmand, well-balanced, relatively fat and offers elegance. The effervescence is very fine, tight and elegant. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, mandarin candy and slight notes of pear compote associated with slight notes of apple, red fruits and discreet touches of lime in the background. Good length.

Score : 15.75

Champagne Allouchéry-Perseval Millésime 2007 Premier Cru

The nose is fruity and quite elegant. It reveals notes of citrus and lemon combined with a touch of honey, dried fruit as well as a discreet hint of white flowers, butter and brioche. The palate is fruity, elegant, suave, ample, relatively straight and offers a small acid frame. The effervescence is fine and elegant. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, quince and slight notes of honey, pear associated with discreet touches of tangerine, apricot and dried fruit. Good length and good persistence.

Score : 15.5

Champagne Jacquinot - Symphonie Millésime 2007 - Brut

(60% Chardonnay, 40% Pinot Noir)

The nose is fine, quite aromatic and offers a sensation of creaminess. It reveals slight touches of pâtisserie / vanilla crêpes, citrus and white fruit (a touch of brugnion, a hint of pear) combined with a discreet hint of jam, caramel and toast. The palate is fruity, mineral, slightly creamy, relatively gourmand, relatively bright and offers a small acid frame. The effervescence is fine and slightly creamy. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of brugnion, citrus (lemon, clementine), minerality and a touch of pear associated with a discreet touch of zest and a few slight woody notes. Good length.

Score : 15.5

Champagne Michel Gonet - Cuvée authentique 2004 - Grand Cru - Extra Brut

The nose is fruity. It reveals touches of mango, lychee and quenette associated with a touch of honey, citrus, dried fruit, vanilla as well as a discreet touch of pepper and mushroom. The palate is fruity, mineral, racy, fresh, beautifully defined and relatively fat. The effervescence is fine, slightly creamy, tight and bright. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of honey, quince, mango and a touch of honey combined with slight notes of lemon, a discreet touch of brugnion as well as discreet vinous notes / notes of dried fruit on the persistence. Good length and persistence.

Score : 16.5

Champagne Pierre Trichet L'Exception 2009 Premier Cru - Brut

The nose is fruity and quite fine. It reveals notes of lemon, lemon zest, as well as discreet notes of granny apple. The palate is fruity, dynamic, elegant, beautifully fruity, straight, fine and offers a small tension. The effervescence is very fine and elegant. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, lemon zests and slight notes of apple associated with slight / discreet notes of white fruit in the background. Beautiful persistence. Good length.

Score : 16.5



Champagne Michel Gonet Millésimé 2009 Mesnil-sur-Oger Grand Cru

The nose is fresh, fruity and relatively lively. It reveals notes of lemon associated with a slight

note of grape as well as a touch of honey and a discreet hint of acacia flower. The palate is fruity, mineral, well-balanced, well-built, relatively fat and offers a beautiful structure. The effervescence is very fine (beautiful finesse!), tight, creamy and well-made. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, honey, dried fruit and almond associated with slight touches of citrus and a discreet hint of pineapple. Good length.

Score : 15.5

Champagne Boizel Grand Vintage 2007 - Brut

(40% Chardonnay, 50% Pinot Noir, 10% Pinot Meunier)

A beautiful creamy mousse. The nose is elegant and fine. It reveals notes of lemon, pear and apple associated with discreet notes of zest and a discreet touch of eggs cream. The palate is fruity, gourmand, suavity, relatively fat and offers minerality, tension and a good volume. The effervescence is very fine, dynamic and elegant. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of white fruit (pear, apple, a touch of white nectarine) associated with slight notes of citrus (lemon, mandarin) as well as a touch of eggs cream, a discreet vinous touch and a discreet touch of pineapple (in the background).

Score : 16.75

Champagne Paul Goerg Cuvée Lady 2005 - Premier Cru

The nose is elegant, fine and relatively generous. It reveals notes of citrus (lemon, clementine) associated with slight notes of mango as well as

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a touch of acacia, white flowers, green apple and a discreet touch of almond. The palate is fruity, gourmand, elegant, fine, relatively deep and offers a beautiful tension, suavity and balance. The effervescence is fine and delicate. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, apple and slight notes of clementine zest associated with discreet touches of pink grapefruit, nectarine as well as a very discreet hint of mango and hazelnut. Good length.

Score : 16.25

Champagne Guy Charbaut Millésime 2006 - Premier Cru - Brut

The nose is fine and fresh. It reveals notes of lemon, yellow fruits, acacia, almond and chalk associated with a touch of green apple. The palate is fruity, gourmand, suave and elegant. The effervescence is very fine and elegant. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, acacia, green apple, chalk and slight notes of white fruits combined with a touch of almond and papaya. Good length.

Score : 16.25

Champagne Lacourte-Godbillon Millesimé 2008 - Brut - Premier Cru

(50% Pinot Noir, 50% Chardonnay)

The nose is fine and fresh. It reveals notes of nectarine associated with a discrete note of citrus, flowers / acacia, pear and a discreet note of apricot. The palate is fruity, gourmand, elegant and relatively suave. The effervescence is very fine. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of apple, mandarin and slight notes of lemon associated with slight notes of apricot as well as a touch of pear and a discreet note of orange. Good length.

Score : 16.25

Champagne Drappier Grande Sèndrée 2008 - Brut

Beautiful mousse. The nose is fruity, elegant and quite discreet. It reveals notes of citrus (lemon, clementine) combined with a touch of white fruits, a discreet touch of crème pâtissière and a discreet touch of almond. The palate is fruity, gourmand, elegant and offers suavity, a beautiful balance and a mineral frame. The effervescence is fine and elegant. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon combined with a touch of apricot (in the background), a few slight notes of nectarine, a discreet hint of clementine, slight notes of pâtisserie and discreet woody touches (bring roundness). Good length.

Score : 16.75

Champagne Gosset Grand Millésime 2006 - Brut

A beautiful mousse. The nose is elegant, fine, fruity and relatively generous. It reveals notes of fresh lemon and slight notes of clementine associated with discreet notes zest, ripe pineapple as well as a touch of Granny apple, vanilla and a hint of apple blossoms. The palate is fruity, fine, elegant, relatively fat, quite straight, relatively "aerial" and offers suavity and tension. The effervescence is very fine, elegant, lively and quite creamy. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, mandarin and slight notes of Granny Smith apple associated with slight touches of lime, a discreet touch of orange as well as slight notes of flowers, a discreet touch of honey and almond on the finish/aftertaste. Good length.

Score : 17.25

Champagne Billecart-Salmon Millésime 2006 - Extra-brut

The nose is fruity, fine, elegant and relatively gourmand. It reveals notes of lemon, lemon zest and slight notes of mandarin combined with a dis-

creet touch of orange and lemon blossoms. The palate is fruity, elegant, straight, fine and offers a small acid / citrus frame. The effervescence is very fine, creamy and elegant. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, lemon zest and slight notes of tangerine associated with a touch of lime zest as well as a hint of apple, pineapple and a very discreet note of green almond. Good length and persistence with notes of lemon zest.

Score : 16.5

Champagne Veuve Clicquot Ponsardin Cuvée La Grande Dame 2006 Brut

The nose is fruity, elegant and gourmand. It reveals notes of fresh fruit, minerality, citrus and lemon associated with touches of yuzu as well as slight notes of pineapple, pear and a discreet touch of almond. The palate is fruity, fat, fine, elegant, ample, fresh, round and voluminous. The effervescence is very elegant, fine and relatively creamy. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of candied lemon and slight notes of zest associated with small notes of pineapple, quenette, lemon as well as touches of pear, mandarin and a slight hint of grapefruit. Good length.

Score : 17.5

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Champagne Piot-Sevillano Brut Prestige

The nose is fruity. It reveals notes of beeswax, quince and mirabelle plum combined with a few slight notes of citrus (in the background) as well as a hint of almond and a discreet hint of yellow peach. The palate is fruity, gourmand, round, relatively fat and suave. The effervescence is fine and well made. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, clementine and slight notes of quince associated with small hints of crunchy Granny Smith apple as well as a touch of beeswax, discreet notes of brioche / dried fruit and a discreet touch of yellow peach.

Score : 15

Champagne Lionel Carreau Cuvée Préambules Brut

The nose is aromatic and fine. It reveals notes of quince, yellow fruit, lemon and slight notes of physalis associated with a discreet touch of almond. The palate is fruity, gourmand, relatively elegant and offers a small minerality. The effervescence is well built and very fine. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, mandarin, quince and apple associated with a touch of physalis as well as slight notes of almond. Good length.

Score : 15

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Champagne Waris-Hubert Chardonnay - Grand Cru Zero dosage

The nose is fine, elegant, dry and right / franc. It reveals notes of green apple skin, lemon and peach skin associated with notes of chalk, flowers, a fine hint of brioche and a discreet touch of linden-tree. The palate is fruity, elegant, racy, straight and offers a chalky minerality. The effervescence is very fine and elegant. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, zest and green apple combined with slight notes of peach, mandarin zest and chalk. Good length.

Score : 15.75

Champagne Lionel Carreau Tradition - Brut

The nose is fruity and relatively gourmand. It reveals notes of ripe peach, lemon and slight notes of pear associated with a discreet note of mandarin zest and a discreet touch of brioche. The palate is fruity, gourmand, fat and well-balanced. The effervescence is well made. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of peach, lemon and slight notes of Williams pear associated with a touch of apple and a discreet notes of clementine. Good length.

Score : 14.75

Champagne Dom Caudron Epicurienne - Brut

The nose is fruity and relatively gourmand. It reveals notes of lemon, dried fruit and slight notes of papaya, flowers associated with discreet notes of pear and linden-tree. The palate is balanced, fruity and offers a racy minerality. The effervescence is very fine, abundant and dynamic. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of pear, pineapple and slight notes of lemon associated with slight notes of mandarin and rhubarb. Good length.

Score : 14.75

Champagne Waris-Hubert 1er Cru - Brut

The nose reveals notes of quince and white fruit (granny apple, williams pear) associated with touches of pineapple and citrus. The palate is fruity, relatively gourmand and offers fat and a minerality frame. The effervescence is very fine, elegant, dynamic and bright. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of peach, lemon and pineapple associated with discreet notes of apricot, quenette and granny apple / williams pear. Good length.

Score : 15.25

Champagne R. Dumont & Fils Solera Réserve - Brut

The nose is fine. It reveals notes of yellow pineapple and notes of peach associated with slight notes of citrus (lemon, mandarin) and a touch of linden-tree (discreet). The palate is fruity, relatively gourmand, mineral and offers a good volume and fat. The effervescence is very fine. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of pineapple, papaya and slight notes of lemon associated with discreet notes of peach. Good length.

Score : 14.75

Champagne J. de Telmont Grande Réserve - Brut

The nose is fruity, elegant and quite gourmand. It reveals notes of citrus (lemon, tangerine) and white fruit (nectarine, apple) associated with a discreet note of pâtisserie and yellow fruit. The palate is fruity, fine, elegant, fat, round, soft and offers a beautiful definition, a beautiful matter

and structure. The effervescence is fine, elegant, a bit discreet and slightly creamy. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, mandarin and slight notes of fruit paste associated with slight notes of white fruit as well as a discreet touch of nectarine, white grape and slight notes of pâtisserie. Good length. A beautiful Champagne!

Score : 15.75

Champagne Julien Chopin Carte d'or - Brut

The nose is fruity. It reveals notes of lemon, lime, minerality and slight notes of white fruit (a touch of apple and pear) associated with a discreet hint of acacia. The palate is fruity, fat, round and offers a small acid / citrus frame, a good volume and a slight freshness (in the background). The effervescence is well-made, fine and bright. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, mandarin and white fruit (pear, nectarine) associated with touches of lime and a hint of green apple. Good length.

Score : 14.75

Champagne Duntze - Cuvée Bleue Brut légende

The nose is fine, aromatic, relatively intense, racy and offers freshness. It reveals notes of honey and dried apricot associated with slight touches of quince, candied fruit / fruit paste (pineapple, lemon), peach as well as slight notes of citrus and slight notes dried fruit. The palate is fruity, dynamic, mineral, elegant, relatively bright, relatively straight and offers tension. The effervescence is very fine and relatively discreet. In the mouth this Champagne expresses slight notes of yellow fruit, roasted pineapple, citrus (mandarin, a discreet touch of lemon) associated with slight touches of beeswax and caramel. Good length.

Score : 15.75

Champagne GF Duntze Cuvée Blanche - Brut Légende

The nose is fresh and mineral (limestone). It reveals slight notes of lemon, mandarin combined with hints of flowers, apple, vine peach and a very discreet touch of zests, pâtisserie and elderflower. The palate is fruity, racy, relatively fat, relatively straight and offers a certain volume, minerality and tension. The effervescence is fine and relatively discreet. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, tangerine, granny apple and slight notes of flowers associated with touches of ripe peach and a discreet hint of pear. Good length and persistence with notes of citrus. Small suavity on the finish.

Score : 16

Champagne Billecart-Salmon Brut Réserve

The nose is elegant, fine and offers freshness. It reveals notes of eggs cream associated slight touches of lemon cream, vine peach, pear and a discreet touch of rose. The palate is fruity, elegant, soft, delicate, relatively fat and offers suavity as well as a beautiful and slightly creamy matter. The effervescence is very fine, elegant, delicate and creamy. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of pear in syrup, white fruit and citrus associated with a discreet touch of vine peach, slight touches of flowers as well as discreet notes of pâtisserie and a discreet touch of sugar cane. Good length and persistence. The finish is suave.

Score : 16

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Champagne Duntze Cuvée verte - 1er Cru

The mousse is creamy. The nose is fresh, fruity, elegant, relatively rich and offers a certain freshness. It reveals notes of yellow fruits and pineapple combined with a touch of quince, a hint of citrus as well as a hint of baked brioche, a discreet touch of green almond and a slight hint of lime zest. The palate is fruity, relatively fat, relatively straight and offers a mineral / fruity structure, dynamism, elegance, a small acidity, tension and a certain volume. The effervescence is very fine, moderately abundant, elegant and slightly discreet. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of quince, small bright yellow fruit and citrus (orange, a very slight hint of lemon) associated with slight notes of brioche, crème pâtissière as well as a discreet touch lemon zest and honey on the finish. Good length.

Score : 15.75

Champagne Goutorbe-Bouillot Louise B Cuvée Prestige - Brut

(50% Chardonnay, 50% Pinot Noir)

The nose is fine, fruity and relatively elegant. It reveals notes of lemon associated with slight notes of white peach, a hint of quince as well as a touch of white flowers and a discreet hint of fresh tea leaf. The palate is fruity, mineral, relatively fat and offers an acid frame and finesse. The effervescence is creamy. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, Granny apple and golden apple associated with touches of brugnion, a hint of quince as well as slight vinous touches on the finish. Good length.

Score : 15.75

Champagne Jacquinet Private Cuvée - Brut

The nose is relatively subtle. It reveals slight notes of citrus and butter brioche. The palate is fruity, mineral, elegant and relatively fat. The effervescence is fine and slightly creamy. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon zest and a hint of mandarin associated with slight notes of pineapple, a touch of yellow fruit as well as slight notes of brioche and vanilla. Good length.

Score : 15.5

Champagne Goutorbe-Bouillot Réserve - Brut

(80% Pinot Noir, 20% Chardonnay.)

The nose is fruity but a bit discreet. It reveals notes of lemon and white fruit (apple, pear) associated with a hint of tangerine, peach skin and a slight chalky note. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, relatively fat and offers a fruity / acid frame and a beautiful bright fruits. The effervescence is creamy and fine. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of white fruit (granny apple, peach) and lemon associated with a slight touch of tangerine on the finish as well as discreet notes of fat / pear compote.

Score : 15.25

Champagne Goutorbe-Bouillot Louise B - Cuvée Prestige - Brut

The nose is fine, fruity and relatively elegant. It reveals notes of lemon associated with slight notes of white peach, a hint of quince as well as a touch of white flowers and a discreet hint of fresh tea leaf. The palate is fruity, mineral and offers an acid frame, fat and finesse. The effervescence is creamy. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, Granny Smith apple and Golden apple associated with touches of brugnion, a hint of quince as well as slight vinous touches on the finish. Good length.

Score : 15.75

Champagne Goutorbe-Bouillot Carte d'Or - Brut

The nose is fresh, relatively dry and fruity. It reveals notes of pear, lemon, lime and slight notes of lemon paste associated with a discreet hint of peach (in the background). The palate is fruity, mineral, well-balanced and offers fat and a slight acid frame. The attack is fresh and supple. The effervescence is abundant, very fine, bright and slightly creamy. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, mandarin and slight notes of lemon paste associated with slight notes of pear, nectarine and a touch of exotic fruits. There is a small freshness on the finish.

