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It is with great pleasure that I invite you to discover this 2018 Summer edition of VERTDEVIN magazine. For this issue I chose to explore and to taste wines from France, Austria, Abruzzo, Piemontes, Brazil, Portugal and South Africa. This magazine is the result of exhilarating trips, amazing tastings, discoveries and fabulous meetings !

So in the first part of the magazine you will meet great winemakers from Italy and France through interviews.

In the second part you will discover Romain Guyot Wine & Food pairings, a great and promising Chef from Bordeaux. He is the Chef of the famous restaurant Le Gabriel. He created a few recipes especially for VERTDEVIN to pair with wines. These customized creations will tickle your taste buds !



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In the third part, you will find a special report about "Bordeaux En Primeurs" with the TOP 200 as well as some Coups de Cœur wines. A selection among more than 720 tasted wines. Before reading the TOP 200 2017 wines I think it is important to remind you that it is wine en Primeur. That is to say unfinished wines, in the process of being created and therefore not finished ! This could, if I dared to compare, be like an ultrasound of a baby in the sixth month of pregnancy. Just as for the child this" examination" allows us to have a good idea of what the wine will become without having a fixed, determined and 100% reliable image. The majority of the wines will remain in ageing between 12 and at most 24 months.

Let us also bear in mind that, as one famous taster said, "tasting is not about tracking down the fault, but about determining whether the pleasure exceeds it." Wine is not a technological product, standardized but a living product of human pleasure, sharing and conviviality !

Keep also in mind that it would be incongruous to compare a wine from an AOC (appellation) with a wine from an independant because we don't have to expect the same thing from these wines ! Following the TOP 200. you will also find a short selection of wines that didn't necessarily get the best ratings but that offer an excellent value for the money..."coups de cœur"wines !

In the fourth part you will find 750 wine & spirits tasting reports with wines from : Bordeaux, Bourgogne, Rhône, Alsace, Champagne, Beaujolais, Portugal, South Africa, Abruzzo (Italy), Austria, Piedmont (Italy) and from Brazil.

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Saint-Emilion **CHÂTEAU CANON LA GAFFELIÈRE**

Wine, a family passion that dates back to the 12th century !

hâteau Canon La Gaffelière is a wine estate in Saint-Emilion, classified as Premier Grand Cru Classé. The Château located at the foot of the famous village is owned by the von Neipperg family since 1971. It is currently managed by Count Stéphane Von Neipperg : "In the family we are winemakers for 37 generations and the 38th is preparing to resume !"

Let's go together to meet him ...

Where does the name of Château Canon La Gaffelière come from ? "La Gaffelière is the cadastral name of the parcel. The name comes from 'The Gaffe' which is the bishops' leprosy. There was probably bere in the Middle Ages a leper hospital with fields around it.

For a long time the vineyard was called 'La Gaffelière-Boitard', named after the former family owner (Boitard de La Poterie). At that time they had a fairly close relationship with a property of Canon Fronsac. It is possible that 'Canon' come from there because the name of 'Canon La Gaffelière' appeared at the same time, early 20th century."

Why did you choose to become a winemaker?

"I think I fell into it when I was little. Already as a child we were taught the taste of wine. During meals we always had the right to a small drop of wine in the glass. Each time our parents, or our

nanny, would ask us to describe what we felt and what we tasted. I keep saying this, but wine education is very important because it is an education to taste as well as good consumption. Thanks to that I have a relationship that is quite normal to alcohol. I have never been drunk so much that I can't reason for myself. When I feel that the next drink will be too much, I'll stop ! I would not even take pleasure in taking another ... There is no enjoyment, no pleasure in drunkenness ... Like any good product, any gourmet product, pleasure is not excess. All this is an education. In my day it was the norm. Today it is more complicated. We are often badly seen when we say that. What interested me was to work in a high-quality craft industry. It could have been fashion, leather, furniture ... but I always wanted to work in contact with the homemade, the handmade. What I like is the individualized products, with a soul, a story and not standardized products that are chain-made."

What is the signature of Château Canon La Gaffelière wines ?

"I think our signature has certainly evolved, changed over time. When my father bought the property in 1971 the vineyard was managed with chemical fertilizers, pesticides etc ... Everyone worked like that, it was the 'ease' of the 50's and 60's. But in all this we always look for a structure for wines ... We have, no doubt, found a certain structure at a given time but that was not natural. We then tended to over-focus, over-structure but



we quickly stopped it because we understood, earlier than the others, that this is not where the greatness of a wine lies. What we are looking for above all and what is most important for making great wines is balance and freshness. It is also this powerful structure side, 'complete' that is to say that we find everything without anything going beyond, without anything taking over, without any excess whatsoever. There is no pleasure in drinking wines that are too extracted, too ripe or too woody. Do not look for something that is not in the nature of the vintage like wanting to make a 2016 with a 2017. Each vintage

is different and good in it's own way !"

Can you tell us about the management of your vineyard?

"We already manage all our vineyards according to the principles of organic farming. It's an approach I've had since the beginning. I consider that to make a great wine, a wine with a great longevity it is absolutely necessary that a soil lives. How can you have a life in wine if you've killed everything else ... you have to preserve the microbial life. I think that eventually all the chateaux will have an organic philosophy, whether declared or not, certified or not.

Personally I am very detached

from all that (certifications ...) but on the other hand we can not talk about bio, biodynamics without certification ... even if we have been applying it already for years ! By cons it poses problems for the export because the EU, China or the US are not all

agreement_ on the subject (logo, legislation, rules, yeasts authorized or not ...). It would be nice if our administration managed this problem because we are tempted to ask for the certification without putting it on the label in order to simplify our life !"

Can you describe in a few words what wine is for you ? "Wine is life and balance. A great wine must above all be balanced, have freshness and put its terroir in value. The notion of 'drinkability' is also important. A great wine must have something that challenges us, which marks us ! We have too often forgotten that a great wine must accompany a meal, it must be gourmet !"

Do you have an anecdote about the property or one of your vineyards?

"Among our vineyards we have a property in AOC Castillon Côtes-de-Bordeaux, so an appellation of red wine. When buying in 1998 we found in the cellar old bottles of sweet white Chateau d'Aiguilhe vintage 1947 !"

Thanks to Count von Neipperg and Magali Mallet for their warm welcome.

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Bordeaux

CHÂTEAU CROIX DE LABRIE

A Saint-Émilion Grand Cru where work and wines are jewellery !

he Château Croix de Labrie is a small vineyard-garden located on Saint-Christophe des Bardes, AOC Saint-Emilion Grand Cru. Created in the early 90's by Michel Puzio, it was bought in 2013 by Pierre and Axelle Courdurié. Currently the property covers 3.5 hectares divided into two main parcels. Some acres located in the Entre-deux-Mers allow them, in addition to the range, to produce a small quantity of white wine. In this family business, Pierre Courdurié takes care of all the Marketing & Commerce and Axelle takes care of the vineyard and the winery.

Each year the property produces an average of 9,000 bottles of Saint-Emilion Grand Cru (three labels : Château Croix de Labrie and Chapelle de Labrie, Les Hauts de Croix Labrie) and 1,600 bottles of white wine (Stella Solare). This year a new vintage 100% Chardonnay will

also be released (Camille de Labrie). Let's go together to meet Axelle and Pierre Courdurié, a passionate couple...

Why did you choose to buy a winery / make wine?

It's a common project we've had for many years. We met in the USA in 1994. At that time Axelle vinified for a winery near Seattle (Washington State). When we returned to Bordeaux she wanted to work in a vineyard but it was quite complicated because she was not from bere, a woman, and did not know anyone. She left to work in another sector (BTP) with the idea of returning to the vineyard as soon as possible. Personally I already worked in the wine sector, I take

care of the distribution-export for a large area of the medoc.

So it was a while that we had the plan to take over a domain and then one day we really started. We were looking primarily for a terroir and preferred the Right Bank of Bordeaux because we wanted a vineyard on a human scale, small and close to the spirit of Burgundy / family business.

One day when we were traveling to Singapore we heard about this property, it seemed to perfectly match us. On the way back we went to meet the Château Croix de Labrie... that was exactly what Axelle wanted, a garden vineyard ! We never left...

Where does the name of the property come from ?

The name comes from the name of a place called Saint-Emilion. Château Croix de Labrie was in the 1990s', with Château Vallan-



elegant and especially on the ends of mouth. They are never in opulence. They are really marked by their terroir. Even on old vintages there is a Pomerol side.

What makes the specificity of your terroir(s) ?

For our red wines we have 2 main plots, one is located on Saint Christophe des Bardes, the other is at the foot of Château Pavie.

The first offers a very deep clay-limestone soil with limestones in asteri (small fossilized shells in limestone). This parcel brings to our wines depth (clays) as well as a lot of freshness (limestones). The second plot, at the foot of Pavia, is composed of clay, limestone but also sand and iron soil. It is an extraordinary terroir especially for Merlots. This terroir gives us finesse, freshness and a lacy side. It does not bring this depth in the mouth that one has on the first parcel but it brings more elegance as well as more acidity.

Another important thing here, we do not do big extractions. We prefer to make room for freshness, balance and not over-extraction. Also, we have an organic approach but we are not yet certified. For example we do not use inputs and we plow the soil with the help of a horse... We are launching the certification application this year.

If you had to define the property, its wines and its atmosphere in a few words what would you say?

Château Croix de Labrie is one of the few properties in Saint-Emilion to work with an approach to Burgundy (each terroir has its own wine). We work our vineyard like a garden, paying great atten-

> tion to the terroirs, at each vine to express to the maximum the potential of each of our soils. We can do it because we are small. Indeed if we had 30 hectares it would be much more complicated to do. To summarize I would say : attention / care, sense of detail, softness and a human touch.

Do you have any special projects for the property ?

Yes, we are currently transforming part of the main building, a Bordeaux' Chartreuse house style, to offer to tourists two guest rooms in the heart of our vineyard. In the long term we would also like to renovate the winery.

I can only recommend going to see them or at least to taste their

wines !

CHÂTEAU

ROIX DE LABRIE

"We want our wines to reflect the terroirs

that produced them. We also want them to look like us."

draud / Jean-Luc Thunevin, one of the first garage wines created.

What is the signature of Château Croix de Labrie wines ?

The wines, in Saint-Emilion Grand Cru AOC, from Croix Labrie always have a very Pomerol side. They are very fresh, balanced, very Château Croix de Labrie

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Thanks to Pierre and Axelle Courdurié for their warm welcome ! - J.C.C.

Banyuls

DOMAINE AUGUSTIN

Tradition, passion and family history!

Domaine Augustin is a small family property located on the heights of Banyuls. The property covers 7 hectares divided into 10 parcels. Even if each is different in regards to the soil / subsoil, the altitude, the sunshine / exposure, the grape variety or the age of the vines one can still distinguish two great types of terroir. The first is at altitude and offers cool, deep land facing the sea (East). The second offers shallower, less rich and warmer soils.

On these plots the Parcé family produces three wines each year : a first red wine"Domaine Augustin"as well as a"Adeodat"vintage which is available in white but also in red.

The Parcé family is also the proud owner of the Domaine de la Préceptorie (Maury, Roussillon) as well as a trading company whose philosophy is to help the renaissance, the recognition of certain appellations of Languedoc-Roussillon rich in history, traditions, personalities but tend to be forgotten or distorted."*Through this*

activity we do not want to sell our name or our signature but the fruit of the work of a buman community, of a collective work where the product and the group passes before the bigblighting of a brand / signature". Let's go together to meet Vincent and Marc Parcé

Why did you choose to become a winemaker? I was lucky to have the opportunity to continue a family bistory and in addition to having the choice to accept freely or not this gift... which is not always the case in fam



mely violent thunderstorms. For example the night of November 30, 2014 we had more than 240mm of rain in one night. We have on our vineyard plots on all possible exposures which is a wealth. Soils are poor. Also the vineyard benefits from an architecture of terracing, this holds our soils which are very unstable. It also forbids the use of any tools of mechanical plowing. All this allows us to make wines that generally agree perfectly with land-sea recipes (monkfish tail with chorizo, cod with tomato...).