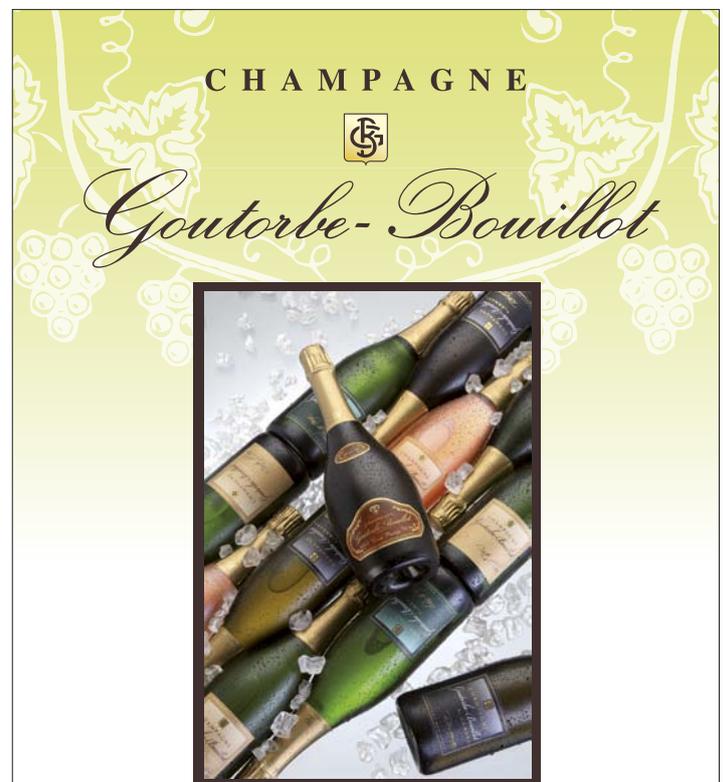
Score : 15

Champagne Piot-Sévilano Rebelle - Brut

(100% Chardonnay)

The nose is fruity, relatively gourmand and relatively generous. It reveals notes of lemon, fresh apple and slight notes of minerality associated with a discreet note of lime as well as a discreet touch of white flowers and acacia flowers. The palate is fruity, gourmand and relatively fat. The effervescence is fine and abundant. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of apple, nectarine and slight notes of lemon associated with slight notes of mandarin as well as a touch of fresh grapes and a discreet hint of lime. Good length.

Score : 15.25



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Champagne Gallimard Père & Fils Cuvée Grande Réserve Chardonnay - Brut

The nose is fresh. It reveals notes of apple, a touch of nectarine and small notes of citrus as well as a hint of pear and fresh almonds. The palate is fruity, mineral and relatively gourmande. The effervescence is very fine and very bright. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of pear, lychee, lemon as well as a hint of apple and discreet hint of butter. Good length.

Score : 14.5

Champagne M. Hostomme Tradition - Brut

(40% Chardonnay, 40% Pinot Meunier, 20% Pinot Noir) A beautiful mousse. The nose is relatively elegant, fruity and fresh. It reveals notes of lemon, pineapple and slight notes of apple associated with discreet notes of white fruit (including nectarine, a discreet hint of pear). The palate is fruity, gourmand, relatively suave, elegant and offers a beautiful matter and tension. The effervescence is relatively elegant, slightly creamy and a bit discreet. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of apple, lemon and slight notes of white nectarine associated with slight notes of pineapple and small touches of citrus. Good length.

Score : 15.25

Champagne Pierre Launay Prestige - Brut

Beautiful mousse. The nose is fruity and relatively generous. It reveals notes of lemon cream associated with a slight touch of pineapple, white fruit (nectarine, pear) as well as a touch of honey and a discreet hint of caramel. The palate is fruity, gourmand, fluid, suave and offers a fruity / mineral frame (chalk) and freshness. The effervescence is fine and well-made. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of eggs cream and lemon combined with a touch of pineapple, nectarine, apple and a slight note of honey (in the background). Good length.

Score : 15.25

Champagne Pierre Launay Grande Réserve - Brut

The nose is aromatic. It reveals notes of white flowers, citrus and white fruits combined with a touch of honey and a discreet touch of toasted / almond. The palate is fruity, relatively gourmand, fluid and offers small suavity. The effervescence is fine and well-built. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of apple and quince combined with a touch of honey and a discreet note of crunchy white peach and toast / almond.

Score : 15

Champagne Pierre Launay Expression - Brut

The nose is fruity, relatively gourmand / generous. It reveals notes of lemon and quince associated with a hint of honey and a touch of apple. The palate is fruity, relatively gourmand, suave, relatively fat and offers a certain roundness and a small racy minerality. The effervescence is well made. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon and quince associated with a touch of tangerine as well as a discreet touch of bee wax and brioche. On the finish there is a discreet touch of lime. Good length.

Score : 14.75

Champagne Le Brun de Neuville Lady de N Cuvée Chardonnay - Brut

The nose reveals notes of dried citrus, dried fruit and slight notes of brioche associated with fine notes of minerality / chalk. The palate is fruity, fresh, fat, dynamic and offers minerality and an acid frame. The attack is frank. The effervescence is very fine. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of citrus, fat, slight notes of pear, brioche and dried fruit associated with slight woody notes, notes of minerality / chalk, slight touches of zest, tangerine juice and a discrete note of lime. Good length and persistence. The finish is fat.

Score : 15

Champagne Petit & Bajan Ambrosie - Grand Cru - Extra-brut

(70% Chardonnay, 30% Pinot)

The nose is fine, racy / chalky, dunless the Cuvée Nuit Blanche). It reveals notes of white fruits / ripe peach and a touch of citrus associated with a very discreet note of marmalade, a very discreet hint of cooked fruits / baked peach and a discreet touch of salted butter caramel. The palate is fruity, fresh, mineral, right, bright, "clean", elegant, quite gourmande and offers roundness. The effervescence is very fine, rich, elegant, bright and slightly creamy. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, tangerine and Granny apple associated with slight notes of exotic fruits and a hint of apple compote. Good length and persistence. A beautiful fruity Champagne !

Score : 16.5

Champagne Laurent-Perrier Brut

(50% Chardonnay, 35% Pinot Noir, 15% Pinot Meunier)

The nose is fruity, fine and elegant. It reveals notes of Granny Smith apple associated with slight notes of lemon, mandarin, flowers, pineapple and a discreet note of apricot. The palate is fruity, dynamic, round, elegant, gourmand and slightly fleshy. The effervescence is fine, abundant, fat and bright. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of pear, Granny Smith apple and lemon combined with touches of mandarin, candied pear, sweet pineapple, as well as slight notes of lemon zest and a hint of yuzu. Good length and persistence.

Score : 16

Champagne Hélène Delhéry Éclat de Perles - Brut

(60% Pinot Noir, 40% Chardonnay)

The nose is fruity, fresh and dynamic. It reveals notes of lime zest and peach combined with touches of lemon, slight notes of fresh pineapple as well as a touch of Granny Smith apple and flowers. The palate is fruity, fresh, elegant, suave, fat, quite concentrated, quite straight and offers finesse and tension. The effervescence is fine and abundant. On the palate this Champagne expresses notes of lime and lemon zest associated with touches of clementine, vine peach as well as a fine vinous notes and a hint of exotic fruit (fresh pineapple ...).

Score : 15.5

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Champagne Haton - Jean-Noel Extra - Brut

The nose is fruity, fresh and quite elegant. It reveals notes of citrus and quince associated with touches of apricot, honey and almond. The palate is fruity, mineral, elegant, suave, fine and nicely built. The effervescence is fine, dynamic, rich and elegant. On the palate this Champagne expresses notes of quince and citrus combined with touches of mandarin and a touch of beeswax. Good length. A nice Champagne!

Score : 16

Champagne Boulachin Chaput Carte Noire - Brut

(80% Pinot Noir, 20% Chardonnay)

The nose is fruity. It reveals notes of white fruit, baked apple and slight notes of flowers associated with notes of citrus, a small note of blackberry as well as a touch of butter and a discreet hint of caramel. The palate is fruity, mineral, elegant, fat, suave, round and offers some fluidity. The effervescence is fine. On the palate this Champagne expresses notes of citrus associated with small notes of white fruit (baked apple, touches of pear and white peach), discreet notes of blackberry, raspberry and a slight note of honey. Good length.

Score : 15.5

Champagne Lutun - Prestige - Brut

(40% Pinot Noir, 40% Chardonnay, 20% Pinot Meunier).

The nose is fruity, fresh, fine and crystalline. It reveals notes of nectarine and a touch of citrus, lemon associated with slight touches of quenette, flowers as well as a slight note of passion fruit and minerality. The palate is fruity, fine, mineral and well-balanced. The effervescence is beautifully made, fine, elegant, straight, slightly creamy and slightly discreet. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of lemon and mandarin combined with a touch of quenette, a hint of brugnion, tropical fruit, pineapple as well as discreet notes of fresh almond, honey and a touch brioche. Good length.

Score : 15.25

Champagne Lutun - Brut

(60% Pinot Meunier, 25% Pinot Noir, 15% Chardonnay)

The nose is fine, fruity, accessible and offers a certaine finesse. It reveals notes of yellow fruit (pineapple ...), white fruit and a touch of lemon combined with a hint of lemon zest. The palate is fruity, relatively fine, gourmand, relatively fat and offers roundness. The effervescence is very fine, straight, elegant and feminine. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of yellow fruit and lemon combined with a discreet touch of fat, pear compote as well as a slight hint of quince / honey and a discreet hint of green almond.

Score : 14.75

Champagne Waris-Larmandier Cuvée Sensation – Brut

The nose is fresh, quite elegant and fine. It reveals notes of white fruit associated with slight notes of flowers and citrus. The palate is fresh, incisive, racy, dynamic and relatively round. The effervescence is fine. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of white fruit associated with a few small notes of orange, citrus, quenette, pâtisserie as well as a slight note of beeswax.

Score:15.25

Champagne Delamotte - Blanc de Blancs

The nose is fresh, fine, fruity and elegant. It reveals notes of citrus, apple, flowers associated with notes of lemon. The palate is fruity, fine, elegant, quite fat and offers tension. The effervescence is fine, quite elegant and abundant. On the palate this Champagne expresses notes of lemon, lemon zest and clementine associated with slight notes of white fruit as well as a few slight notes of pear (in the background) and a discreet touch of hazelnut / biscuit. Good length and elegance.

Score: 16



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Domaine Drouhin Pinot Noir 2013

Willamette Valley - Oregon

The nose reveals notes of cherry, plum and a few notes of ripe fruit combined with small notes of leather, spice and slight notes of Sichuan pepper. The palate is fruity, juicy and balanced. In the mouth this wine expresses notes of cherry, raspberry and blackberry combined with touches of black cherry as well as touches of oak, licorice and vanilla. Tannins are well done, fine and slightly firm. Good length and persistence with notes of cherry cream.

Score : 15

J Wrigley - 2014 Riesling Willamette Valley - McMinnville AVA

The nose is aromatic and fruity. It reveals slight botrytised notes associated with notes of honey, apricot as well as touches of mango, white flowers and fine notes of peach jam. The palate is fruity, delicate, balanced, elegant, nicely mineral, quite deep and offers a nice acidity / tension (acid frame). In the mouth it expresses notes of apricot, peach and citrus fruit (quince, clementine) associated with fine notes of honey, pear as well as touches of nectarine and crunchy Granny apple. Good length.

Score : 16

J Wrigley - Proposal Block 2013 Estate Pinot Noir Willamette Valley - McMinnville AVA

The nose is powerful, aromatic, nicely complex and quite concentrated. It reveals notes of black fruit (plum, blackberry, black cherry) associated with small notes of dried red currant, small touches of raspberries, notes of spices (black pepper, Sichuan pepper, Ceylon tea) as well as slight notes of cocoa / dark chocolate in the background. The palate is fruity, well-structured, elegant and offers tension, juiciness, a fruity frame and a slight minerality. In the mouth this wine expresses notes of red fruit combined with touches of blackberry, black cherry, a few fine notes of caramel / nougatine as well as a fine note of raspberry vinegar, hints of vanilla and woody touches. Tannins are well conducted.

Score : 15

J Wrigley - « Mac » Cuvée 2013 Pinot Noir Willamette Valley - McMinnville AVA

The nose offers a velvety sensation. It reveals notes of spices, blueberry, plum, blackberry and violet associated with fine notes of cumin, pepper and leather. The palate is fruity, mineral, round, fat and offers tension and a slight velvety matter. In the mouth this wine expresses notes of black cherry and blackberry combined with touches of Quetsche plum skin, minerality and slight notes of red fruit (in the background) as well as fine notes of chocolate cream, oak and discreet notes of vanilla. Tannins are fine and slightly dry. Good length.

Score : 15

J Wrigley Rosé of Pinot Noir - 2014

Willamette Valley - McMinnville AVA

The nose is fruity, gourmand and offers some freshness. It reveals notes of raspberry candy and gooseberry associated with fine notes of flowers and blackberry. The palate is fruity, gourmand, fat, quite suave and provides an acid frame. In the mouth this wine expresses notes of acidulous cherry candy and blackberry combined with touches of crushed strawberry in the background. Good length. A well-made and gourmand rosé!

Score : 15

J Wrigley 2014 Pinot Gris

Willamette Valley - McMinnville AVA

The nose is fresh. It reveals notes of citrus and lemon zest combined with touches of pineapple, flowers and a slight note of papaya and kiwi. The palate is fresh, fruity and provides some creaminess and an acid frame as well as tension. In the mouth this wine expresses notes of citrus juice and lemon zest combined with a few notes of pineapple, slight notes of white fruits (apple, pear) in the background as well as small woody notes and vanilla.

Score : 14.5

The Four Graces - Pinot Gris 2014

Willamette Valley

The nose is fruity and quite fine. It reveals notes of nectarine associated with touches of yellow fruit, lemon and a hint of pineapple. The palate is fruity, mineral, elegant, fat, gourmand, suave, quite precise and offers tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of nectarine, melon, tangerine and zest associated with touches of clementine zest. Good length. Good job !

Score : 15.25



Edge Field - Vineyard Select Riesling 2014 Elhanan Vineyard

Willamette Valley

The nose reveals notes of lavender and slight notes of nectarine associated with a touch of rose and a few fleshy/juicy fruit. The palate is fruity, gourmand, well-balanced, fat and full. On the palate this wine expresses notes of brugnion, exotic fruits, candied pear and mandarin candy associated with a hint of roasted pineapple. Good length.

Score : 14.75

Edge Field - Vintage Select Chardonnay 2012 - Quadrato Vineyard

Willamette Valley

The nose reveals notes of fresh cut grass and eucalyptus combined with a slight touch of apple and fruit basket. The palate is fruity, fresh, mineral, relatively full and offers a good structure. On the palate this wine expresses notes of Granny Smith apple, red apple and slight notes of citrus associated with a touch of mango. Good length.

Score : 14.5

The Four Graces - Pinot Blanc 2014

Willamette Valley

The nose is relatively fine, precise, beautifully made and quite elegant. It reveals notes of citrus associated with touches of zest, white flowers

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and grapefruit. The palate is elegant, fat, nicely fruity, well balanced and crunchy. On the palate this wine expresses notes of citrus associated with touches of pineapple, mango, slight notes of citrus zest and a hint of quenette and papaya. Good length.

Score : 15

The Four Graces - Pinot Noir 2012

Willamette Valley

The nose is fruity, elegant and offers a velvety sensation. It reveals notes of cherry combined with a touch of plum, violet as well as a few slight woody notes and a small earthy touch. The palate is fruity, silky, relatively suave, beautifully made and offers a certain elegance. On the palate this wine expresses notes of plum and blackberry combined with a touch of dark cocoa, a slight touch of raspberry as well as a woody hint (elegant) and a touch of chocolate truffles (in the background). Tannins are fine and slightly firm. Good length.

Score : 15.25

The Four Graces - Pinot Noir 2013

Dundee Hills - Willamette Valley

The nose is beautifully built, aromatic and offers a velvety sensation. It reveals notes of cassis and violets combined with a touch of lilac, wood, earth (terroir) as well as a touch of flower essence and graphite. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good concentration and a certain juiciness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy cassis associated with touches of fig, wild strawberry, cherry, black cherry, as well as slight / fine notes of fruit jam (in the background) and slight woody / spicy notes (vanilla, coconut). Tannins are fine and supple. Good length and persistence with notes of juicy cassis and cassis cream.

Score : 15

The Four Graces Pinot Noir 2013 Yamhill Carlton Reserve

Willamette Valley

The nose reveals notes of cherry combined with a touch of sour cherry, flowers as well as a touch of mocha and a slight / discreet note of black tea. The palate is fruity, mineral, sleek and balanced. On the palate this wine expresses notes of black cherry, cherry and slight notes of cassis associated with a touch of red fruit, oak and a touch of mocha. Tannins are fine and silky. Good length.

Score : 14.75

The Four Graces Black Family Estate Pinot Noir 2012

Dundee Hills - Willamette Valley

The nose is relatively elegant. It reveals notes of cherry and acid fruit associated with touches of flowers, rose and plum. The palate is fruity, suave, fleshy and offers a good sucrosity. On the palate this wine expresses slight woody notes and cherry associated with a few notes of violet as well as a few slight notes of coconut (in the background). Tannins are fine.

Score : 15

The Eyrie Vineyards Rosé of Pinot Noir 2014

Willamette Valley

The nose reveals notes of redcurrant associated with a touch of blackcurrant bud and slight notes of flowers in the background. The palate is fruity, mineral, well-balanced, fine and offers a certain roundness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of peach and candied cherries combined with touches of raspberry and a touch of blackberry. Good length and persistence.

Score : 14.5

The Eyrie Vineyards Pinot Noir 2013 - Original Vines

Willamette Valley

The nose reveals notes of black cherry combined with a touch of cherry, raspberry, mocha, spices and a discreet woody hint and pepper. The palate is fruity and well-balanced. On the palate this wine expresses notes of raspberry, redcurrant, cherry and plum associated with a hint of blackberry as well as a few slight spicy notes (in the background). Good length.

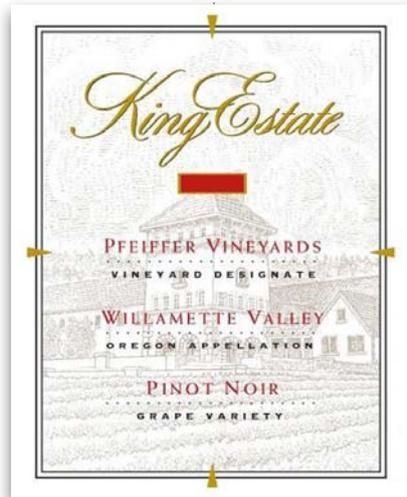
Score : 15.5

The Eyrie Vineyards Pinot Noir 2012 - Original Vines

Willamette Valley

The nose reveals notes of cherry, leather / earth and truffle associated with slight notes of blackberry. The palate is fruity, balanced, racy, elegant and relatively juicy. On the palate this wine expresses notes of cherry associated with slight notes of blueberry, raspberry and a slight touch of chocolate / mocha. Tannins are fine. Good length and persistence.