If you had to define your passion for wine, what wine represents for you in 3 or 4 words, what would you say ?

I would say that for me it is a root of several generations in a specific place : wine, this wine produced here in extreme conditions is life... life given by mother nature. To make wine is a real passion inked in me. I would say that it is a gift of life, it is accepting to work in an open-air workshop, accepting not to be a master but to be a servant, to accept a generous nature but also deman-

ding and that can sometimes be hard. We must accept each year to question, to adapt the work to the vintage... Not to rest on perceived ideas. To make wine you have to know how to give your time, accept time, learn patience... accept not necessarily understand. There is in the profession of winemaker a desire to last, to leave a trace, to only accompany nature and at the same time to be aware that we are nothing but a part of a whole that is beyond us !

not always the case in family businesses... It's a great responsibility to take up the torch !

What is the signature of the wines of the property ? What makes it possible to recognize your wines in blind tasting ? To say that it was me who did it would be a little presumptuous because it is a family job. We make wine the way we like to drink it... Wine is really part of our culture ! We do not make stereotypical wines for newspapers, critics or to make beautiful labels but wines of terroirs, fruit forward, the food friendly ... convivial wines made to be drunk... One looks for the syndrome of the empty bottle.

They come from long macerations but are never monsters of concentration... the fruit above all !

What makes your terroir so specific ?

What is special about our region, our region is the meeting of the sea, this sea air with the mountain. Just look at GoogleMaps to understand our very particular situation, this jutting of the Pyrenees into the Mediterranean. Our vineyard enjoys a great amplitude of altitude between its low point which is at the level of the sea and its high point which is +400 meters. We enjoy a climate sometimes bot and dry thanks to the tramontane but which can sometimes be very bumid, with torrential rainfalls as well as extre-

Do you have an anecdote about the property ?

When we receive on the property, trainees or people who want to get started in the wine we offer them when it is possible to belp us in the vineyard. We then take them to a weeding plot... by hand ! We do not have a tractor... Usually after an hour they ask us how far the plot goes, if the end is near.

We still bave, on our terroirs, a very manual approach, very earthy... an approach that can be found also in some winemakers of Côte Rôtie, Savoie or other terroirs of very steep slopes... but it is moreover in more rare ! This is a bit of the fault of current winemakers who have less tendency to get off their tractor and therefore to have a different relationship to the land.

The risk is that with the over-mechanization, the winemakers do not come down from their tractors anymore. So they have a relationship, a different relationship with their plots, with nature : A small means little nonsense, big ways big nonsense...

Thanks to the Parcé family for its warm hospitality. - J.C.C.

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Margaux

CHÂTEAU LASCOMBES

A property rich in history !

Château Lascombes is a wine estate located in AOC Margaux. Although the vineyard was previously part of a larger and older ensemble (Durfort de Duras) the Château de Lascombes was created in the middle of the 17th century by the Chevalier de Lascombes. One of his descendants,

Jean-François de Lascombes, who was then advisor to the Parliament of Bordeaux, prosecutor of the king to the admiralty and member of the Academy, devoted his life and his fortune to the construction of the castle but also and especially to work on the quality of wines. In 1855 he was elevated to the rank of second Grand Cru Classé thus concretizing the devotion, the work of several generations on the quality of the produced wines. Since its creation the property has known many owners, of which one of the most illustrious was Alexis Lichine who acquired it in 1952.



Previously the property had 84 hectares. Today and following an expansion policy carried out in 2001 Château Lascombes covers 120 hectares in AOC Margaux and 10 hectares planted in AOC Haut-Médoc. The property produces each year, on average 500,000 bottles divided into 3 labels : Château Lascombes (Margaux, Grand Cru Classé), Chevalier de Lascombes (Margaux) and Haut-Médoc de Lascombes.

Currently, since its acquisition by Colony Capital in 2001, Château Lascombes is headed by Dominique Befve (Managing Director).

Why did you choose to make wine ?

"I have done many other things in my life but I have always worked in agriculture / agribusiness (potatoes, green beans, lettuce ...). After 20 years in this sector and thanks to a wine tasting I wanted to change. But in the end it's really by chance that I was able to retrain myself. I entered the world of wine following the acquisition by the Lafite Rothschild group of different properties such as Château L'Evangile. They needed to create technical positions to manage the new vineyards. I applied and was lucky enough to be retained.

I am an Epicurean, a 'bon vivant'. Wine is a product that I like for what it is in itself and for what it represents in our culture. And it's always nicer to do a wine tasting than salads !"(Dominique Befve)

What is the signature of Château de Lascombes wines ? What makes it possible to recognize them in blind tasting ?

"It's not often that we are able to recognize our own wines during blind tasting. It is necessary to remain bumble, it is not an easy exercise. I would say that I make wines that I like and I like wines that are ripe. Attention I do not speak of over-mature but ripe tannins ! I like when the wines are full in the mouth, with a nice material. I think that Lascombes produces one of the most concentrated wines in the appellation ... one of the most mature. We also have a larger proportion of Merlot than in the other wines of the appellation."

Tell us about the Lascombes vineyard

"The vineyard is divided into three distinct groups, roughly equivalent in size : a gritty rump for Cabernet Sauvignon and Petit Verdot, grainy clay where Merlot and Cabernet Sauvignon are planted, and finally clay-limestone plots where Merlots are

planted. Moreover Merlot dominates the vineyard blend at 50%.

We manage our vineyard in reasoned control, using as much as possible biological products. For example we leave the vine totally among grass in winter. This helps to combat erosion. Subsequently it is also transformed into organic matter thus favoring the microbial life of the soil."

Could you describe what wine represents for you ?

"I would say : nature, pleasure, friendliness / friendship, femininity and gastronomy."

Do you have specific projects ?

"We have just reviewed the entire wine tourism mechanism (July 2017) but we want to continue to develop it. I think it is a duty for Bordeaux properties to invest in promoting our beautiful region, our UNESCO World Heritage sites.

We are also planning to expand the Lascombes winery in order to consolidate our two existing vats, improve the technical tools as well as provide small vats to work on small plots. We will continue to work in gravity."



Do you bave an anecdote to deliver on the property ? "It would seem that Churchill loved to drink Château Lascombes wine. He even stayed there for a few days ..."

Thanks to Dominique Befve and Karine Barbier for the warm welcome.

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Abruzzo



Wine is my family, my passion, my love... and them it's a way of life !

Tenuta I Fauri is a family property located on the hills of Maiella, in the province of Chieti (Abruzzo, Italy), a land producing wine for over 2,000 years. The property is currently managed with passion by Domenico, Luigi and Valentina DiCamillo, respectively father, son and daughter. Rich in know-how passed down from generation to generation for over 100 years, they work daily to perpetuate local wine traditions, work on quality and make their region better known.

The property covers 35 hectares planted with vines, spread over six different soils / municipality (Chieti, Francavilla al Mare, Miglianico, Ari, Bucchianico and Villamagna). Every year Tenuta I fauri produces 7 different still wines (BaldovinoMontepulciano, Baldovino Cerasuolo, Baldovino Trebbiano, Ottobre Rosso, Pas-

serina, Pecorino, Rosso dei Fauri) and 3 sparkling wines (Alba Rosa Rosato Frizzante, Graffio Nero Rosso Frizzante, Spumante dei Fauri).

Let's go together to meet Valentina di Camillo.

What do you make the choice to be a winemaker? "Actually, I'm the 3rd generation. I grew up in a family of winemakers and farmers. I was not sure about following this path. To be honest, at the end of high school I did not choose to

work in the world of wine. I first went to study at a university of bio-chemistry to become a pharmacist.

At this time and more particularly in this part of Italy the world of wine was above all a man's world. However, at the end of my studies I realized that what I really wanted was to live and work in the vineyard. I had just realized that it was my destiny to become a winemaker even though I knew it would be difficult for me as a woman. However, I decided to follow this path, so I resumed my studies to become a winegrower so that I could one day take over the family vineyard. Today it is not so rare to find a woman winemaker, it is even more and more 'normal' in my area."

Where does the name of Tenuta I Fauri come frome ?

"It come from an area where we have a very little country house and where one of my ancestors was born. All around there was a monastery where priests made olive oils, wines and some other products from agriculture. The name of the priests corporation was Faury. Also we found on our property a big stone where there is artwork (two lions with a ram). We currently use as our logo. It's a symbol of --- christianity." (Valentina Di Camillo, owner & winemaker)

What does wine mean to you ?

"First, wine is my family and them it's a way of life. It's a complete work. I mean it's full of satisfaction, happiness, a gift from Mother Nature but you also have to face different kinds of vintages and different problems... However, I really enjoy a lot what we do.

I'm really pround to preserve my rural roots, my heritage / ori-

gins. If I think about wine I think about my father, my grand-father and my great grand-father around the table, drinking wine, having really good and handmade food. It's Italy ! We have a gorgeous variety of wines in italy (different terroir, grapes, approach, region...etc). It's a part of our way of life. "

What make your terroir so specific ?

"I live in an almost undiscovered region, the Abruzzo region. I mean it's not yet so famous like Tuscany or Piemontebecause we are really hard workers but we have to open the beauty of this region to the world and it's the right time to do it. As the beauty, the strength is the fact there is a big contrast between big mountains and really a few kilometers far from the Adriatic Sea. So, the strength of the mountains and the freshness of the sea made the beauty of our terroir. We try to summarize this in our

> wines. You have to feel the power of the variety, the mountains and in same time the acidity and the freshness due to the sea. It's a kind of half of way between to the beauty of one side and the other side of the region.

> Basically, we are farmers. We really love choosing the land where we will grow vines, to choose a good quality of soil, a right and great terroir. It's a big challenge to manage all this kind of terroir but each one has its proper style, identity and expression. It's a challenge but a chance to learn more about wines."

What is the signature of your wines ?

"I think the first fact is all wines that we produce are very expressive of the variety. We don't use oak too much because we don't want to cover up to much the grape's flavors. All our wines are very clean, gastronomic and food friendly. They keep our mouth very clean. They have a big personality due to the respect of the land where they're from but also the respect of our tradition (many vast traditions). We really want to feel the roots, the earth/terroir and the grapes. We want to make wines showcase the season and the vintage because everyone is different and we must taste/feel the difference. You should be able to feel the sun if it was a sunny vintage or the rain if it was rainy season. It's very important to us ! It makes the difference between a wine and a standardized drink."

Do you have any future plans for the winery ?

"We have just rebuilt the old farm house of the family. We want to be able to host people who come to visit us and to keep them with us... it'll be a kind of Bed & breakfast. We want to create a family atmosphere, to go deeper into our family, roots and region. We want to provide a personal and strong wine experience."

Thank you to Valentina for the warm welcome.

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CORTE SCALETTA



A young and promising vineyard !

Corte Scaletta is a young and small family property located in Marcellise, a few kilometers from Verona. The property, which covers 10 hectares, facing south was acquired in 1998 by the Cavedini family. For more than 10 years the estate produced no wine but simply grapes that were sold to other local vineyards. It was not until 2011 that the Cavedini family decided to vinify some of the grapes on the estate. The ultimate ambition is to vinify 100% of the fruits from their vineyard.

Each year Corte Scaletta produces four wines : Valpolicella, Valpolicella DOC Superiore, Amarone della Valpolicella, Cabernet Sauvignon IGT. In spite of the youth of the production, the wines show a nice harmony and quality.

Currently the property is managed by Giulia and Riccardo Cavedini. Let's go together to meet Giulia

Where does the name of the winery come from ?

"Our vineyards are inside a walled estate... It's a sort of "clos". The name Corte Scaletta come from the little staircase (Scaletta in italian) that go from the estate to the village center."

What is your wine signature ?

"I tbink that one of the main characteristic of the wines is the balance between red fruits notes and spices notes. They mainly come from the typicity our terroir."

For my part I would add that the work on matter, barmony, precision and gourmandise are also characteristics common to all their wines. There is a certain modern approach in these wines.