Score : 15.25



The Eyrie Vineyards - Secret Cellar Selection Barrel Reserve Pinot Noir 1986

Willamette Valley

The nose reveals notes of leather and slight notes of dark fruit (in the background) combined with a touch of truffle, toast as well a discreet note of flowers. The palate is balanced, relatively fleshy, relatively fat and offers a certain elegance. On the palate this wine expresses notes of mocha, fleshy strawberry and leather combined with slight woody touches (in the background) and a few touches of raspberry balsamic (in the background). Tannins are fine, supple and elegant. Good length.

Score : 15.25

King Estate Pfeiffer Vineyards 2012 Pinot Noir

Willamette Valley

The nose reveals notes of blueberry, fig and juicy black fruit combined with a few slight notes of mocha (in the background). The palate is fruity, mineral, juicy, elegant, harmonious, relatively fat, relatively fat and offers an acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of cherry, blackberry cream and plum associated with small notes of black cherry juice as well as a few slight notes of mocha (in the background). Tannins are fine and quite elegant. Good length.

Score : 15.75

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**King Estate - Pfeiffer Vineyards
Pinot Gris 2013
Willamette Valley**

The nose reveals notes of mirabelle plum, yellow fruit and hay associated with slight notes of citrus, quince, flowers and a discreet notes crushed grape seeds. The palate is fruity, mineral, relatively fat and offers a beautiful acidity (in the background), tension as well as a beautiful and slightly creamy matter. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy tangerine and blood orange combined with a touch of papaya, a few slight notes of lemon (in the background) as well as a few slight notes of lemon zest. Good length.

Score : 15

**King Estate - Freedom Hill 2010
Pinot Noir
Willamette Valley**

The nose reveals notes of baked plum and black cherry combined with a touch of blackberry as well as slight notes of cornflower and mocha. The palate is fruity, mineral, relatively silky, a bit fat, slightly «aerial» and offers a small acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fig, blueberry and cassis combined with touches of black cherry, cherry juice, fine notes of plum skin as well as a touch of cornflower, blackberry, a hint of berries, a fine touch of vanilla and coconut (discreet). Good length.

Score : 15

**King Estate
Roserock & Zena Crown 2011
Willamette Valley**

The nose is racy. It reveals notes of raspberry and spices combined with touches of blackberry, cherry as well as touches of dried flower and a hint of vanilla. The palate is fruity, juicy, balanced and offers a beautiful minerality and an acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of raspberry and cherry associated with a touch of plum, a few notes of rose (in the background) as well as notes of minerality. Tannins are fine and slightly dry. Good length.

Score : 14.75

**Pfeiffer - Epic 12
2012 Blue Dot Reserve Pinot Noir
Willamette Valley**

The nose is powerful, aromatic, elegant and complex. It reveals notes of black fruit (blackberry, black cherry ...) associated with fine notes of truffle, chocolate, discreet notes of mushroom as well as fine notes of cherry, flower (violet, touch of iris) and a few woody hints. The palate is fruity, mineral, harmonious, juicy, racy, elegant and beautifully balanced. On the palate this wine expresses notes of cherry, juicy black fruit, cassis and slight notes of dark cherry associated with a touch of fig, blackberries, slight woody notes as well as a hint of chocolate and a discreet touch vanilla. Tannins are fine, elegant and integrated. Good length.

Score : 17

**Brigadoon - Pinot blanc 2014
Willamette Valley**

The nose reveals notes of minerality / flint and nectarine associated with a few slight notes of white fruit (in the background) as well as slight notes of flowers and exotic fruits. The palate is fruity, harmonious, relatively fleshy and offers a small acid frame and a good fruit expression. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy peach associated with touches of apricot (in the background), a touch of beeswax and a slight note of vanilla (in the background).

Score : 14.75

**Brigadoon - Rosé of Pinot Noir 2014
Willamette Valley**

The nose reveals notes of redcurrant associated with a few fine notes of raspberry as well as slight notes of jam and a discreet touch of rose. The palate is fruity, suave, fat and offers a small creaminess and a small sucrosity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy raspberry, cherry and slight notes of crushed strawberry associated with mineral touches. Good length.

Score : 15

**Brigadoon - Riesling 2014
Willamette Valley**

The nose is aromatic. It reveals notes of flowers (rose, white flowers, lemon flowers and a hint of iris) associated with a few notes of candied citrus (lemon, mandarin) and a hint of pineapple. The palate is fruity, mineral, relatively gourmand and offers a beautiful structure, purity, juiciness and an acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of pineapple, tangerine and a few slight notes of juicy peach (in the background) associated with slight notes of lime zest, lemon, quenette, tangerine and pineapple on the finish. Good length. A gourmand and easy-drinking wine.

Score : 15.25

**Brigadoon - Lylee 2013 - Pinot Noir
Willamette Valley**

The nose is aromatic and well built. It reveals notes of blueberry, cherry and plum juice. The palate is fruity (juicy fruit), mineral, balanced, tight, relatively fat and offers roundness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of cherry and ripe raspberry associated with slight notes of plum, slight woody notes (discreet) and a few spices. Tannins are fine and slightly firm. Good length.

Score : 14.75

**Brigadoon - Taproot 2013 - Pinot Noir
Willamette Valley**

The nose is fine. It reveals notes of ripe fruit associated with a few notes of cherry, crushed black cherries, blackberries and a delicate touch of peony, a few spicy notes (sweet spices, tea ...). The palate is fruity, balanced, well-structured, ample and racy. On the palate this wine expresses notes of blackberry and raspberry associated with a few slight notes of cherry (in the background) as well as slight touches of toasted oak and a fine touch of cocoa. Tannins are fine and well done. Good length and persistence.

Score : 15

Columbia Gorge

**Willow Wine Cellars - 2014 Rosé
Starview Vineyards
Columbia Gorge**

The nose is fresh and relatively aromatic. It reveals notes of rose and notes of redcurrant associated with a slight vegetal touch as well as a few slight notes of raspberry (in the background). The palate is fruity, fat, aromatic and fresh. The attack is slightly «perlant». On the palate this wine expresses notes of strawberry and raspberry associated with a touch of acidulous candy.

Score : 14.25

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Phelps Creek Vineyards Pinot Gris 2014 Columbia Gorge

The nose is gourmand and fruity. It reveals notes of small yellow fruit, mirabelle plum and fresh grapes. The palate is fruity, round, quite elegant and offers a good sucrosity / fruit maturity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of peach and grape combined with touches of citrus (sweet tangerine, touch of lemon) as well as slight spicy / woody notes (discreet). Good length.

Score : 14.75

The Gorge White Chardonnay 2013 - Celilo Vineyard Columbia Gorge

The nose reveals notes of flowers combined with touches of white melon, papaya, as well as a few slight notes of apple (in the background) and a discreet touch of lavender. The palate is fruity, round, fresh and gourmand. On the palate this wine expresses notes of candied apple and fresh grape associated with a few slight notes of nectarine (in the background) and a touch of citrus (including clementines). Good length.

Score : 14.5

Phelps Creek Vineyards Le Petit Pinot Noir 2013 Columbia Gorge

The nose is gourmand and a bit discreet. It reveals notes of dried strawberry and notes of cherry associated with touches of flowers (in the background) and a few small notes of spices. The palate is fruity, full, gourmand and offers freshness / minerality. On the palate this wine expresses notes of raspberry associated with touches of strawberry, a few slight notes of dried plum (in the background), cherry as well as a few delicate woody notes.

Score : 14.5

Wy'East Vineyards Pinot Gris 2014 - Estate Grown Columbia Gorge

The nose is aromatic and fruity (good maturity of the fruit). It reveals notes of nectarine skin associated with slight notes of quince, exotic fruits as well as a touch of tangerine, a few notes of zest (in the background) and a discreet touch of lime. The palate is fruity, round and quite fleshy. On the palate this wine expresses notes of nectarine, quince and mandarin combined with touches of fresh grapes, a few notes of quette and slight notes of white fruit / nectarine. Good length.

Score : 14.75

Wy'East Vineyard Chardonnay 2014 Estate Grown Columbia Gorge

The nose reveals notes of apple and a few slight notes of flowers (in the background) associated with notes of minerality / flint and a touch of citrus (in the background). The palate is fruity, round, fat, elegant, quite ample and relatively gourmand. On the palate this wine expresses notes of apple and brugnon / nectarine associated with hints of almond, watermelon, citrus (in the background) as well as a slight woody notes. Good length and persistence.

Score : 14.75

Wy'East Vineyards Blue Chip Pinot Noir 2013 - Estate Grown Columbia Gorge

The nose is relatively elegant. It reveals notes of cherry and leather combined with a few notes of raspberry, truffle as well as a slight spicy notes (in the background). The palate is fruity, ample, round, fat, full, gourmand and offers a good structure. On the palate this wine expresses notes of dried strawberry, cherry and cassis juice combined with a touch of blackberry. Tannins are fine and integrated. Good length.

Score : 14.75

Wy'East Vineyards - Vinette's Cuvée Pinot Noir 2013 - Estate Grown Columbia Gorge

The nose reveals notes of candy and flowers (touch of rose, lavender) associated with a few notes of cherry and blackberry combined with a touch of pepper. The palate is fruity, mineral, full and fat. On the palate this wine expresses notes of cherry and cassis juice combined with a touch of blackberry, raspberry as well as a few notes of rose and fine notes of spices. Good length.

Score : 14.5

Wy'East Vineyards Reserve Pinot Noir 2013 - Estate Grown Columbia Gorge

The nose is complex and gourmand. It reveals notes of candy, plum and slight notes of caramel associated with notes of sour cherry, slight notes of lavender, dried fruit and a touch of spices. The palate is fruity, mineral and elegant. On the palate this wine expresses notes of raspberry, cherry, blackberry and cassis juice combined with a few notes of black fruit cream as well as a few slight notes of chocolate (in the background), toasted oak, coconut and vanilla. Good length.

Score : 15

Wy'East Vineyards Rosé 2014 Pinot Noir - Estate Grown Columbia Gorge

The nose reveals notes of rose, redcurrants candy and slight notes of blackberry candy associated with hints of minerality, raspberry (in the background) as well as very slight notes of spices (especially cardamom). The palate is fruity, fresh, mineral, full and beautifully gourmande. On the palate this wine expresses notes of raspberry / cherry candy and slight touches of blackberry (in the background) associated with slight notes of nectarine. Tannins are fine and integrated. Good length.

Score : 15

Wy'East Vineyards Tilly Jane Riesling 2014 Columbia Gorge

The nose reveals notes of lavender, lemon flowers and slight notes of rose combined with touches of iris, small notes of minerality as well as slight notes of citrus, apricot and very ripe peach. The palate is fruity, mineral, round, gourmand and precise. On the palate this wine expresses notes of nectarine, quince, mandarin and apricot associated with a touch of mango, a few notes of flowers (in the background) as well as slight touches of apricot Tarte Tatin, peach and citrus on the persistence. Good length. Good job!

Score : 15

Edge Field - Pinot Gris 2014 Dampier Vineyard Columbia Gorge

The nose reveals notes of melon associated with slight notes of orange zest and yellow fruit. The palate is fruity and offers a small minerality and

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fat. On the palate this wine expresses notes of nectarine, citrus zest and lemon combined with a few slight notes of apricot (in the background) and a touch of pineapple. Good length.

Score : 14.5

Edge Field - Pinot Noir Blanc 2013

Columbia Gorge

The nose reveals notes of raspberry associated with a few slight notes of redcurrant (in the background) as well as small notes of peach skin and a hint of cherry. The palate is fruity, full, gourmand, quite precise, relatively fat and relatively gourmand. On the palate this wine expresses notes of raspberry and nectarine associated with touches of baked apricots as well as a few slight notes of cherry. Good length.

Score : 14.75

Viento - Retro Riesling 2012

Columbia Gorge Vineyard

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The nose reveals notes of flowers (a hint of white flowers, a slight touch of white rose ...) as well as notes of honey combined with a touch of nutmeg and hints of fruit (in the background). The palate is racy, mineral, precise, fruity (good fruit expression) and offers tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of yellow peach, orange and mandarin combined with a touch of lemon and a hint of apricot. Good length.

Score : 14.75

Mt. Hood Winery - Dry Riesling 2014

Columbia Gorge

The nose is aromatic, floral and fruity. It reveals notes of rose, flowers (lemon flowers...) combined with hints of citrus, apricot and a slight note of spices (cumin ...). The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers an acid frame. In mouth this wine expresses notes of clementine juice associated with hints of lemon, mango as well as a few notes of exotic fruit (in the background) and a touch of apple (in the background). Good length and persistence.

Score : 15

Mt. Hood Winery - Pinot Noir Reserve 2012

Columbia Gorge

The nose reveals notes of cherry and slight floral notes (violet, a fine note of iris) associated with slight notes of oriental spices, plum as well as an empyreumatic touch. The palate is fruity, very juicy and offers a good fruit expression. On the palate this wine expresses notes of plum juice, cherry and notes of juicy berries / blackberry associated with a few slight notes of strawberry jelly (in the background). Tannins are integrated. Good length and fruity persistence. An «easy-drinking» wine!

Score : 14.25

Mt. Hood - Pinot Gris 2014

Columbia Gorge

The nose is fruity and gourmand. It reveals a few notes of fleshy fruit / citrus combined with touches of apricot, nectarine as well as slight notes of minerality. The palate is fruity, gourmand, suave, juicy and offers a nice sleek / unctuous matter. On the palate this wine expresses notes of mango and quenette associated with slight notes of apricot and nectarine. Good length.

Score : 14.75

Mt. Hood Winery - Gewürztraminer 2014

Columbia Gorge

The nose is fruity and gourmand. It reveals notes of flowers (white flowers, touches of lavender) associated with a few notes of white melon,

a fine note of honey and a touch of quince. The palate is suave, creamy, mineral, fat and well-balanced. In the mouth this wine expresses notes of nectarine and slight notes of grape associated with a touch of white melon, slight touches of honey as well as a touch of almond and sweet papaya on the finish. Good length and persistence.

Score : 14.5

Viento - Pinot Noir 2012

Amnala Vineyard

Columbia Gorge

The nose is fruity, relatively powerful and quite harmonious. It reveals notes of cherry and blackberry associated with a touch of plum, a fine violet note (in the background) and a touch of sweet spices. The palate is fruity, fresh / mineral, sleek, fluid and well-balanced. On the palate this wine expresses notes of blackberry, plum and spices combined with a touch of cherry, violets as well as slight notes of chocolate (in the background). Tannins are fine. Good length.

Score : 14.5

Viento - Zinfandel 2012

Columbia Gorge

The nose is fruity. It reveals notes of black fruit, dried fruit, dried plum skin and dried blackberry associated with a few slight notes of spices (cardamom, curcumin) in the background and a touch of licorice. The palate is fruity, mineral, racy and precise. On the palate this wine expresses notes of cherry, plum and blackberry associated with a few notes of cassis juice and of coconut (in the background). Tannins are fine and supple. Good length.

Score : 14

Viento - Icewine 2009

Columbia Gorge

The nose reveals notes of white flowers and lilac combined with touches of sour cherry, lychee, pear, honey as well as a hint of spices / cumin and a fine touch of verbena. The palate is fruity, mineral, well-balanced and quite aerial (not heavy texture!). On the palate this wine expresses notes of apple, a slight note of pear combined with a touch of apricot, lychee and peach in syrup. Good length.

Score : 15

Cathedral Ridge - Pinot Gris 2014

Columbia Gorge

The nose reveals notes of apple, a few slight notes of pineapple and slight notes of citrus. The palate is fruity, mineral and balanced. On the palate this wine expresses notes of nectarine and pineapple combined with touches of quince / citrus (in the background) and zest. Good length and persistence (citrus).

Score : 14.25

Cathedral Ridge - Pinot Noir 2009 Reserve - Dampier Vineyard-East

Columbia Gorge - Washington

The nose reveals notes of cherry, black cherry, and touches of flowers associated with a few slight notes of raspberry as well as slight notes spicy / woody notes in the background. The palate is fruity, mineral and offers small and racy acidity (terror). On the palate this wine expresses notes of red fruit, cherry and touches of raspberry associated with touches of blackberry, a hint of cassis and flowers. Tannins are well made. Good length.

Score : 14.75

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Cathedral Ridge - Tempranillo 2012 Ziegler Vineyard

Columbia Gorge - Washington

The nose reveals notes of dried strawberry and cherry combined with touches of spices, black tea as well as slight notes of black berries and licorice. The palate is fruity, mineral and well-balanced. On the palate this wine expresses notes of raspberry and blackberry combined with a touch of dried strawberry, small woody notes, with slight / discreet touches of liquorice. Tannins are a bit dry. Good length.

Score : 14.25

Columbia Valley

Willow Wire Cellars Albarino 2014

Columbia Valley

The nose is aromatic and offers a certain elegance. It reveals notes of peach and apricot combined with a touch of mango and quince. The palate is fruity and well-balanced. On the palate this wine expresses notes of lemon and physalis associated with a touch of mandarin as well as a few slight woody notes (in the background). Good length and persistence.