Why did you choose to make wine ?

"I decided to start the winery because before we sold all our grapes to other wineries and it was time to "close the loop" and put all our passion in a bottle...

Because I want to start a new story with a brand "Corte Scaletta" that represents our land and our tradition."

What make your terroir so specific ?

"The grapes come from our own vineyards with 2 different kind of soils : some vineyards tending to clay (Characteristics in wine : good extracts, good acidity, ages well) and some vineyards Calcareous (Characteristics in wine : salts, perfume, aromas). I think that is a good combination ! The main characteristic that our terroir gives to our wines is the spiced notes, balsamic notes, the salt and also a good longevity.

Also, our vines are protected by the mountains and bills which mitigate the climate, wind through Marcellise and around the Musella estate."

Can you describe your passion for wines in 3 or 4 words ? "I would say : Quality, tradition, care of the environment."

Do you have a plans for your winery ?

"We would like to increase the production up to 50.000 bottles and continue to produce wines that are pure expression of our territory and which tell the story of Valpolicella."

• Corte Scaletta

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Corte Scaletta 2013 Valpolicella Superiore

The nose is aromatic, gourmand, elegant, precise, harmonious and offers a very beautiful grain. Everything is in place ! It reveals notes of blackberry, wild black berries, dried cassis and balsamic combined with fine touches of black olive raspberries, spices, a hint of Cuben pepper as well as very discreet toasted hints / vanilla and dried almonds. The mouth is fruity, fine, elegant and offers a beautiful definition, a fine acid frame, precision, a fine tension, a fine freshness, a (very) slight unctuosity, gourmand as well as a good volume. On the palate this wine expresses notes of blackberry, ripe cassis / ripe wild black berries, balsamic and raspberry associated with fine touches of chocolate, local undergrowth as well as very discreet hints of flowers / violet and of tonka bean. Tannins are fine and supple. Good length. The finish is gourmande. Beautiful and delicate persistence.

Corte Scaletta 2012 Amarone della Valpolicella



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The nose is aromatic, (very) slightly tight, precise and offers power, a fine freshness, a fine intensity, a very beautiful grain and elegance. It reveals notes of dried blackberry, dried strawberry and fine touches of dried redcurrants, balsamic combined with a hint of violet, small hints of spices, garrigue / rosemary as well as a very discreet hint of racy minerality and tonka bean. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, elegant, precise, beautifully gourmande and offers a beautiful definition, a fine acid frame, harmony, volume, depthness as well as freshness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy blackberry, crushed /dried strawberry and small notes of small dried berries associated with a subtle hint of balsamic, blond tobacco, spices, racy minerality, garrigue as well as very discreet hints of chocolate, hazelnut / toasted almond. Tannins are very fine and elegant. Very fine chews on the finish. The aftertaste is (very) slightly powerful. There are touches of of chocolate, fruit and toasted almond on the aftertaste. Beautiful persistence !

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Dear winelovers,

We are pleased to announce to you our wish to organize, every year, professional tastings at every edition of Prowein Düsseldorf and Vinexpo Bordeaux. The goal is to give, in a relaxed/friendly atmosphere, a spotlight to beautiful nectars and to men / women who make them with passion. RDVs are therefore launched in March 2019 and in May 2019. To book a place and for more information please visit :

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Piemonte



PODERI MORETT

Meeting with one of the oldest producing families of Piedmont

Poderi Moretti is a family vineyard located in the Italian Piedmont and more specifically in Monteu Roero. This estate is the result of the union of two of the oldest producing families in the region, the Occhetti and Moretti.

For a very long time the family produced grapes that were sold to large local wine houses (Langhe). But for about forty years, under the impulse of Francesco Moretto the family began to keep some of the grapes for winemaking and bottling on the estate. At first it was only a small part of the grapes and the wines produced were mostly for family and friends.

Currently Poderi Moretti covers 38 hectares of which 22 are planted with vines. The rest is occupied by fruit trees, hazelnut trees and forests. The vineyard is mostly planted in Nebbiolo, to a lesser extent Arneis (native grapes), Barbera and more anecdotally with some international grape varieties.

It produces, on average, each year 35,000 bottles divided into 12 different vintages (red, white, rosé, sparkling). However, Cascina Moretti continues to sell a majority of its harvest to other local producers. Each year this share sold is revised downward. The ultimate goal is to vinify and bottle all the grapes produced on the vineyards of the family.

Meeting with Riccardo and Alessandra Moretti, sons and daughters of Francesco Moretti ...

Why did you choose to become a winemaker?

"My family bas been making wine bere since 1630 ... so there is a strong family tradition. At first, if I started to study oenology it's mainly because I wanted to work with my father on the family estate. Little by little, I fell in love with this profession, this world. So, I made the choice to leave to improve at the University of Turin because I saw all the potential there was on our vineyard, the possibilities of evolution. Subsequently, I returned to the property to become the 2014 winemaker. I like this versatile profession, of soil, manual work, rich in challenges, rich in human contacts and which makes it possible to work in a family! "

If you had to describe your passion for your job in a few words, what would you say?

"I would say: The love of Nebbiolo, family vineyard and tradition ... I am lucky to be able to do this job and do it on my field. I would also add that I like to do it not to have to apply a unique recipe to each vineyard but to make the wine case by case."

What do you think is the signature of Poderi Moretti?

"I would say that what we are looking for (and I think what characterizes us so) is elegance and finesse while respecting terroirs and tradition. We bring great importance to the respect of the terroirs, the fact that the wine must reflect its land.

For several decades, winemakers in our region have been divided over the use or not of the barrel. My family has chosen to stay in the traditional method and so we use the vast majority of casques. However, for some cuvées we still use some barrels, in addition to casks, to bring a bit more complexity. "

What makes your terroir so special?

"In general, the region consists of different clays (limestone marl,



blue marl), tuff sand, sand and sulphurous chalk. This soil composition attests to the presence here of an ocean several millions of years ago.