Score : 14.5

The Gorge White Red Wine 2012

Columbia Valley

The nose reveals notes of cherry associated with hints of blackberry, slight notes of strawberry, a few slight notes of tobacco as well as small notes of black fruit cream and mocha. The palate is fruity, round, fresh and relatively fat. On the palate this wine expresses notes of blackberry, plum and red fruit combined with a few notes of strawberry jam as well as a few slight notes of chocolate (in the background). Good length.

Score : 14

The Gorge White - Subduction Red Syncline 2013

Columbia Valley

(39% Syrah, 19% Mourvèdre, 15% Carignan, 12% Counoise, 11% Grenache, 4% Cinsault)

The nose is aromatic. It reveals notes of black fruit, plum and blackberry associated with a few animal touches and a touch of undergrowth. The palate is fruity, mineral and well-balanced. On the palate this wine expresses notes of strawberry and blackberry combined with hints of plum, raspberry, slight notes of cassis as well as a few slight woody / spicy notes (in the background) and a hint of gray pepper. Tannins are well-made. Good length.

Score : 14.5

Major Creek Cellars 2013 Syrah

Columbia Valley

The nose reveals notes of sour cherry associated with a few slight notes of blackberry (in the background), slight meaty touches and a touch of leather. The palate is well-balanced. On the palate this wine expresses notes of raspberry and juicy blackberry associated with a few slight notes of spices, blackberry cream, a touch of sour cherry as well as a touch of cocoa / chocolate and black tea. Tannins are well integrated. Good length.

Score : 14.25

Wy'East - Syrah 2013

Columbia Valley

The nose is aromatic and relatively powerful. It reveals notes of black tea and black berries associated with a few slight notes of dried strawberry / dried fruits, berries, spices and a touch of Sichuan pepper. After oxygenation there are a few touches of lavender. The palate is fruity, mineral, fresh and well-balanced. On the palate this wine expresses notes of plum, cherry, black fruit jam and strawberry combined with a touch of mocha, chocolate as well as touches of coconut / vanilla. Good length.

Score : 14.75

Wy'East Vineyards Cabernet Sauvignon 2012

Columbia Valley

The nose is aromatic. It reveals notes of black cherry, blackberry and cassis associated with a few spicy notes, slight notes of black berries and a touch of Sichuan pepper. The palate is fruity, mineral, well structured and a bit powerful. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fig, black berry, strawberry and raspberry combined with slight notes of blackberry, a hint of chocolate, wood and spices. Good length and persistence with notes of coffee and cocoa.

Score : 15

Edge Field Cuvée de l'Abri Rouge 2012

Columbia Valley

The nose is fruity. It reveals notes of red fruit (including cherries) and plum combined with a touch of big pepper berries, tea, fruit, a few slight notes of redcurrant (in the background) and a few notes of small black fruit. The mouth is fine, fruity, fat, elegant, full, racy, structured and a good matter. On the palate this wine expresses notes of cherry and blackberry combined with a touch of black berries, a few slight notes of pepper in the background. Good length.

Score : 14.75

Edge Field - Ferryman's Choice 2012

Columbia Valley

The nose is racy. It reveals notes of red fruits and blackberry associated with a few slight notes blackcurrant (in the background), woody touches and fine notes of truffle, slight notes of tobacco and volcanic rock. The palate is fruity, fresh, mineral and well-balanced. On the palate this wine expresses notes of red fruits (raspberry, redcurrant, cherry) and blackberry associated with slight touches of cassis, fine notes of chocolate, toast as well as slight notes of cocoa / vanilla. Tannins are a bit dry and tight. Good length and persistence.

Score : 14.75

Edge Field - Fireside Syrah 2008

Columbia Valley

The nose reveals notes of blackberry, plum and black berries associated with a few notes of minerality / rock, walnuts as well as a few slight notes of strawberry jam. The palate is fruity, fresh and well-balanced. On the palate this wine expresses notes of black fruit (blackberry, cassis, fig), prune and strawberry jam associated with a dark chocolate background with a touch of walnut, oak, juicy plum and a coffee key. Good length.

Score : 14.75

Mt. Hood Winery - Syrah 2012

Columbia Valley (Washington)

The nose is powerful and aromatic. It reveals notes of black fruit (berries...), cherry and earth / leather combined with a woody touch and

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slight notes of cocoa beans. The palate is fruity, mineral, unctuous, harmonious, dense and fluid. On the palate this wine expresses notes of blackberry, cassis, raspberry and redcurrant associated with notes of black fruit cream as well as touches of peppers (black pepper and fine touches of Sichuan pepper) on the finish. Tannins are fine and slightly dry. Good length and persistence.

Score : 14.75

Viento - Barbera 2012

Columbia Valley

The nose reveals notes of spices and blueberry juice associated with a hint of black tea, spices and dried flowers (dried rose). The palate is fruity, juicy, fluid, relatively powerful and offers minerality, a good density and hint of alcohol. On the palate this wine expresses notes of blueberry and blackberry associated with a touch of black cherry, a hint of fig, mocha and a touch of salinity. Good length and persistence.

Score : 14.25

Cathedral Ridge - Chardonnay Reserve 2012 McDuffee Vineyard

Columbia Valley

The nose is fruity and woody. It reveals notes fruit, papaya and flowers associated with touches of apples (in the background), a touch of cumin as well as woody notes. The palate is fruity, fresh, mineral, round and offers a small creaminess. On the palate this wine expresses notes of zest, apple and touches of fresh pineapple combined with a few slight notes of quince, cocoa, vanilla, wood and slight notes of caramel. Good length and fruity persistence.

Score : 14.5

Cathedral Ridge - Necessity White 2013

Columbia Valley

The nose reveals notes of spices and flowers (iris, a touch of orchid) associated with a few notes of apple, yellow fruit and peach. The palate is fruity, mineral, slightly silky and racy. On the palate this wine expresses notes of zest and citrus (lemon, a touch of clementine) associated with a hint of pineapple and grapes. Good length.

Score : 14

Cathedral Ridge Pinot Noir 2011 Reserve

Columbia Valley

The nose is a bit powerful. It reveals notes of leather combined with a touch of spices, a touch of Sichuan pepper as well as small notes of spices. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and mineral. On the palate this wine expresses notes of cherry, blackberry cream and slight notes of redcurrant associated with touches of blackberry, a touch of pepper as well as slight / fine woody notes and spices. Tannins are fine and supple. Good length.

Score : 14.75

Cathedral Ridge Bordheauxd Red 2012

Columbia Valley

The nose is relatively complex. It reveals notes of flowers (lilac, cornflower, a touch of iris) and a touch of leather, cherry, cassis combined with slight notes of blackberry and a touch of black tea. On the palate this wine expresses notes of cherry, cassis, blackberry and sour cherry combined with a touch of dried cherry, fig, slight notes of flowers and a hint of blueberry, woody touches and a few slight notes of vanilla (in the background). Tannins are fine and integrated. Good length.

Score : 14.75

Cathedral Ridge - Cabernet Sauvignon 2012 Columbia Valley

The nose is powerful and racy. It reveals notes of strawberry and cassis associated with slight notes of plum and black berries. The palate is fruity, mineral and offers a good structure, fat and a small juiciness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of cherry and raspberry combined with touches of blackberry, cassis and oak. Tannins are a bit firm. Good length.

Score : 14.5

Cathedral Ridge Cabernet Sauvignon Reserve 2011

Columbia Valley

The nose reveals notes of dried strawberry, black tea, blackberry and strawberry combined with touches of cassis, flowers (rose, a touch of violet ...) . The palate is fruity, mineral, fat, fluid and a bit ample. On the palate this wine expresses notes of raspberry and cassis associated with a touch of blackberry, slight notes of spices, Sichuan pepper and black/ Ceylon tea. Tannins are fine and slightly firm. Good length.

Score : 14.5

Cathedral Ridge - Cabernet Sauvignon Reserve 2010 - Hillside Vineyard

Columbia Valley

The nose reveals notes of flowers (iris, lilac, rose) associated with slight notes of blackberry, plum and slight notes of red fruit (strawberry) in background. The palate is fruity, mineral, fluid and offer fat. On the palate this wine expresses notes of blackberry, black berries and wood associated with a few notes of chocolate, a few slight notes of cherry, raspberry (in frame) as well as notes of minerality / salinity on the finish / persistence. Tannins are fine and firm. Good length.

Score : 14.5

Cathedral Ridge - Syrah 2012

Columbia Valley

The nose reveals black cherry associated with touches of cherry, spices and leather. The palate is fruity, mineral, dense, fat, ample and balanced. On the palate this wine expresses notes of red fruit (cherry, raspberry) and slight notes of chocolate associated with touches of blackberry, a touch of violet and a few slight woody notes (in the background). Tannins are fine and slightly dry. Good length.

Score : 14.75

Cathedral Ridge Barbera 2013 Reserve - Bolton Vineyard

Columbia Valley

The nose is a bit powerful. It reveals notes of black fruit and black berries combined with a touch of tea and wood. The palate is fruity, gourmand, powerful and offers a certain elegance. On the palate this wine expresses notes of blueberry cream, fig and blackberry associated with a touch of cherry as well as a small hint of vanilla and coconut. Tannins are well made. Good length.

Score : 15.25

Cathedral Ridge - Petit Verdot 2013 Echo Vineyard

Columbia Valley

The nose reveals notes of blackberry and slight notes of black berries associated with a touch of peppermint and a slight note of flowers. The palate is fruity, mineral, sleek, fat and offers a good density. On the palate this wine expresses notes of raspberry, blackberry and a few notes of cho-

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colate associated with a woody touch, coconuts and slight notes of black fruit on the persistence. Tannins are fine and slightly dry. Good length.
Score : 14.75

Cathedral Ridge - Zinfandel 2012 Reserve Columbia Valley

The nose reveals notes of blackberry, plum and violet associated with slight notes of cherry and a touch of spice. The palate is fruity, creamy, silky, mineral, gourmand and fine. On the palate this wine expresses notes of plum, black cherry and blackberry cream combined with slight strawberry cream notes, chocolate as well as a touch of juicy raspberry and a slight hint of orange (in the background). Good length. A gourmand and easy-drinking wine.
Score : 15

Marchesi Vineyards Achille - Barbera 2013 Columbia Valley

The nose reveals notes of cherry, blackberry, red-currant and ripe fruits associated with a touch of tea, rose pistil as well as slight notes of black berries and spices. The palate is fruity, mineral, harmonious, elegant, beautifully made, relatively gourmand and offers juiciness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of blueberry, fig and blackberry combined with a touch of cherry (in the background), spices, a few slight woody notes as well as a hint of pepper and a discreet note liquorice.
Score : 15.75

Marchesi Winery - Solimano 2013 Columbia Valley

The nose is fine, aromatic and powerful. It reveals notes of black fruit associated with touches of pepper, spice and a discreet note thyme. The palate is fruity, beautifully harmonious, well-balanced and offers a certain minerality and a good matter. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy strawberry, blackberry and a few notes of redcurrant associated with a touch of blueberry. Tannins are fine, elegant and integrated. Good length. Good job !
Score : 15.25

Marchesi Vineyards - Natal - Dolcetto 2013 Columbia Valley

The nose reveals notes of cherry and ripe fruit (good maturity) associated with a touch of scrubland, redcurrant and rose petal. The palate is fruity, dense, fat, juicy and offers a beautiful matter. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy strawberry, cherry and blackberry associated with a few slight notes of cassis (in the background). Tannins are fine and well made. Good length.
Score : 14.75

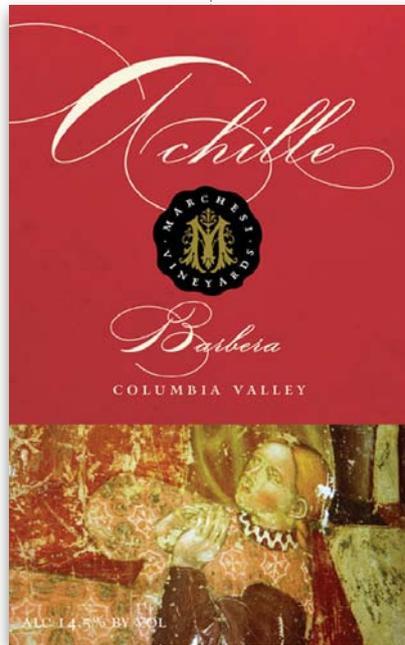
The Four Graces - Doe Ridge Estate 2012 Yamhill Carlton - Willamette Valley

The nose reveals notes of earth/rock (terroir) combined with a woody touch and flowers (iris, lilac). The palate is fruity, mineral, silky, relatively gourmand and offers a certain suavity, juiciness and precision. On the palate this wine expresses notes of red fruit (raspberry, cherry) and slight notes of plum juice (in the background) associated with a hint of blue-

berry. Tannins are fine and slightly firm. Good length.
Score : 15.5

King Estate - NxNW Syrah 2012 Columbia Valley - Washington

The nose is aromatic. It reveals notes of blueberry cream and black cherry combined with a touch of blackberry, licorice as well as slight notes of toast and vanilla. The palate is fruity, powerful, harmonious, relatively fat and offers a beautiful structure. On the palate this wine expresses notes of black berries, sour cherry and cherry associated with a touch of plum (in the background) as well as hints of mocha, toasted oak and spices. Tannins are fine and well made. Good length.
Score : 14.75



Dundee Hills

Domaine Drouhin - Laurène Pinot Noir 2011 Dundee Hills

The nose reveals notes of mocha, cherry and slight notes of liqueur associated with a few notes of cherries, rhubarb and fine notes of flowers (iris, rose) and black tea. The palate is fruity, elegant, balanced and offers a silky matter. In the mouth this wine expresses a few notes of red fruit (especially raspberries) and blueberry combined with touches of blackberry, a few slight notes of cherry (in the background) as well as touches of fig, Zan, spicy and oak. Tannins are fine and slightly dry. Good length.
Score : 15.5

Domaine Drouhin - Pinot Noir 2013 Dundee Hills - Oregon

The nose reveals notes of cherry and black fruit combined with notes of flowers and slight notes of spices (in the background), fine toasted notes and a touch of thyme. The palate is fruity, fine, juicy, "charming", balanced and elegant. In the mouth this wine expresses notes of cassis juice and cherry associated with touches of strawberry (in the background) as well as a few notes of mocha, spice, slight notes of black pepper and woody notes. Tannins are fine, well done and slightly firm.
Score : 15.25

Domaine Drouhin - Arthur 2013 Chardonnay Dundee Hills

The nose is quite gourmand. It reveals notes of almond, pear, yellow fruits and zest associated with a touch of mirabelle plum. The palate is fruity, nicely elegant, silky, well structured and offers a small minerality. In the mouth this wine expresses notes of lemon, clementine and zest associated notes of minerality, apple as well as fine touches of pineapple. Good length. A well conducted wine.
Score : 16

Domaine Drouhin Pinot Noir 2012 Dundee Hills

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The nose is harmonious and reveals a "velvety" side. It reveals notes of fruit, cherry, raspberry and slight notes of peony and lilac associated with slight notes of wood and spices. The palate is fresh, round, balanced, well-conducted, harmonious, relatively intense, fat, ample, supple and offers a nice matter. An acid / red fruits frame leads the tasting. In the mouth it expresses notes of red fruit (cherry, raspberry, slight notes of gooseberry) and plum associated with a few discreet woody notes. There is a strawberry sweets (candy) on the palate. Good length. This wine is harmonious, fruity and "gourmand"!

Score : 15.75

Domaine Drouhin - Cuvée Arthur 2012 Chardonnay Dundee Hills

The nose is fresh, fruity and quite "pure." It reveals notes of flowers and pear. The palate is nicely balanced, fresh, fruity, silky, racy, complex, mineral, dense and fleshy. In the mouth it expresses notes of plum and pineapple associated with slight notes of lychee, citrus (orange, lemon, grapefruit) and a little note of flowers and vanilla. There is also a slight toasted note. Good length and persistence on the palate. A beautiful wine!

Score : 16.25

The Eyrie Vineyards - Chasse- las Doré 2014 Dundee Hills - Oregon

The nose reveals notes of melon and mirabelle plum associated with fine notes of citrus, slight mineral notes and a slight touch of apricot (in the background). On the palate this wine expresses notes of lemon, citrus, grape, quenette and lime zest combined with a touch of mirabelle plum and a few slight notes of nectarine (in the background). Good length

Score : 14.75

The Eyrie Vineyards Pinot Blanc 2013 Dundee Hills

The nose reveals notes of mirabelle plum, apple and slight notes of yellow dried fruit associated with slight notes of dried citrus as well as a hint of muesli and candied fruit. The palate is fruity, mineral, well-balanced, relatively fat and offers an acidity frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of citrus (lemon, quince, a touch of mandarin), a few notes of white peach, zest (in the background) as well as slight notes of papaya, apple and a touch of grape. Good length.

Score : 15

The Eyrie Vineyards - Pinot Gris 2013 Dundee Hills

The nose reveals peach skin and citrus notes (in the background) combined with a touch of pear and quince. The palate is fruity, mineral, balanced, relatively tight and offers a slight acidity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of white nectarine and apple associated with a touch of pear, a slight note of quince, pineapple and a discreet hint of lemongrass. Good length.

Score : 15.25

Durant Vineyards Chardonnay 2013 - Raven Dundee Hills

The nose reveals notes of nectarine, pineapple and papaya combined

with touches of citrus zest, flowers, a touch of spices as well as a hint of citrus flowers and a few slight woody notes (in the background). The palate is fruity, mineral, unctuous and offers a good fruit expression. On the palate this wine expresses notes of exotic fruits and apple combined with a touch of pineapple, quince as well as a hint of pear and coconut. Good length. Good job !