In Poderi Moretti, tbanks to our different plots of vineyards more or less distant from each other we do not have one but many different micro-climates, soils typical of the region (Montaldo Roero, Santo Stefano Roero, Vezza d'Alba, Govone ...). It is this wealth of terroirs that we try to transcribe through each single vineyard. For example, our Cuvée Occhetti, which is our top wine comes from our most qualitative vineyard. It is racy, balanced, elegant and offers a good aging potential.

We also make some blends which allows us to bave to offer different wines, more complex. The assemblages of these are always done after vinification and not co-fermentations.

On our vineyards, we have old vines planted by my grandfather more than 70 years ago as well as many parcels planted by my father 35/40 years ago. "

Do you have plans for Poderi Moretti?

" Yes. We are buying vineyard plots to expand our vineyard. We are also changing our labels/packaging. We would also like to expand our sales abroad, we are currently working on them a lot ... "

Anecdote : Where does your family's coat of arms come from? "It's a legacy from my father's family. This is an old coat of arms of the family that we found in a book that attests to the presence in the region of our family since at least 1630. It consists of three spurs and a man of bronze. We think that at the time the family had horses or rode horses. The bronze man is surely a reference to the color of the skin ... which would also explain our last name (Moretti = dark skin). "

Thanks to Riccardo and Alessandra Moretti for their warm welcome

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AZIENDA AGRICOLA EMILIO VADA

Meeting with a young and promising Italian winemaker

zienda Agricola Emilio Vada is an old family wine estate founded in 1970. It is located in Coazzolo, on the border of Langhe, in the heart of anUNESCO vineyard. The estate covers 20 hectares spread over different municipalities : Coazzolo, Mango and Cossano Belbo. The property is now managed by Emilio Vada, representing the 5th generation family to work this land.

The property has for a long time produced grapes for sale to neighboring vineyards. It was not until 2012 that Emilio bottled, under its own brand, its first wines. However not wanting to suddenly upset the family business, a large part of the grapes produced on the field are still sold to other companies. Each year, the share of production dedicated to family wines increases gradually.

Let's go together to meet Emilio Vada, a young and talented winemaker !

Where does the name come from ?

I chose with my family to give the winery my personal name, Emilio Vada. I'm 29 years old, and I studied in Alba at the oenologist school. In 2008, when I finished the school I was enthusiastic to join my family in working in the vineyards, and my role soon became relevant to producing the wine we are proud of. The vineyards are handed down both from the parents of my father Roberto and my mother Milva. The vineyards are divided between the most important varieties of Piedmont

: Moscato d'Asti and Barbera d'Asti, Langbe Nebbiolo and Dolcetto d'Alba.

Why Did you choose to make wine ?

Although the vineyards have been handed down for centuries, my parents did not produce wine but sold the grapes to other wineries and they vinified only a few demijohns for their own consumption. When I finished oenologist school, I started to experiment with the incredible product of our vineyards. The creativity shortly brought the grapes into a stunning wine expression. Everyone after tasting those first experiments encouraged us to start to bottling it with our own label. Turning the hard work done in the vineyard into a great wine rather than selling the grapes to others is a great satisfaction, difficult to imagine.

What is your wine signature ? I mean, what allows to recognize your wines in blind tasting

In my wines you'll definitely recognize the scent of the grapes preserved as fresh and clean as possible. For us is very important to preserve the terroir and express it in the wine we make. The vineyards require constant and precise care, and a profound understanding and respect for Nature's variable ways. We therefore dedicate the same patient passion of our ancestors to every single vine that grows on our land following the same



ritualistic cadence dictated by the cycle of the seasons. A good wine can only derive from excellent grapes that are produced from a vineyard that has been cared for with precision and knowledgeable passione all the way through to the barvest.

What Makes your terroir so specific ?

The Terroir of our region has an unique stratification of marls,

calcareous-clay. The soil is rich with indispensabile mineral substances that give our wine that fruity scent. The geological conformation of our bills it allows it to store the snow and rain of the cold winters as water reserves for the bot and droughty summers. In a climate like ours the exposition of the vineyards is really important. luckily some of the best exposed lands of these hills have been jealously guarded and handed down to us from our ancestors. Theseconditions, combined with meticulous and wise work in the vinevard. permits

us to harvest incredible intensely flavored grapes, perfectly ripe.

Do you have plans for your winery ?

At the moment we are producing young wines bottled the year after the barvest, and aged in stainless steel tanks. We plan to start to produce from the oldest vineyards a special selection of Nebbiolo and Barbera aged in french barrels and that will be available 2 and a half years from the barvest. Since at the

moment we are only making wine from a part of the vineyards we own we have the dream to make wine from all the 20 bectares we own.





Do you have an anecdote about the wine /winery ? Our winery is located in coazzolo, a small village in the province of Asti, right on the border with Cuneo and the Langhe. For this reason our vineyards are split between these two territories allowing us to produce both wines of Asti like Moscato and Barbera d'Asti and Langhe Nebbiolo and Dolcetto d'Alba. And though the cellar is In Coazzolo (AT) we are allowed to use the ALBEI-SA bottles in which are bottled the red Langhe wines, such as Dolcetto, Nebbiolo, Barbaresco and Barolo. The Albeisa is a bottle of ancient origins, produced starting from the early eighteenth century, when the Langa winemakers, wanted to distinguish their wine from other types, adopted a different shape from the typical French one. The producers called this bottle Albeisa, "of Alba". Bottle that identifies our territory and makes us proud when we export to other countries.

Thank you to Emilio Vada for your warm welcome. - J.C.C.

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AZIENDA AGRICOLA CURTO MARCO

A gold nugget nestled in the heart of the Italian Piedmont

zienda Agricola Curto Marco is a small family property located in La Morra (Piedmont). The estate has long sold its grapes, or its wine to other local brands and only a small portion was bottled. In 1997, Nadia Curto, daughter of Marco Curto, began to follow the work of her father and bottled his first vintage under the brand name"La Foia - Curto". In 2002 she decided to return to the property to take over from her father on condition that she could gradually get out of this trading system and stop_ all sales in order to be able to bottle and market 100% of the family production.

Currently the property covers 4 hectares of vines planted. Some ares are also devoted to the cultivation of fruits, hazelnuts... Each year the estate produces an average of 20,000 bottles divided into 6 labels, of which a large majority of Barolo but also some bottles (from 1,000 to 3,000) of Dolcetto, Barbera, Nebbiolo and Freisa.

Why do you make wine ?

It's first and foremost a family affair... I saw in the vine-grower's job a lot of possibility of personal accomplishment but also of evolution, of improvement compared to what my father did. He worked a lot in the vineyard and little in the cellar because he sold almost all the production to other vineyards. He put only a small part in

bottles for the family or for the people who came directly to the cellar.

At the time it was difficult to access the international market, especially for the 'vignerons-contadini' (peasant / farmer) that we are. They have long been considered the last wheel of the coach, not considered and not belped. They worked a lot, but in return they had no recognition consideration and most of all they were poor... For me, taking over from my father after helping him throughout my childhood was really an opportunity. Moreover today, thanks



to the technical evolutions, to a better understanding of the vine as well as thanks to the technological improvements it is easier to make wine. I am proud to see that we are starting to gain international recognition, that we are sold all over the world... it's a kind of social revenge !

What is also important to me is respect for tradition. I am happy to be able to make good wines while continuing to practice ancestral methods, traditions. It's something exciting and wonderful at the same time. That's why I like doing this job !

What is the signature of Curto wines ? What makes it possible to recognize them in tasting ?

I think it's just 'naturalness', the racy side. What I mean is that I am looking to make wines with an intense expression of the varietal, the vintage and the terroir. I try to make good wines with indigenous yeasts, without filtration, without clarification and which are not made up by barrels too striking or other things. I want them to be faithful to their origins (terroir), to the climatic conditions of the year.

In general I prefer wines made in a style more" feminine", on floral and fruity aromas. I'm not looking for big structures... I prefer ele-

gance and finesse than power, strength and concentration. What makes your terroir so specific, what is its strength ?

I'm going to talk about the soil but also Nebbiolo because this grape variety is very changeable from one bill to another, from one exposure to another and from one locality to another. This is why it is not common to see the word 'Nebbiolo' on a label because in general it takes the name of the locality in which it is planted as for example : Barolo, Barbaresco, Roero... etc. It takes rather the name of the locality, even in other regions like Gattinara, Ghemme, Boca in the north of Piedmont.

My terroir is composed of marl (limestone, sand and clay) with a very compact structure that leaves it difficult to transmit the water. It tends to stay on the same level but not to go down to the level below. The wines from these terroirs have large structures but also a beautiful elegance as is visible for example on my cuvée Arborina.

If you had to describe what wine represents for you in a few words, what would you say?

I would say that for me wine is synonymous with history, heart and emotion. It is a product of tradition, conviviality but also a product of socialization that helps to bring people together.

Can you tell us about your two Barolo vintages?

So we produce two Barolo labels : La Foia and Arborina. They are both from our Arborina Hill vineyard, the first from the East facade and the other from the South facade.

'La Foia' is a word in Piedmont patois which means 'foliage'. It's a Barolo that is made in a more classic version that I learned from my father... It comes from long fermentation and a passage in an oak cask of 2,000

The other vintage (Arborina) is a Barolo made according to the method of 'Barolo-Boys' that is to say with shorter fermen-

machine that keeps the must in constant motion . So we have very intense extractions, a strong extraction of the first aromas and few tannins (they are softer !). After that the wine is made a barrel... The difference in exposure of these two vineyards is very important, it brings two very different identities. For example, the vintage Arborina offers notes of balsamic and fruity and floral aromas (rose, mint, eucalyptus...) while the Foia will be more on dried flowers, straw, leather and liquorice, on a traditional style.

Do you have plans for the vineyard ?

I wish to continue to work better and better on the land. Even if we have been working for a long time respecting nature we have recently applied for organic certification. This is an important project for me because I always want to go further in the neutrality of my impact on my terroirs.

Thanks to Nadia Curto for her warm hospitality. - I.C.C.

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La Mercareccia - Drago 2015 Toscana IGT



good definition. It reveals notes of crunchy red berries, ripe wild strawberries and ripe redcurrants combined with fine touches of racy minerality, a touch of white pepper, garrigue / rosemary as well as subtle hints of spices, a very discreet hint of flowers and an imperceptible hint of tonka bean. The mouth is fresh, fruity, well-balanced, a bit tight, soft and offers a good definition, a fine juiciness, a very fine density, gourmandise, purity / precision, freshness as well as a beautiful acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy/ripe red berries associated with small notes of black cherry, small black fruits as well as fine / discreet touches of black olive, spices and very discreet hints of garrigue. Tannins are fine and well-built. Good length.

La Mercarecia Colpodifulmine 2015 Toscana IGT



The nose is fruity, racy and offers a fine intensity, a

beautiful grain as well as a fine concentration. It reveals notes of ripe redcurrants, cassis and small notes of rosemary / garrigue, black olive, racy minerality associated with very discreet touches of chocolate, spices as well as a very discreet hint of violet and cuben pepper. The mouth is fresh, fruity, well-balanced and offers good definition, a fine acid frame, tension, a beautiful fat, a beautiful definition, a small suavity, freshness, a beautiful finesse as well as an aerial side. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe redcurrants, ripe cassis and small notes of ripe wild berries associated with discreet touches of racy minerality as well as a touch of chocolate and discreet hints of vanilla / toasted almond. Tannins are very fine and elegant. Good length and persistence. A beautiful and gourmand wine!





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The nose is fruity, intense, elegant and offers a fine incisive side, a fine concentration, gourmandise as well as a beautiful grain. It reveals notes of blackberry, wild berries and



gray pepper associated with subtle / discreet hints of tobacco, Sichuan pepper, licorice as well as a very discreet hint of flowers (in the background) and undergrowth. The palate is fruity, wellbalanced, racy and offers minerality, a good definition, an acid frame, a good roundness, a small aerial side as well as a good freshness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe blackberry, dried strawberry and small notes of black fruits associated with touches of liquorice, undergrowth, gray pepper as well as discreet touches of racy minerality, garrigue, a very discreet hint of flowers, tobacco and an imperceptible touch of almond on the finish / persistence. Tannins are fine and (very) slightly chewy. There is an imperceptible hint of salinity on the finish / persistence. There are a hint of hazelnut and an imperceptible touch

of balsamic on the finish. Fine gourmandise and very fine chews on the persistence.