Score : 15

Durant Vineyards Pinot Gris 2014 - Southview Dundee Hills

The nose is fruity. It reveals notes of white fruits, apple and orange zest associated with fine notes of linden-tree, cypress and a touch of spice. The palate is fruity, unctuous, balanced, deep and offers a good fruit expression, precision and elegance. On the palate this wine expresses notes of citrus notes (tangerine, slight hint of quince), pineapple, apple as well as a few slight notes of brugnion (in the background) and coconut. Good length.

Score : 15.25

Durant Vineyards - At Red Ridge Pinot Noir 2013 - Lark Dundee Hills

The nose is harmonious and offers a velvety sensation and a certain elegance. It reveals notes of cherry and cassis associated with a few slight notes of blueberry (in the background). The palate is fruity, elegant, mineral, harmonious, beautifully precise, relatively fat and offers juiciness, harmony and a slight sensation of sucrosity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of cherry juice and notes of blueberry associated with a touch of black cherry, a hint of plum as well as discreet notes of strawberry and licorice on the finish / aftertaste. Tannins are fine. Good length.

Score : 16

Durant Vineyards - At Red Ridge Pinot Noir 2012 - Bishop Dundee Hills

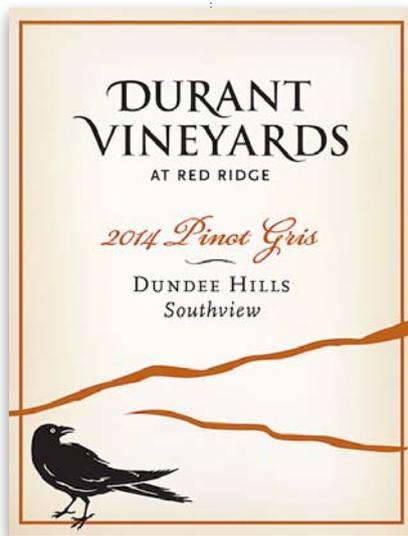
The nose is elegant. It reveals notes of cherry, blueberry and flowers (violet, iris) associated with touches of spice, wood, slight earthy notes as well as fines notes of mocha. The palate is fruity, mineral, elegant, gourmand, juicy, fine and relatively fat. On the palate this wine expresses notes of black cherry and blackberry associated with a touch of blueberry, dried fig as well as a touch of mocha and slight toasted oaky notes. Tannins are fine and elegant. Good length.

Score : 16.25

Durant Vineyards - At Red Ridge Pinot Noir 2012 - La Paloma Dundee Hills

The nose reveals notes of plum, black cherry and slight notes of cherry associated with a spicy touch and fine notes of flowers (iris ...). The palate is fruity, mineral, elegant, silky, ample, gourmand and offers a beautiful matter. On the palate this wine expresses notes of cherry, black cherry and juicy plum associated with slight notes of chocolate / mocha and oak. Tannins are well built. Good job !

Score : 16



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Rogue Valley

Del Rio Vineyards Merlot Rosé 2014 Estate Grown Rogue Valley

The nose is gourmand. It reveals notes of redcurrant, fine notes of cherry and a few slight notes of English candy. The palate is fruity, gourmand, crunchy and balanced. The mouth is slightly «perlant». On the palate this wine expresses notes of cherry acidulous candy, redcurrant and a few slight notes of strawberry (in the background) and a slight hint of candied pear. Good length.

Score : 14.25

Del Rio Vineyards Chardonnay 2013 - Estate Grown Rogue Valley

The nose reveals notes of lime associated with a few slight notes of melon, a few slight notes of citrus (in the background) as well as discreet vegetal touches. The palate is fruity, mineral, balanced, relatively fat and offers a certain intensity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of apple and lychee associated with slight notes of citrus, discreet touches of nectarine as well as fine touches of vanilla on the finish / persistence.

Good length.

Score : 15

Del Rio Vineyards Pinot Gris 2013 Estate Grown Rogue Valley

The nose is fruity and aromatic. It reveals notes of nectarine and exotic fruits combined with touches of pineapple and citrus. The palate is fruity, mineral, relatively fat, relatively ample and gourmand. On the palate this wine expresses notes of pineapple combined with slight notes of clementine, apple, quenette as well as a slight touches of coconut (in the background). Good length.

Score : 14.5

Del Rio Vineyards Pinot Gris 2011 - Estate Grown Rogue Valley

The nose reveals notes of quince, citrus and slight notes of dried peach associated with fine notes of pear and muesli. The palate is fruity, mineral, balanced, relatively fat, relatively ample and offers beautiful matter, minerality and a beautiful acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of quince, peach and slight notes of lemon zests associated with discreet notes of mandarin and pineapple. Good length and persistence.

Score : 15.25

Del Rio Vineyards Pinot Noir 2013 - Estate Grown Rogue Valley

The nose reveals notes of candied cherry and slight notes of candy associated with slight touches of blackberry liqueur, discreet notes of redcurrant as well as fine hints of spices, a hint of Sichuan pepper and vanilla. The palate is fruity, mineral, balanced, well structured, ample and offers roundness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of raspberry,

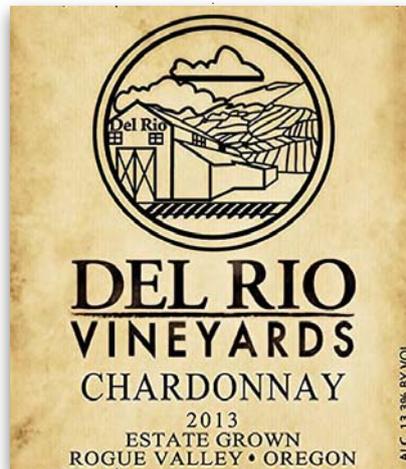
blackberry and slight notes of redcurrant associated with a slight hint of sweet spices (in the background) as well as fine oaky touches. Tannins are fine. Good length.

Score : 14.75

Del Rio Vineyards - Estate Reserve Cabernet Franc 2012 - Estate Grown Rogue Valley

The nose is relatively powerful. It reveals notes of black fruits, black cherries in kirsch and slight notes of flowers (violet ...) associated with slight notes fig, blackberry as well as a few slight notes of black cherry cream (in the background), earth, leather and a hint of liquorice. The palate is fruity, mineral, suave, dense, fine and offers a slightly silky matter. On the palate this wine expresses notes of cherry and slight notes of blueberry associated with slight notes of spices. Good length and persistence.

Score : 14.75



Del Rio Vineyards Cabernet Sauvignon 2013 - Estate Grown Rogue Valley

The nose is relatively powerful. It reveals notes of cherry and slight notes of cassis associated with fine notes of strawberry, red bell pepper, rose as well as a small woody notes, a fine note of cigar box, nutmeg and fine notes pepper. The palate is balanced, fruity and offers a certain creaminess. On the palate this wine expresses notes of raspberry, cherry and blackberry associated with slight notes of chocolate, a touch of cassis as well as a fine spicy notes and discreet woody touches. Good length.

Score : 14.75

Other Oregon wines

Plaisance Ranch - Syrah Vintage 2012 Papa Joe's Private Statsh Southern Oregon Applegate Valley

The nose is fruity, aromatic, racy and quite powerful. It reveals notes of strawberry, cassis, blackberry and cherry associated with a small note of peppery herbs. The palate is fruity, mineral, balanced and offers a slight salinity. In the mouth this wine expresses notes of blackberry, cherry and raspberry combined with a few notes of black pepper, gray pepper and oak. Tannins are fine and firm.

Score : 14.5

Marchesi Winery - Valentino 2014 Primitivo Washington

The nose is fine. It reveals notes of spice, ripe fruit and cherry combined with a touch of blueberry and a touch of Sichuan pepper. The palate is fruity, mineral, silky, relatively gourmand and offers a beautiful density, a good expression and juiciness. On the palate this wine expresses beautiful notes of blueberry, fig and plum combined with a touch of liquorice. Tannins are fine and integrated. Good length.

Score : 15.25

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Edge Field - Early Muscat 2009 Sweet Dessert Wine

Oregon

The nose is fruity and aromatic. It reveals notes of peach and candied fruit combined with a touch of muesli, almond, honey and flowers. The palate is fruity, fat and offers a good matter and a small freshness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of honey and apricot Tarte Tatin associated with a touch of peach, fine notes of lavender, slight notes of dried fruit and a touch of dried orange. Good length.

Score : 14.75

Iris Vineyards - Pinot Gris 2013

Oregon

The nose is relatively powerful. It reveals notes of exotic fruits and flowers associated with a few touches of minerality and a discreet note of white peach. The palate is fruity, mineral, fat, gourmande, suave, quite precise and offers an acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe pineapple, juicy fruits and slight notes of lemon associated with touches of clementine as well as beautiful notes of nectarine. Good length and persistence.

Score : 15

Iris Vineyards - Pinot Noir 2013

Oregon

The nose reveals notes of cherry and raspberry jam combined with a few notes of violets, fine notes of blueberry and a few fine notes of spice, pepper and a touch of licorice. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a certain minerality. On the palate this wine expresses notes of cherry and slight notes of blackberry associated with a touch of raspberry, a hint of plum (in the background) and a discreet saline note on the finish. Tannins are fine. Good length.

Score : 14.5

Iris Vineyards - Red One 2012

Oregon

The nose is powerful. It reveals notes of blackberry, plum and slight notes of strawberry, earth, cherry associated with slight hint of cassia and a hint of pepper (gray and Sichuan). The palate is fruity, mineral, relatively silky and offers juiciness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of blackberry, black cherry, raspberry and crushed Quetsche plum associated with slight spicy notes. Tannins are fine and silky. Good length.

Score : 14.75

Iris Vineyards - Reserve Pinot Noir 2012

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The nose reveals notes of black fruits, cherry, raspberry and spice combined with fine notes of truffle, leather, slight notes of mushroom as well as a few slight notes of cocoa (in the background), a fine woody touch and a discreet touch of vanilla. The palate is fruity, mineral, elegant, relatively juicy, precise, round, relatively fat and balanced. On the palate this wine expresses notes of plum flesh and black cherry combined with a touch of cassia, cherry, mocha, oak and a slight note of Sichuan pepper. Tannins are fine. Good length.

Score : 15.25

Iris Vineyards - Syrah 2012

Oregon

The nose is powerful. It reveals notes of blackberry and cherry combined with a touch of raspberry (in the background) as well as fine woody notes and spices (vanilla, gray pepper ...). The palate is fruity, suave and offers a certain creaminess, a fine minerality, a small sucrosity and a beautiful matter. On the palate this wine expresses notes of plum and black cherry combined with a touch of blackberry, fig and slight notes of chocolate. Tannins are fine and slightly dry.

Score : 14.25

Iris Vineyards After dinner Chardonnay 2013

Oregon

The nose reveals notes of candied white fruit, peach in syrup and crystallized lemon combined with a hint of quince, honey, minerality and spices (discreet). The palate is fruity, mineral, well-balanced, relatively fat and offers a certain juiciness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of apricot, candied citrus fruits (quince, clementine) combined with a touch of honey as well as fine notes of hazelnuts (in the background) and slight notes of candied pineapple on the finish / persistence. Good length.

Score : 15

King Estate Pinot Gris 2014

Oregon

The nose is aromatic and fruity. It reveals notes of ripe citrus combined with a touch of quince, slight notes of lemon zest and a hint of quinine (in the background). The palate is fruity, aromatic, clean, a bit fat and offers juiciness and balance. On the palate this wine expresses notes of mandarin, orange and lemon combined with a touch of blood orange, as well as slight notes of nectarine, a hint of apricot and a fine note of zest on the finish. Good length. Good job !

Score : 15.25

King Estate Domaine - Pinot Gris 2014

Oregon

The nose is harmonious, relatively powerful and offers a certain elegance. It reveals notes of citrus associated with a few slight notes of apple as well as discreet touches of zest. The palate is balanced, relatively fat, balanced and offers a beautiful acid frame and a certain elegance. On the palate this wine expresses notes of citrus (lemon, clementine), white nectarine and a slight hint of pineapple. Good length.

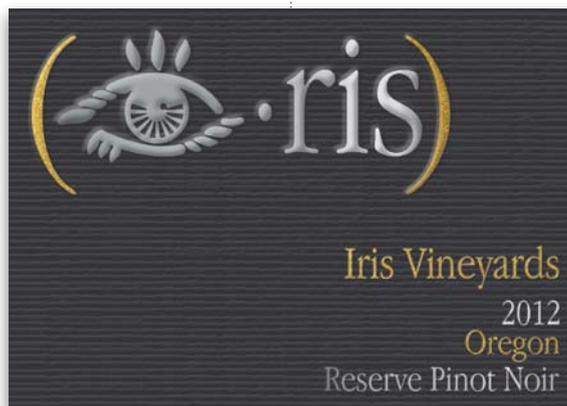
Score : 15.75

King Estate - Viognier 2012

Oregon

The nose reveals notes of dried yellow fruit, mirabelle plum and physalis associated with slight notes of yellow plum as well as discreet touches of citrus (in the background). The palate is fruity, mineral, fluid, clean and offers elegance and a good fruity frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of mirabelle plum, roasted pineapple and yellow plum associated with slight touches of honey and small yellow fruits. Good length.

Score : 14.75



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King Estate - Chardonnay 2013

Oregon

The nose reveals notes of ripe fruit (good maturity), yellow fruit and slight notes of green apple skin associated with slight woody touches (in the background). The palate is fruity, mineral, frank, clean and balanced. It expresses notes of quince and citrus combined with a touch of fat, white fruit, a few slight notes of pineapple (in the background) as well as a slight note of vanilla (in background) and woody touches. Good length and persistence with notes of fresh fruit.

Score : 15.25

King Estate - 2013 Pinot Noir

Oregon

The nose is clear, aromatic and offers a beautiful expression. It reveals notes of black cherry and plum associated with fine notes of blackberry and truffle / mushroom in the background. The palate is fruity, mineral, tight and offers a small acid frame as well as a beautiful, silky, dense and slightly velvety matter. On the palate this wine expresses notes of cherry and blackberry combined with a touch of black cherry, plum as well as a hint of violet and Zan on the finish. Tannins are fine and well-made. Good length.

Score : 15

King Estate - Pinot Noir 2006

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The nose is elegant and fruity. It reveals notes of red cherries and dried cherry associated with a hint of plum, blackberry as well as slight touches of leather (in the background) and a touch of spices (cardamom, pepper, a fine hint of Zan). The palate is fruity, mineral, frank and offers a beautiful fat and tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of blackberry and black cherry associated with a few slight notes of blueberry (in the background), dried black fruit (blackberry, plum, a hint of blueberry, a hint of black cherry) as well as slight woody / toasted notes in the background. Good length. Juiciness in the mouth.

Score : 15

King Estate - Acrobat Rosé of Pinot Noir 2014

Oregon

The nose is fresh and gourmand. It reveals notes of cherry candy and raspberry. The palate is fresh, suave and fruity. It reveals notes of acidulous candy, raspberry, cherry and slight notes of strawberry associated with a few slight notes of redcurrant as well as slight notes of licorice (in the background). Good length.

Score : 14.75

Pfeiffer - Pinot Noir 2010 - Blue Dot Reserve

Oregon

The nose is gourmand and quite elegant. It reveals notes of violet and ripe fruit associated with a few slight notes of plum (in the background), blackberry as well as slight notes of iris and chocolate. The palate is fruity, fine, elegant, mineral, racy, complex, beautifully balanced, relatively fat and offers a beautiful structure, roundness and a certain juiciness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of blackberry, cherry and black cherry associated with a few slight notes of strawberry (in the background), chocolate, slight hints of spices (cardamom, vanilla ...) and a few discreet woody touches. Tannins are fine, elegant and supple. Good length and persistence. The finish is a bit powerful.

Score : 16.5

Washington wines

Marchesi Vineyards - Esta 2013 Dry Red Wine

Washington

The nose is aromatic and powerful. It reveals notes of flowers, rose and candy associated with a touch of blackberry and violet. The palate is fruity, charming, gourmand and well-balanced. On the palate this wine expresses notes of blackberry candy and black cherry associated with touches of blueberry, licorice as well as a fine note of Sichuan pepper and Ceylon tea. Good job !

Score : 14.75

King Estate - NxNW Cabernet Sauvignon 2012

Washington

The nose is beautifully made, harmonious and relatively powerful. It reveals notes of black fruit and blackberry associated with notes of dark chocolate truffle as well as fine woody touches. The palate is fruity, fluid, mineral and relatively fat. On the palate this wine expresses notes of blackberry, cassis and black berries associated with a few slight notes of cherry (in the background), a hint of raspberry, chocolat as well as slight notes of toasted oak. Tannins are fine, integrated and supple. Good length.

Score : 15

King Estate - NxNW Cabernet Sauvignon 2011

Walla Walla Valley - Washington

The nose is fruity and powerful. It reveals notes of ripe fruit combined with a few notes of pepper as well as toasted touches, a woody hint and a fine note of vanilla. The palate is fruity, mineral, fluid, well-structured and well-balanced. On the palate this wine expresses notes of blackberry, cherry and black berries combined with a few slight notes of red fruits (in the background), cassis as well as a few notes of spices (in the background), a hint of Sichuan pepper and fine notes of toast / liquorice. Tannins are fine.

Score : 15

Edge Field - Syrah 2012 Chukar Ridge Vineyard Columbia Valley (Washington)

The nose reveals notes of toast and slight notes of truffle associated with a few slight notes of mocha (in the background) and a woody hint. The palate is fruity, mineral, ample, full, powerful, well-balanced, suave, fat and well-built. On the palate this wine expresses a few notes of juicy plum, fig, blackberry and red fruit combined with hints of mocha and toasted hints. Good length.

Score : 15

Marchesi Winery - Emma - Sangiovese 2013 Columbia Valley - Washington

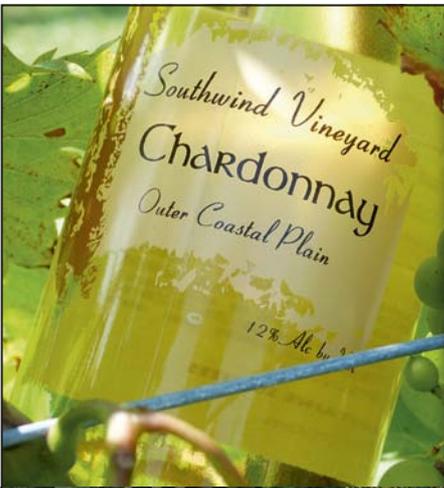
The nose reveals notes of violet, cornflower and blackberry associated with a touch of sour cherry as well as a few slight notes of pepper (in the background). The palate is fruity, elegant, mineral, dense, suave and offers a good expression. On the palate this wine expresses notes of cherry, raspberry and black cherry combined with a touch of plum as well as a touch of pepper. Tannins are racy.

Score : 14.75

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Northstar – Merlot 2012

Columbia Valley (Washington)

The nose is aromatic, fresh and relatively fine. It reveals notes of blackberry and slightly notes of cassis associated with a discreet hint of sour cherry as well as fine woody notes and discreet sweet spices (Ceylon tea, Tobacco). The palate is fruity, well-balanced, well-conducted and offers a small mineral frame. In mouth this wine expresses notes of fresh blackberry, boysenberry, black cherry and slight notes of cassis associated with touches of ripe strawberry as well as touches of plum juice, fine woody notes and sweet spices. Tannins are well made. Good length and persistence (freshness, toasted notes and a fine touch of dark chocolate).

Score : 15

Columbia Crest Cabernet Sauvignon Reserve 2012

Columbia Valley (Washington)

The nose is fruity, aromatic, full, quite elegant and a bit powerful. It reveals notes of blackberry, cassis and slight notes of black fruits cream associated with small notes of chocolate and a few slight woody notes. The palate is fruity, gourmand, mineral, well structured, silky, relatively fat, a bit aerial and offers freshness and a good definition. On the palate this wine expresses notes of blackberry, plum and slight notes of cassis associated with touches of black cherry, raspberry and touches of chocolate, woody touches and a discreet hint of roasted coffee. Tannins are fine. Good length.

Score : 15.5

Château Ste Michelle & Dr. Loosen

Eroica - Riesling 2014

Columbia Valley (Washington)

The nose is fruity and a bit discreet. It reveals notes of exotic fruit associated with a hint of apple compote, ripe nectarine as well as a touch of passion fruit, minerality and a hint of flowers. The palate is fruity, racy mineral, relatively deep, a bit gourmande and offers small minerality and precision. On the palate this wine expresses notes of peach in syrup, pear compote and slight notes of passion fruit combined with a few slight notes of mango (in the background), quenette and lemon / clementine. Good length.

Score : 14.5

Dancing Crow Vineyards Cabernet Sauvignon 2014

Lake County Red Hills (California)

The nose is aromatic and relatively incisive. It reveals notes of boysenberry, cassis and a touch of blackcurrant bud associated with slight floral notes, a hint of red fruits as well as discreet notes of chocolate. The palate is fruity, gourmand, elegant, suave, a bit aerial and offers a beautiful definition / expression, freshness as well as a silky and slightly creamy matter. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe juicy blackcurrant jam and slight notes of juicy Quetsche plums associated with discreet points of ripe red fruits as well as touches of sweet spices (coconut, mocha, Ceylon tea) and a woody hint. Good length. Tannins are well made. Good length and persistence with notes of toast, blackberry / juicy plum, woody notes / coffee as well as a touch of dried fruit / caramel.

Score : 15

Admirable - Vigneronne 2013

Santa Barbara County (California)

(56% Syrah, 43% Merlot, 1% other)

The nose is fruity, relatively gourmand and elegant. It reveals notes of jam blackberry, cassis and slight notes of chocolate associated with slight woody notes, violets and a hint of black pepper. The palate is fruity, gourmand, elegant, round, well-balanced and offers a beautiful volume, suavity, a fine minerality and a fresh frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of blackberry, cassis cream and slight notes of violet, ripe strawberry, blueberry associated with touches of graphite, chocolate as well as slight notes of sweet spices (cardamom, vanilla ...) and wood. Tannins are fine and well-built. Good length. A beautiful wine!

Score : 16

Dancing Crow Vineyards Sauvignon Blanc 2014

Lake County (California)

The nose is aromatic and relatively fine. It reveals notes of white fruit associated with a fine hint of citrus, vine peach and a hint of quenette. The palate is fruity, balanced, well built and offers suavity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe white fruit (nectarine, a touch of williams pear) associated with fine touches of citrus, quenette and a discreet hint of orange. Good length.

Score : 15

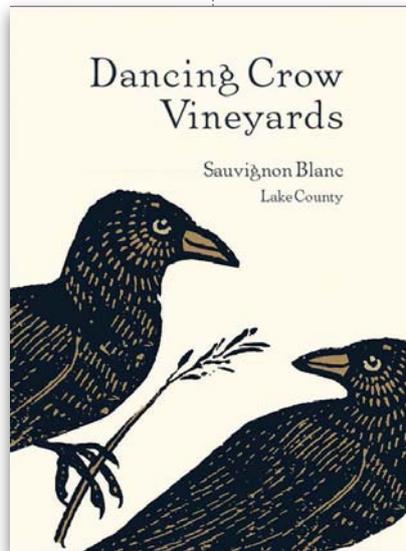
Admirable Blanc & Blanc 2014

Santa Barbara (California)

The nose is elegant, fine, aromatic and offers a small concentration. It reveals notes of exotic fruits (passion fruit, quenette, a hint of pineapple), granny apple and slight notes of citrus associated with a discreet hint of citrus. The palate is fruity, suave, relatively elegant, relatively fat and offers harmony, tension, a small freshness,

tension, a discreet acid frame (in the background) as well as a beautiful silky matter and a small creaminess. On the palate this wine expresses notes of quenette, passion fruit and slight notes of apple, mango associated with discreet touches of citrus as well as fine vegetal touches. Good length and aromatic persistence.

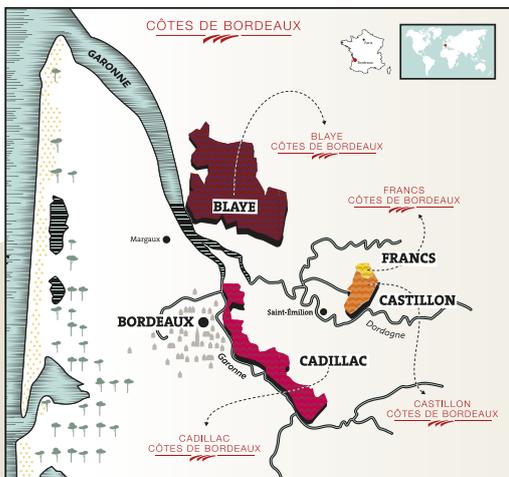
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Château Mauvesin Barton 2014 Moulis en Médoc

The nose is fruity and offers a small concentration. It reveals notes of blackberry, cassis and rose combined with fine notes of red fruits, violets as well as slight notes of toast and spice. The palate is fruity, juicy, elegant, straight, mineral and offers a certain tension, a small concentration, a small acid frame and a touch of saline minerality. On the palate this wine expresses notes of strawberry, juicy / fresh cassis and slight notes of raspberry associated with a hint of blackberry, slight / discreet toasted notes (in the background). Tannins are fine and well made. Good length.

Score : 15.5

Château Langoa-Barton 2014 3ème Grand Cru Classé de Saint-Julien

The nose is fruity, fine, elegant and relatively concentrated. It reveals notes of blackberry and cherry associated with a hint of blackberry cream as well as touches of spices and a discreet touch of tobacco. The palate is fruity, gourmand, elegant, fine, racy, quite fleshy and offers a beautiful silky matter. On the palate this wine expresses notes of cherry, cassis and fine touches of purple fig associated with a hint of redcurrant, cherry as well as slight notes of toast and vanilla. Tannins are fine. Good length. The finish is fleshy.

Score : 16.75

Château Léoville Barton 2014 2ème Grand Cru Classé de Saint-Julien

The nose is elegant, fine and offers a small concentration. It reveals notes of blackberry, cassis and a touch of red fruit combined with a hint of violet, Zan, toast and a fine / discreet touch of chocolate. The palate is fruity, gourmand, elegant, suave, racy, silky and offers a beautiful fat and minerality. On the palate this wine expresses fine notes of blackberry, cassis and slight notes of red fruits in the background (strawberry, berries) associated with woody / toasted notes. Tannins are fine, elegant and slightly dry. Good length and persistence.

Score : 17.25

Connétable de Talbot 2014 Saint-Julien

Le nez est aromatique et assez élégant. The nose is aromatic and quite elegant. It reveals notes of flowers (violet ...) and blackberry associated with a hint of cassis as well as a point of mocha and fine woody notes. The palate is fruity, precise, balanced and offers concentration, fat and an acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of red fruit candy (cherry, raspberry) and slightly notes of blackberry associated with touches of redcurrant and slight notes of Zan (in the background) and delicate spicy notes. Good length.

Score : 15

Château Talbot 2014 4ème Cru Classé de Saint-Julien

The nose is fruity, elegant, fine and elegant. It reveals notes of red fruit combined with touches of cassis keys, fine notes of plum as well as hints of spices. The palate is fruity, gourmand, mineral, elegant and

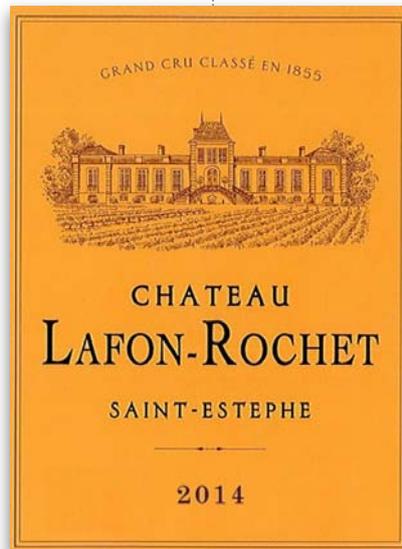
offers suavity, a beautiful matter and an acid / fruity frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of blackberry and cassis combined with fine touches of strawberry, plum, cassis acidulous candy as well as hints of minerality, slight notes of Zan, a hint of black tea and spices. Tannins are fine. Good length.

Score : 16.5

Château Ormes de Pez 2014 Saint-Estèphe

The nose is fruity, elegant, fine and relatively concentrated. It reveals notes of blackberry and cassis associated with a touch of flowers (iris, violet) and a hint of red bell pepper. The palate is fruity, gourmand, fine, relatively elegant and offers freshness and suavity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of blackberry, cassis and slight notes of blueberry associated with fine touches of red fruit and fine toasted notes. Tannins are well made.

Score : 15.5



Château Lafon Rochet 2014 4ème Grand Cru Classé à Saint-Estèphe

The nose is fruity, aromatic, elegant and racy. It reveals notes of cassis and fine notes of blackberry associated with slight touches of violet (discreet), black cherries as well as a few fine notes of graphite, spices and a hint of Sichuan pepper. The palate is fruity, gourmand, fleshy, silky, suave, quite smooth and offers a beautiful density, a racy minerality, harmony, a good structure and fat. On the palate this wine expresses notes of cassis, blackberry, minerality and a touch of plum associated with fine / discreet notes of wild red berries, black cherries, a slight touch of salinity as well as fine toasted oaky notes and a discreet hint of tobacco. Tannins are fine, well made, elegant and slightly firm. Good length.

Score : 16.75

Château de Côme 2014 Saint-Estèphe

The nose is fruity, relatively powerful and relatively elegant. It reveals notes of blackberry, cassis and violet associated with small notes of blackberry cream, a hint of flowers as well as touches of spices and minerality. The palate is fruity, racy, balanced, relatively gourmand and offers fat and minerality. On the palate this wine expresses notes of red fruit (cherry, raspberry) associated with small notes of blackberry, a touch of cassis as well as fine notes of racy minerality, spice and oak. Tannins are fine and well made. Good length.

Score : 14.75

Château Clauzet 2014 Saint-Estèphe

The nose is aromatic and quite elegant. It reveals notes of blackberry, fresh cassis and slight notes of juicy berries associated with woody touches as well as slight notes of mocha. The palate is fruity, racy, balanced, relatively gourmand and offers minerality and a certain elegance. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy blackberry, cassis and slight notes of plum associated with touches of fresh red fruits, spices as well as a touch of mocha, oak and slight touches of Ceylon tea. Tannins are well made. Good length.

Score : 15.25

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Echo de Lynch Bages 2014 Pauillac

The nose is relatively concentrated and fine. It reveals notes of coffee and blackberry associated with touches of cassis bud as well as fine woody notes. The palate is fruity, gourmand, mineral, relatively gourmand and offers an acid frame, and suavity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of blackberry and plum associated with fine touches of cassis, woody touches as well as discreet hints of mocha and slight toasted notes. Tannins are fine and well made. Good length.

Score : 15.5

Réserve de la Comtesse 2014 Pauillac

The nose is aromatic, fresh and fine. It reveals notes of cocoa, slight grilled notes associated with slight notes of blackberry, violet as well as a hint of fig and slight touches of oak/spices. The palate is fruity, gourmand, fine, elegant, mineral, a bit fleshy and offers freshness (small fresh frame), tension, suavity and a beautiful density. Beautiful definition, expression and precision. On the palate this wine expresses notes of blackberry and cassis combined with a hint of cherry, blueberry as well as a hint of chocolate, toasted / roasted woody notes and fine notes of mocha. Tannins are well done. Good length and fruity persistence.

Score : 16.5

Château Lynch Bages 2014 5ème Grand Cru Classé à Pauillac

The nose is fruity, fine and elegant. It reveals notes of blackberry, cassis and toast associated with a touch of cherry as well as fine hints of violet, sweet spices and wood. The palate is fruity, mineral, fresh, gourmand, relatively straight and offers a silky matter and finesse. On the palate this wine expresses notes of blackberry, blueberry and Quetsche plum associated with slight notes of mocha, oak and sweet spices. Tannins are elegant, fine and well made. Good length.

Score : 17.25

Château Pichon Longueville Comtesse de Lalande 2014 2ème Grand Cru Classé de Pauillac

The nose is fruity, rich, fresh and elegant. It reveals notes of blackberry and cassis combined with a hint of blueberry, a touch of mocha as well as slight notes of coffee and toast. The palate is fruity, gourmand, suave, elegant, fine, racy and offers a beautiful density, a beautiful matter, fat, a beautiful definition, suavity and a small acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of blackberry, cassis, black cherry and slight notes of red berries associated with fine notes of Zan, chocolate, oak as well as fine toasted notes. Tannins are fine and elegant.

Score : 17.75

Petit Figeac 2014 Saint-Émilion Grand Cru

The nose is fruity, gourmand, intense and quite elegant. It reveals notes

of blackberry associated with touches of violet, fig, blueberry as well as discreet notes of mocha and Zan (in the background). The palate is fruity, quite harmonious, quite gourmande and offers a mineral / acid frame, tension, fat and a silky matter. On the palate this wine expresses notes of blackberry, plum and slight notes of cherries (in the background) combined with a touch of fig as well as a touch of liquorice stick, graphite and fine notes of toasted oak / sweet spices. Tannins are fine and slightly firm. Good length.

Score : 16

Clos Marsalette 2014 Pessac-Léognan

The nose is elegant, aromatic and relatively powerful. It reveals notes of blackberry and undergrowth combined with a touch of cassis, slight notes of flowers, woody touches and a discreet hint of tobacco. The palate is fruity, gourmand, well-balanced, round and offers a small mineral

frame, suavity as well as a pretty silky and relatively unctuous matter. On the palate this wine expresses notes of raspberry jam and cherry combined with a touch of blackberry, fines notes of strawberry, racy minerality and slight notes of sweet spices / caramel on the finish. Tannins are fine. Good length

Score : 15.5

Grand Vin de Reignac 2014 Bordeaux Supérieur

The nose is fruity, relatively powerful, gourmand and offers a certain concentration. It reveals notes of sour cherry, cassis jam and slight notes of blackberry associated with a hint of raspberry jam, flowers as well as a touch of Sichuan pepper and a discreet hint of Ceylon tea. The palate

is fruity, gourmand, mineral, suave and offers a beautiful freshness, a beautiful tension as well as a beautiful silky and slightly creamy matter. On the palate this wine expresses notes of cherry, plum and flint associated with fine touches of strawberry, very fine notes of toasted oak as well as slight touches of Bourbon vanilla. Tannins are fine, elegant, well made and a bit firm.

Score : 16.75

Château d'Aiguilhe 2014 Castillon Côtes-de-Bordeaux

The nose is fruity and slightly velvety. It reveals notes of blackberry associated with fine notes of cassis as well as a touch of graphite, violet and a discreet woody note. The palate is fruity, gourmand, precise, well-balanced and offers suavity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of raspberry / redcurrant and blackberry associated with touches of cassis as well as fine woody notes, slight toasted notes, a hint of spice and a hint of Sichuan pepper. Tannins are fine and well made. Good length.

Score : 16

Clos de l'Oratoire 2014 Saint-Émilion Grand Cru Classé

The nose is fruity, generous and greedy enough. It contains notes of blackberry, blackcurrant and slightly iris associated with a touch of men-



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thol / plant and a delicate touch of oak and toasted. The palate is fruity, tasty, elegant, mineral right and provides a certain tension, a nice silky, juiciness, some depth, roundness and a little acidity. On the palate this wine expresses blackberry and plum notes associated with a cherry key to fine strawberry notes as well as fine notes of toast and a hint of liquorice. The tannins are fine and elegant. Good length

Score : 16.75

Château Canon-La-Gaffelière 2014 1er Grand Cru Classé de Saint-Emilion

The nose is fruity, elegant and quite powerful. It reveals notes of blackberry and cherry combined with a touch of plum, violet and slight notes of liquorice, blackberry cream, toasted touches and a discreet touch of caramelization. The palate is fruity, elegant, fat, suave, well-balanced and offers a beautiful matter. On the palate this wine expresses notes of black cherry, blackberry and plum associated with a touch of cassis as well as slight woody notes, delicate toasted notes, a hint of liquorice, mocha and a discreet touch vanilla. Tannins are fine and elegant. Good length and persistence (suavity and a fine acidity on the finish).

Score : 17.5

La Mondotte 2014 1er Grand Cru Classé de Saint-Emilion

The nose is elegant, concentrated, quite rich and offers a small freshness. It reveals notes of sour cherry, Quetsche plum and blackberry associated with fine notes of mint / liquorice (quite discreet). The palate is fruity, gourmand, elegant, suave, full, tight, straight, powerful and offers a beautiful silky and slightly unctuous matter. On the palate this wine expresses notes of blackberry and plum associated with a touch of black cherry, strawberry as well as fine notes of licorice, toasted oak and caramel. Tannins are fine, elegant and supple. Good length and persistence.

Score : 18

Château Figeac 2014 1er Grand Cru Classé de Saint-Emilion

The nose is fine, elegant and racy. It reveals notes of blackberry, ripe fruit and fine notes of violet associated with touches of cassis, licorice as well as fine touches of caramelization and woody touches. The palate is fruity, gourmand, mineral, round, racy, suave, elegant and offers a beautiful silky matter, a small acid / mineral frame and finesse. On the palate this wine expresses notes of blackberry, cherry and cassis combined with slight notes of plum, a discreet touch of strawberry, a touch of Zan as well as a woody hint and a discreet note of tobacco. Tannins are fine and elegant. Good length.

Score : 17

Château Léoville-Poyferré 2014 2ème Grand Cru Classé de Saint-Julien

The nose is fine, elegant, aromatic and quite powerful. It reveals notes of cassis, ripe juicy and slight notes of plum, raspberry associated with small notes of violet, coffee, roasting as well as slight notes of cocoa, a woody hint and fine touches of spice. The palate is fruity, gourmand, elegant, fine, relatively fat and offers concentration, a beautiful matter, a beautiful texture, a good density and suavity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy cassis, blackberry, cherry and slight notes of plum, mineral associated with fine woody notes as well as slight notes of spice and a hint of coffee. Tannins, elegant and supple. A beautiful wine!

Score : 17.5

Dame de Montrose 2014 Saint-Estèphe

The nose is fruity gourmand, precise and fine. It reveals notes of plum and cassis combined with a fine hint of prune, raspberry, a touch of liquorice as well as fine notes of flowers, toasted oak, a hint of caramel and a hint of cinnamon. The palate is fruity, gourmand, elegant, fine, racy, tight, a bit fleshy and offers a beautiful fat as well as a beautiful density and matter. On the palate this wine expresses notes of plum, prune and slight notes of blackberry associated with fine notes of cassis, a touch of mocha, woody touches as well as fine notes of tobacco and sweet spices. Tannins are fine and (very) slightly firm. Good length and beautiful persistence.

Score : 16.25

Château Montrose 2014 2ème Grand Cru Classé de Saint-Estèphe

The nose is fine, aromatic, elegant and racy. It reveals notes of black fruit associated with small notes of raspberry, woody touches as well as discreet woody notes and spices. The palate is fruity, gourmand, fine, mineral, racy and offers a beautiful freshness and a small tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of blackberry, plum and slight notes of ripe black fruit combined with touches of red fruit, a hint of mocha, oak as well as fine notes of truffle, a hint of cardamom and a discreet note of tobacco. Tannins are fine and elegant. Good length.

Score : 17

Clos Fourtet 2014 1er Grand Cru Classé de Saint-Emilion

The nose is fine, fruity, gourmand and elegant. It reveals notes of cassis jelly and notes of Quetsche plum associated with a hint of blueberry, slight floral notes and a touch of chocolate. The palate is fruity, round, elegant, a bit fleshy and offers suavity, fat, freshness as well as a beautiful silky matter and a good density / volume. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fresh blackberry, strawberry and slight notes of cassis associated with hints of fresh plum, a hint of cassis buds / flowers as well as fine woody notes and a discreet note of coffee. Tannins are fine. Good length and persistence.

Score : 17

Château de Reignac 2014 Bordeaux blanc

The nose is fruity, gourmand, fine, elegant and relatively powerful. It reveals notes of passion fruit, pear and slight notes of Granny Smith apple associated with a discreet toasted hint. The palate is fruity, gourmand, suave and offers a beautiful fat, a good volume, a good definition / precision, an acid frame as well as a beautiful and fresh matter. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon and tangerine combined with a discreet touch of pink grapefruit, small notes of passion fruit and a discreet touch of pineapple. Good length and persistence with notes of zest and quenette.

Score : 17

Bordeaux

Sauternes / Barsac Sweet bordeaux

Château Lafaurie-Peyraguey 2014 1er Grand Cru Classé à Sauternes

The nose is fine, fruity, elegant and offers freshness. It reveals notes of pear, candied lemon and slight notes of crystallized tangerine associated with a touch of pineapple touch, discreet notes of apricot in syrup and a discreet touch of fresh ginger. The palate is fruity, gourmand, elegant and offers a beautiful maturity, freshness, concentration and a beautiful acid frame. Beautiful definition and balance. On the palate this wine expresses notes of candied lemon and pear in syrup associated with a touch of pineapple in syrup, a hint of candied apricot as well as slight notes of honey, a discreet hint of ginger and spices (in background). Good length and persistence (particularly on notes of candied lemon).

Score : 17

Château de Fargues 2014 Sauternes

The nose is fruity, fine, elegant and aromatic. It reveals notes of fruit in syrup, mirabelle plum and yellow peach associated with slight notes of lemon as well as hints of honey, ginger and a discreet touch of botrytis. The palate is fruity, gourmand, elegant and offers minerality, a beautiful acid frame, a beautiful balance, suavity and tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of candied fruit, peach in syrup and candied citrus (lemon, clementine, a touch of quince) associated with fine touches of pineapple, a hint of candied yuzu, granny apple as well as slight notes of spices. Good length.

Score : 17

Château Rabaud-Promis 2014 1er Grand Cru Classé de Sauternes

The nose is aromatic, elegant et fruity. It reveals small notes of lemon, citrus, quince paste associated with a slight note of menthol and slight notes of flowers in the background. The mouth is beautifully fruity, well-defined, lively, balanced, suave and offers a beautiful acid frame. In the mouth this wine expresses notes of citrus (lemon, tangerine) and fruit paste combined with a touch of pineapple, Granny apple, white peach and a touch of honey. Good length.

Score : 17

Château Climens 2014 - Barsac 1er Grand Cru Classé

The nose is fruity, fine and offers freshness. It reveals notes of lemon, grapefruit zest and flint associated with fine touches of yuzu, crunchy white peach and a discreet hint of cypress. The palate is fruity, gourmand, elegant, racy (Barsac terroir!) and offers a beautiful minerality and a beautiful volume. On the palate this wine expresses notes of white fruit (apple) and fine notes of citrus (lemon, yuzu) associated with touches of crunchy flat peach, a hint of tarte tatin as well as fine touches of honey, flint and a discreet hint of verbena. Good length and persistence.

Score : 17.25

Château La Tour Blanche 2014 1er Cru Classé à Sauternes

The nose is fruity, fine, clear and relatively bright. It reveals notes of citrus zest and associated with touches of exotic fruit, Granny apple, honey and a touch of verbena. The palate is fruity, round, relatively fat, relatively rich and offers a beautiful roundness, volume, tension and an acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of candied lemon, quince and apple in syrup combined with touches of honey, crystallized tangerine as well as slight notes of dried apricots (discreet). Good length.

Score : 16.75

Château Guiraud 2014 1er Cru Classé à Sauternes

The nose is fruity, fresh, fine and relatively rich. It reveals notes of candied citrus (lemon, yuzu) and white peach associated with touches of apricot as well as fine touches of apple, flowers, honey and verbena. The mouth is fruity, gourmande, suave, relatively rich and offers a beautiful minerality and elegance. On the palate this wine expresses notes of green apple, crystallized lemon and pineapple associated with discreet hints of dried apricot, small notes of fruit in syrup, a fine touch of beewax as well as fine touches of verbena and discreet notes of flowers. Good length and persistence.

Score : 17

Château Filhot 2014 2nd Cru Classé à Sauternes

The nose is fruity, gourmand and reveals a certain concentration. It reveals notes of peach compote, touches of apple and candied citrus associated with a hint of yuzu, tangerine as well as a discreet note of exotic fruits, verbena and lemon. The palate is fruity, gourmand, mineral, fresh, well-balanced, relatively gourmand and offers tension, a beautiful precision and a beautiful matter. On the palate this wine expresses notes of citrus (blood orange, lemon, clementine) and slight notes of dried apricot, white fruits combined with a hint of fruit in syrup (pineapple, pear) as well as slight touches of yuzu and spices. Good length.

Score : 16.5

Château de Rolland 2014 Barsac

The nose is fruity, relatively gourmand and offers freshness. It reveals notes of candied William pear and candied citrus (clementines and crystallized lemon) associated with a hint of quenette and a discreet touch candied apple. The palate is fruity, gourmand, a bit gourmand and offers roundness and suavity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of candied citrus (lemon, a touch of clementine) associated with a hint of candied peach, grapefruit and a touch of apple. Good length. A good and «easy-drinking» sweet wine !

Score : 15

Château Majoureau - Cuvée Hyppos 2014 - Côtes de Bordeaux St-Macaire

(100% Semillon)

The nose is fruity, fresh, relatively elegant and slightly powerful. It reveals notes of candied lemon and pear in syrup associated with slight notes



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of apple, fresh pineapple, honey, quince as well as slight notes of spices. The palate is well-balanced, racy, relatively fat, relatively gourmand and offers a racy minerality, a small suavity, a small concentration and freshness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of candied lemon, quince and slight notes of apple, candied apricot and pineapple associated with slight touches of grape, exotic fruits as well as touches of honey and a small note of botrytis.

Score : 15

Château Coutet 2014 1er Cru Classé à Sauternes-Barsac

The nose is elegant, fine, racy, incisive and aromatic. It reveals notes of candied fruits combined with notes of candied white fruits, citrus, as well as a touch of yellow fruit, zests, honey, a hint of apricot and discreet touches of spices. The palate is fresh, beautifully elegant, complex, fruity, incisive/racy (Coutet style), fat, rich (but well balanced), precise and offers a beautiful tension as well as a beautiful matter. In the mouth this wine expresses notes of candied lemon, candied pineapple, tropical fruit (including passion fruit, quénette), notes of candied pear and slight notes of peach in syrup, a touch sweet mandarin associated with a few touches of lime, sweet pineapple, citrus as well as fine touches of honey, dried apricot and discreet spice. Good length and persistence in mouth. A beautiful wine!

Score : 18.25



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Armagnac

Vintage

Armagnac Sampé 1965

Armagnac

The nose is fruity and quite gourmand. It reveals notes of peach, orange and slight notes of rancio associated with touches of candied lime, Corinthe raisin as well as fine touches of cedar, spices, tea, pepper and fig. The palate is fruity, balanced and a bit fat. In the mouth this Armagnac expresses notes of dates, candied orange associated with slight notes of Corinthe raisin as well as very fine notes of tarte tatin and caramel. Good length.

Score :17

Armagnac Jean Cavé 1897

Armagnac

The nose is beautifully elegant and fine. It reveals slight notes of flowers, citrus, hazelnut and slight notes of dried cherry. The palate is fruity, elegant, beautifully harmonious and rich. In the mouth it expresses notes of citrus, clementine, dried fruit, candied apple (Pomme d'Amour) and slight notes of tobacco, spices and toasted notes in the background associated with fine oaky notes on the finish.

Score :18.75

Armagnac Francis Darroze - Millésime 1945

Château de Lassérade

Armagnac

The nose reveals notes of dried fruits and toasted notes associated with a slight hint of vanilla. The palate is soft, elegant, fine and expresses notes of citrus, ripe peach, cherry, rancio and slight notes of brioche, licorice stick, oak and caramel (especially on the finish). There is, despite its age, a little freshness in the mouth. Good length.

Score :18.25

Armagnac Jean Cavé 1945

Vieil Armagnac

Bas-Armagnac

The nose is beautifully fine, elegant and quite powerful. It reveals nice notes of mocha, orange and candied zests associated with slight notes of spices, nutmeg and a fine woody notes in the background. The palate is fresh, mineral, fat and offers a nice suave matter. In the mouth this Armagnac expresses notes of peach in syrup and slight notes of candied citrus combined with a few fine notes of citrus zest (orange, lemon), tarte tatin and a few light notes of candied orange, touches of rancio, a hint of caramel, nougat and a discreet note of crushed banana. Good length and persistence on the palate with a fine note of alcohol. The finish is suave.

Score :18

Armagnac Jean Cavé 1900

Bas-Armagnac

The nose is fine, relatively powerful and offers a little freshness. It reveals notes of rancio and alcohol associated with a very fine note of peach, dried fruit and candied citrus. The mouth is fine and fat. It expresses

notes of dried fruits (orange, tangerine) and slight notes of tart Tatin and rancio on the finish. Good length.

Score :16.25

Armagnac Jean Cavé 1920

Bas-Armagnac

The nose is elegant, fine, delicate and aromatic. It reveals notes of raisin, grape, rancio and slight notes of dried flowers associated with a few notes of vanilla and a few notes of fruits. The palate is fresh, mineral, harmonious, well balanced and offers a beautiful small richness and a slight grainy fat. In the mouth it expresses notes of candied orange, crystallized clementine and slight notes of lemon, apricot tarte Tatin associated with a few touches of citrus candy, caramel, toasted and rancio. Good length and persistence in the mouth.

Score :19

Dartigalongue - 1976 Sélection

Bas-Armagnac

The nose is complex and aromatic. It reveals notes of vanilla, prunes, raisin de Corinthe and slight notes of citrus in the background. The palate is fresh, ample, complex, elegant and fruity. It expresses notes of white fruits (apple, pear), slight notes of prune and candied peach associated with small caramelized notes and spices as well as well-integrated oaky notes. It also expresses a few notes of orange zest on the finish associated with notes of nuts. Good length and persistence on the palate. A beautiful Armagnac.

Score :17.25

Dartigalongue 1978 Sélection

Bas-Armagnac

The nose is complex. It reveals notes of rancio, vanilla, caramel and woody notes associated with very slight fruity (prune, pear) notes. The mouth is full, plump, round and elegant. It expresses notes of

caramelized pear, prunes with a slight notes of orange on the finish associated with spices, pepper and a touch of licorice stick.

Score :16.5

Dartigalongue - 1982 Sélection

Bas-Armagnac

The nose is very fruity and elegant. It reveals notes of baked apple, plum and slight notes of licorice. The palate is fresh, round and ample. In the mouth it expresses notes of baked apple, candied pear, prune, tobacco and cedar wood. Good length.

Score :16.25

Dartigalongue - 1989

Bas-Armagnac

The nose is fruity. It reveals notes of apricot, grape, yellow fruits, leather and caramelization. The palate is dense, smooth, elegant, balanced, fresh and round. In the mouth this Armagnac expresses notes of candied fruits, nuts and spices. There are also some finely integrated oaky notes. The finish is long and spicy.

Score :17



Armagnac

Dartigalongue - 1934

Bas-Armagnac

The nose is delicate, elegant and complex. It reveals notes of dried fruits, spices, figs and slight notes of dates and spices. The palate is elegant. In the mouth this Armagnac expresses notes of dried fruits, prunes, dates and grapes associated with some toasted notes as well as notes of nut and hazelnut. Good length and aftertaste.

Score :18.5

Armagnac Delord - 1976

Bas-Armagnac

The nose is fine and elegant. It reveals notes of prunes, liquorice, rancio and cedar wood. The palate is well built, elegant, fat and reveals a fleshy texture quite similar to the pear. It also reveals notes of candied fruits, quince, white fruits, prunes, rancio and slight notes of licorice, caramel and oak. Good persistence on the palate.

Score :17.75

Armagnac Delord - 1981

Bas-Armagnac

The nose reveals notes of flowers, rancio and a slight note of alcohol. The palate is round, elegant, harmonious, fruity and with a beautiful fleshy and fat texture. In the mouth this Armagnac reveals notes of pear, candied fruits and spices. Good length.

Score :17.25

Armagnac Delord - 1984

Bas-Armagnac

The nose is fine, elegant but a bit discreet. The palate is fleshy and fruity. It reveals notes of caramel, yellow fruits, licorice and slight notes of candied fruits (including nectarine) and vanilla. Good length.

Score :16.75

Armagnac Delord - 1988

Bas-Armagnac

The nose reveals notes of rancio, nuts, dried fruits and spices. The palate is fresh, supple, elegant, fat, expressive and reveals a fleshy texture close to the pear texture. In the mouth it expresses notes of white fruits jam, spices, licorice, rancio, oak and nuts. A beautiful and aromatic Armagnac.

Score :17.25

Unique Collection Darroze Millésime 2001 - Domaine Couzard Lassale

Bas-Armagnac

The nose reveals notes orange, zest, small citrus (orange, lemon, quince) and slight spicy notes (liquorice, vanilla). The palate is smooth, balanced and elegant. In the mouth this Armagnac expresses small notes of rancio, raisins, quince, exotic fruits and slight notes of crème brûlée, nuts and wood. A beautiful Armagnac.

Score :16.25

Unique Collection Darroze Millésime 1998 - Domaine de Salié

Bas-Armagnac

The nose is aromatic, fruity (apricot, quince), flowery and fine. There are also some notes of gingerbread and vanilla. The palate is round, ample, well-structured and offers a small freshness. In the mouth this Armagnac expresses notes of dried fruits, citrus and quince. Beautiful and elegant finish.

Score :16.5

Unique Collection Darroze Millésime 1985 - Domaine de Bertruc

Bas-Armagnac

The nose reveals notes of vanilla, leather, tobacco and light notes of chocolate. The palate is fresh, delicate, complex and elegant. In the mouth this Armagnac reveals dried fruits, licorice, chocolate, brioche and rancio. There is also a very slight salinity in the mouth.

Score :17

Unique Collection Darroze Millésime 1988 - Domaine de Salié

Bas-Armagnac

The nose reveals notes of flowers, spices and tobacco. The palate is smooth, well structured, relatively rich and harmonious. In the mouth this Armagnac expresses notes of candied fruits, small spices (liquorice, vanilla and small notes of cinnamon). Good length.

Score :16.5

Unique Collection Darroze Millésime 1970 - Château de Gaube

Bas-Armagnac

The nose reveals notes of ripe fruits, citrus fruits, crystallized orange and slight notes of candied zest, notes of wood, hazelnut and vanilla. The palate is fresh and elegant. In the mouth it expresses aromas of yellow fruits, prunes, spices and slight notes of caramel, oak and vanilla. Good length.

Score :16.75

Unique Collection Darroze Millésime 1965 - Domaine de Peyrot

Bas-Armagnac

The nose is dynamic and aromatic. It reveals notes of cooked fruits, tobacco, rancio and spices. The palate is fresh, gourmand, round, full, deep, with a beautiful elegance and dynamism. It reveals notes of cooked fruits, citrus and slight notes of nuts. Good length.

Score :17.25

Jean Cavé 2001

Bas-Armagnac

The nose is fruity, elegant, fine and gourmand. It reveals notes of candied citrus and candied peach combined with a touch of orange, rancio as well as a woody hint and cane sugar. The palate is fruity, gourmand, elegant and offers a small acid frame, fat and suavity. In the mouth this Armagnac expresses notes of peach in syrup, a touch of white fruits and a hint of candied citrus associated with fine notes of crystallized clementine as well as fine notes of pâtisserie (discreet) and fine notes of sweet spices (caramel, vanilla) in the background. Good length.

Score : 17

Château Garreau 2000 - Viel Armagnac

Bas-Armagnac

The nose is fruity, gourmand, full and relatively elegant. It reveals notes of baked pear, baked orange and slight notes of mandarin associated with notes of rancio, a touch of apricot, candied fruit (lemon ...) as well as fine touches of caramel and spices (cardamom, vanilla ...). The palate is fruity, beautifully fat, suave, well-balanced and offers elegance as well as a good fleshy / unctuous matter. In the mouth this Armagnac expresses notes of candied pear, candied fruit (orange, lemon) associated with touches of quenette (discreet) as well as small notes of toffee, candied orange zest, slight woody notes, cedarwood and discreet sweet spices. Good length and persistence.

Score : 17

Armagnac

Château de Laubade 1992 Brut de Fût / Cask Strength Bas-Armagnac

The nose is fruity, fin, elegant and dense. It reveals notes of Zante currant, candied white fruits and slight notes of candied lemon zest associated with fine notes of spices, grape, candied lemon, a hint of date as well as a discreet touch flowers, slight woody / oaky notes and a hint of gray pepper. The palate is fruity, beautifully gourmand, fine, harmonious, precise, relatively mineral, elegant, well built and offers fat, a good suavity and an unctuous texture. In the mouth this Armagnac expresses notes of candied white fruit (pear, nectarine), candied orange and slight notes of date, toffee, woody / oaky touches associated with slight hints of spices (vanilla, cardamom, a hint of pepper) and a discreet / fine hint of coconut (quite discreet). Good length and persistence.

Score : 17.5

Château de Laubade 1988 Brut de Fût / Cask Strength Bas-Armagnac

The nose is fruity, gourmand, suave and elegant. It reveals notes of candied citrus (lemon, clementine) and slight notes of apricot Tarte Tatin associated with slight notes of peach, toffee and spices (cardamom, a touch of cinnamon, a hint of vanilla and a discreet note of bergamot). The palate is fruity, gourmand, elegant, fat, suave, well-balanced and offers a beautiful matter and a beautiful finesse. In the mouth this Armagnac expresses notes of pear in syrup, crystallized citrus (lemon, clementine) and slight notes of Tarte Tatin, caramel, marshmallow associated with fine woody notes as well as very discreet hints of sweet spices (Bourbon vanilla ...). Good length and persistence.

Score : 18

J. Goudoulin 1980 Bas-Armagnac

The nose is fine, elegant and relatively powerful. It reveals notes of white fruit (pear, flat peach) associated with a hint of lychee as well as discreet notes of rancio, candied orange zest as well as a hint of flowers and fine notes of spices. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, fine, elegant and quite suave. In the mouth this Armagnac expresses notes of candied white fruits and slight notes of peach compote associated with fine touches of litchi, caramel, rancio as well as discreet hints of spices, crystallized orange and fine woody / toasted touches. Good length. The finish is suave and soft.

Score : 16.25

Blended

Dartigalongue - 30 ans Bas-Armagnac

The nose reveals notes of candied orange, flowers, rancio and nuts. The palate is fresh, suave, elegant, complex and perfectly balanced. It expresses notes of candied orange zest, peach, candied fruits and slight dried pineapple and spices with a beautiful woody note that give a subtle roundness in mouth. Good length. A great success!

Score : 17.5

Dartigalongue - 25 ans Bas-Armagnac

The nose reveals notes of caramelizes pear, prunes, vanilla and rancio. The palate is sweet, fresh, elegant and relatively powerful. In the mouth this Armagnac reveals notes of citrus (tangerine, lemon), apricot, peach

and spices. There is a small licorice on the finish. Good length.

Score : 15.25

Dartigalongue - 20 ans Bas-Armagnac

The nose is elegant. It reveals notes of raisin, quince, peach, nut and slight notes of vanilla, white flowers and woody notes. The palate is smooth, round and offers a small freshness. It expresses notes of white fruits, dried fruits, grape and plum. There is a slight hint of licorice on the finish.

Score : 15.5

Dartigalongue - 15 ans Bas-Armagnac

The nose reveals notes of fruits, prunes, flowers, vanilla, spices and caramel associated with small hints of rancio. The palate is fruity, balanced, supple and well built. It reveals notes of candied fruits, pear, plum and spices combined with notes of nuts, rancio, vanilla and oak. Good length.

Score : 15.25

Dartigalongue - Cuvée Louis Philippe Bas-Armagnac

The nose reveals little notes of prunes, dried fruits, apricot and slight notes of rancio, licorice, vanilla, cedar and cardamom. The palate is round, smooth, incisive, fine and elegant. It expresses notes of candied fruits, dried fruits and slight caramelization, nuts, leather and rancio. The finish is long.

Score : 17.75

Armagnac Delord - L'Authentique Bas-Armagnac

The nose is fruity and elegant. It shows aromas of citrus, orange, dried fruits, rancio and slight spicy notes. The palate is very fleshy, lively, aromatic and elegant. It expresses notes of white fruits, liquorice and slight notes of rancio and spices. A beautiful Armagnac !

Score : 16.25

Armagnac Delord - 25 ans d'âge Bas-Armagnac

The nose is fine and elegant. It reveals notes of dried fruits, prunes, yellow fruits and slight notes of candied orange zest and spices. The palate is fresh, fruity, fat, full, complex and reveals a fleshy texture close to the pear texture. In the mouth this Armagnac expresses notes of candied fruits, apricot, plum and spices (including cocoa). There are also small notes of rancio. Good length.

Score : 17.25

Armagnac Delord - 20 ans d'âge Bas-Armagnac

The nose is fine and elegant. It reveals notes of candied fruits, small spices, rancio, brioche and slight notes of licorice. The palate is fresh, fleshy, elegant and harmonious. In the mouth this Armagnac reveals fruity but also plum, quince, spices, nuts and apricot. Beautiful fruity taste.

Score : 16.5

Darroze - Les Grands Assemblages 60 ans d'âge Bas-Armagnac

The nose reveals notes of rancio, dried flowers, tobacco, leather, citrus

Armagnac

and slight notes of small spices and vanilla. The palate is round, complex and expresses aromas of quince, prunes, orange zest and slight notes of caramel. There is also some very light notes of almond. Long finish.

Score :17.25

Darroze - Les Grands Assemblages 50 ans d'âge

Bas-Armagnac

The nose reveals notes of raisin, candied citrus and slight notes of chocolate rancio. The palate is round, suave, elegant, relatively rich and complex. It expresses notes of fruits paste and slight notes of rancio and chocolate.

Score :16.75

Darroze - Les Grands Assemblages 40 ans d'âge

Bas-Armagnac

The nose reveals small notes of fruits, peach peel, citrus (especially grapefruit and tangerine) and slight notes of orange zest, spices and wood. The palate is dynamic, fruity and offers a small acidity. It expresses aromas of juicy citrus (lemon, clementine), slight spicy notes (especially vanilla and caramel) and woody notes.

Score :16.5

Darroze - Les Grands Assemblages 30 ans d'âge

Bas-Armagnac

The nose reveals notes of dried fruits, citrus, rancio and spices (cloves). The palate is powerful and aromatic. In the mouth this Armagnac expresses notes of dried fruit, citrus, orange zest, spices and nuts.

Score :16

Delord Création N°5

Bas-Armagnac

The nose is fine and slightly discreet. It reveals notes of candied orange associated with slight notes of rancio, discreet touches of citrus as well as a hint of flowers and cardamom. The palate is fruity, gourmand, relatively rich and offers a beautiful fruity frame. In the mouth this Armagnac expresses notes of crystallized clementine and notes of candied orange associated with a discreet hint of ripe white fruit, a touch of caramel as well as discreet woody, cinnamon, a fine touch of coffee and honey. Good length.

Score :16.25

Delord Création N°6

Bas-Armagnac

The nose is powerful, fine and relatively rich. It reveals notes of rancio, a touch of zest of clementine and fine notes of caramel, honey associated with discreet notes of pear, cocoa and a touch of sweet spices. The palate is fruity, gourmand and offers a beautiful frame. In the mouth this Armagnac expresses fine notes of caramel, a touch of Pomme d'Amour and acidulous candy associated with touches of white fruits / brugnion, hints of pear, orange, woody touches as well as slight notes of caramel and discreet notes of spices, cocoa. Good length and persistence. Good job !

Score :16.75

Château de Laubade N°5 Intemporel

Bas-Armagnac

The nose is fine, elegant, incisive, quite powerful and quite complex. It reveals notes of candied white fruits, toffee, candied orange zest as well

as hints of Pomme d'Amour, slight woody notes, cocoa and notes of dried fruits. The palate is round, full, elegant, gourmand, fat, suave, well-balanced, fresh, aromatic and offers a small fresh frame. In mouth this Armagnac expresses notes of candied citrus, white fruits (pear, peach) associated with a touch of toffee, Zante currant, spices, honey as well as slight notes of vanilla, candied orange zest and walnuts. Good length and persistence.

Score :17.75

Domaine de Guilhon - VSOP

Bas-Armagnac

The nose is fruity, powerful and gourmand. It reveals notes of candied fruit, caramel and slight notes of honey, peach in syrup associated with fine spicy notes and a discreet hint of peat. The palate is fruity, round, fat, relatively fleshy and offers suavity and a small minerality (in the background). In the mouth this Armagnac expresses notes of Pomme d'Amour and peach in syrup combined with a touch of caramel, pear, almond, oak as well as a hint of hazelnut and a discreet hint of chocolate (in the background). Good length. This finish is powerful. The aftertaste is gourmand.

Score : 16

Domaine de Guilhon - XO

Bas-Armagnac

The nose is fruity, gourmand, aromatic and relatively elegant. It reveals notes of caramel, pear caramel, hot apple and slight notes of candied citrus associated with touches of zest, a hint of cedar and spices. The palate is fruity, relatively gourmand, well-conducted and offers suavity, a small freshness and a good matter. In the mouth this Armagnac expresses notes of pear, candied white fruits and slight notes of candied lemon associated with touches of toffee as well as a woody hint, rancio, candied orange zest and a touch of cardamom. Good length and persistence.

Score : 16.25

Castarède - XO 20 ans d'âge

Bas-Armagnac

The nose is fruity, gourmand and quite elegant. It reveals notes of fruit in syrup, rancio and caramel associated with fine notes of candied clementine, lemon marmalade as well as slight notes of spices and almond. The palate is fruity, gourmand, fat, round, suave, well-balanced, elegant, charming and well made. Beautiful matter. In the mouth this Armagnac expresses notes of stewed white fruits (apple, pear, a touch of nectarine) associated with fine notes of clementine, discreet notes of zest as well as slight notes of caramel, honey, almond / walnut and a fine touch of cedar wood / hint of vanilla. Good length and persistence with a slight note of alcohol on the aftertaste.

Score : 17

Delord XO Premium

Bas-Armagnac

The nose is fine, elegant, fruity and complex. It reveals notes of candied citrus combined with a hint of pear, candied lemon as well as slight notes of spice, discreet woody notes, a touch of vanilla and slight notes of cooked brown sugar. The palate is fruity, gourmand, fresh, elegant, straight and offers a small fresh frame. In the mouth this Armagnac expresses notes of Pomme d'Amour and slight notes of caramel associated with a hint of peach, fine touches of citrus (mandarin), slight touches of almond, Brazil nut as well as fine touches of vanilla and caramelization. Good length.

Score :16.25

Armagnac

Château de Laubade - XO

Bas-Armagnac

The nose is fine, complex, full, aromatic, powerful and elegant. It reveals notes of crystallized citrus (lemon, clementine), dried fruits and slight notes of Pomme d'Amour, dried fig, toffee associated with slight notes of flowers, a slight touch of dried apricot, spices and a small toasted / oaky touches. The palate is suave, fresh, round, complex, gourmand, well-balanced and elegant. In the mouth this Armagnac expresses notes of white fruits in syrup and a touch of crystallized lemon associated with touches of toffee, candied orange, discreet spicy notes as well as small touches of vanilla and oak. Good length and persistence.

Score : 17.25

Château Garreau - XO 15 ans

Bas-Armagnac

The nose is fruity, relatively fine and gourmand. It reveals notes of dried fruits, Zante currant and fine notes of orange zest associated with a touch of dried peach as well as touches of sweet spices, a touch of gray pepper, a hint of cedar and rancio. The palate is fruity, relatively gourmand, balanced and offers a small fresh / minerality frame and a small tension. In the mouth this Armagnac expresses notes of candied yellow fruit and dried yellow grape associated with a hint of dried fig, orange as well as fine touches of caramel, rancio, a hint of cedar and oak. Good length. The finish is powerful.

Score : 15.25

Château Garreau - Napoleon

Bas-Armagnac

The nose is fruity, a bit powerful, relatively fat, relatively full and relatively fine. It reveals notes of mirabelle plum, candied physalis and slight notes of candied citrus associated with a hint of flowers, fine touches of spices, rancio and a discreet touch of lavender. The palate is round, fat, balanced, relatively powerful and offers suavity and a small freshness. In the mouth this Armagnac expresses notes of candied white fruit, a hint of lychee, flowers, candied citrus, rose, cedar as well as a touch of rancio and a few slight woody / toasted touches on the finish. Good length and persistence.

Score : 15.5

Dartigalongue - Hors d'âge

Bas-Armagnac

The nose is marked by notes of candied orange. It also reveals notes of plum and slight notes of rancio associated with a hint of pepper. The palate is smooth, round and well balanced. In the mouth this Armagnac expresses notes of cooked white fruits and slight notes of plum, nuts, and spices combined with a delicate woody notes. Good length.

Score : 16

Château Garreau - Hors d'âge

Bas-Armagnac

The nose is aromatic and elegant. It reveals notes of walnuts, dried fruits and slight notes of candied white fruit (pear, peach ...) associated with touches of rancio, caramel as well as slight notes of sweet spices (Bourbon vanilla...). The palate is fruity, balanced, well defined, relatively gourmand and offers fat and a certain finesse. In the mouth this Armagnac expresses notes of candied white fruit (nectarine, pear) associated with small notes of candied citrus (mandarin, lemon) as well as touches of caramel, mirabelle plum, discreet hints of walnut, oak and almond.

Score : 16.25

Domaine de Guilhon - Hors d'Âge

Bas-Armagnac

The nose is elegant, fine, powerful and charming. It reveals notes of dried fruits, almonds, walnuts and slight notes of candied fruit associated with a touch of pear compote, small notes of rancio, a hint of orange peel, caramel and small spices (vanilla, cardamom, hint of cinnamon and a fine touch of Sichuan pepper). The palate is fruity, well structured, relatively gourmand and offers suavity, elegance, finesse and a small freshness. In the mouth this Armagnac expresses notes of candied orange, pear in syrup and a touch of honey, toffee combined with a discreet touch of candied orange peel, a discreet hint of candied lemon as well as a discreet touch of rancio, sweet spices (vanilla, cinnamon) and slight touches of flowers. Good length and persistence.

Score : 17



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