The nose is aromatic, well-built and offers a fine unctuosity, a fine freshness as well as a beautiful

complexity. It reveals notes of litchi, rose and subtle hints of quenette associated with very discreet hints of pear, almost saline minerality and an imperceptible hint of local vegetation / boxwood. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, beautifuly gourmande, racy and offers a beautiful acid frame, dynamism, generosity, precision as well as a small tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of quenette, lychee and rose associated with small notes of brugnon, ripe white fruit, citrus zest as well as discreet touches of racy minerality. Good length and very beautiful persistence. The finish is slightly crunchy.

Feudo Montoni Nero d'Avola 2016 Lagnusa Sicilia

The nose is aromatic, racy (terroir) and offers gourmandise, depthness as well as a beautiful elegance. It reveals notes of black cherry, blackberry, licorice and fine touches of ripe Gariguette strawberry, spices associated with a very discreet hint of Cuben pepper, flowers, hazelnut as well as an imperceptible touch of hazelnut (in the background) and lavender. The palate is fruity, suave, elegant, precise, racy (terroir) and offers dynamism, a beautiful acid frame, a beautiful definition, harmony, depthness, generosity as well as a beautifully fine and (very) slightly tight grain. On the palate this wine expresses notes of black cherry, blackberry and ripe red berries associated with discreet touches of spices, violet / lavender, discreet touches of Cuben pepper, a very discreet touch of licorice as well as an imperceptible hint of iodine and imperceptible grilled hint (in the background). Good length. Beautiful finish and persistence. A racy wine, full of sincerity !



Feudo Montoni Vrucara 2013 Sicilia

16.75 The nose is fruity, gourmand, precise, racy aromatic

and offers depthness, a beautiful definition as well as concentration. It reveals notes of crushed cherry, crushed ripe cassis and fine notes of ripe wild strawberry, blackberry associated with subtle touches of juniper berries, licorice, dark chocolate, a subtle touch of black olive, caramelized oak as well as an imperceptible touch of balsamic, local vegetation, cornflowers and Cuben pepper. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, racy, gourmande and offers a beautiful definition / structure, finesse, a beautiful suavity / fat, depthness, a mineral frame, complexity as well as a slightly unctuous matter. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed cassis, black cherry and blackberry associated with small touches of ripe red fruits (red berries, wild strawberry), blueberry, licorice as well as a subtle touch of terroir / earth, black olive, vanilla/toasted oak, a very discreet hint of Cuben pepper, spices, saline minerality (in the background) and almond (in the

background). Tannins are well-built. Good length and beautiful persistence. There is a hint of Tonka bean / chocolat on the persistence.

Winemakers' voices

WHAT DOES WINE

Jean Hoefliger

Winemaker/Partner of Alpha Omega, Napa Valley

Wine for me is one of the most important tools that modern society has to bring people back together to spend time and interact. Over the last 25 years, the average family has lost 45 minutes per day spent at the dinner table. That means that we are less and less interacting and taking the time to enjoy a meal and wine. In the Era of text message, email, Instant messages Facebook etc the world is running at a much faster speed and is forcing

"it is my job to create thru wine an emotion"



people to do the same. Wine will bring people to the table and slow their lives down so they enjoy not an electronic relationship but a human one. As far as winemaking, it is my job to create thru wine an emotion and it is the consumer to decide if the taste is good or bad. It is for me why the biggest threat to wine is also its best tool, TECHNOLOGY. We need to use technology to make it better but need to have the artistic way to create the emotion and that should never be forgotten or the art becomes manufacturing.

Cristiano Veglio

Owner of Cascina Bruni, Piedmont Wine represents for me a philosophy of life. It was unthinkable for me to work in another sector. I was



born in the vineyards and since my childbood I have always worked in wine. I helped to harvest and then grew up I worked vinification. Making wine is a wonderful experience that is repeated every year. Seeing the evolution of the wine after aging or after a few years in the bottle is also a source of great emotion. To summarize I would say that for me wine must represent, at all stages, an emotion.

"Passion is what for me means more in wine production"

The 2018 vintage will be my eighteenth harvest as a winemaker in my cellar. As every year the wine season started with my best wishes. Loving wine also means living it every day in the vineyard and cellar.

The profession of winemaker is very hard and uncertain, it can only be done by passion. This passion drives you every year to produce wine, to want to make the best wine possible every year. Passion is what for me means more in wine production.

Winemakers' voices

MEAN TO YOU ?

Hélène Michaut

Owner of Domaine de la Poulette, Bourgogne

At 46 years old, having only been in the profession for 6 years, the wine made sense much earlier, while I lived in England and worked in the computer world at an exciting time : the development of Internet in the 2000s. And yet, it was then, already much easier for me to converse on the wines of the Domain, for



bours rather than the development of the Internet, and this, with strangers and in all different countries.

The wine makes dreams literally and figuratively and especial-

"Wine is, I believe, what France can produce most beautifully"

ly the Burgundy wine with its rare grape varieties and many climates. Each bottle is attached not only to the bistory of the estate and the talents of its winemaker, but especially to its climate, the village from which it comes, a wonderful corner of France. In our region, the wine is worked in small quantities, a bit like lace ... Wine is, I believe, what France can produce most beautifully. A complex agricultural product extremely sensitive to the weather, requiring a lot of manual labor, from the earth, which the time of a good meal, makes happy, evokes the regions of a wonderful country, France, and one can only remember beautiful memories.

My vision, especially with the role that is mine (consulting oenologist), will surely surprise you : the wine brings friends near... It is a human liaison agent.

It seems to me that at every stage of his life, wine is social ... To do it and accompany it, everything is linked to the relationship, the exchange, the sharing of points of view ... the technique is only the tool to transform the human project ... The commerce and distribution are based on the social, the relational but also the dream and the transmission.

And what to say, when it comes to consuming ... it's the essence of

"Wine is social and it is the contemporary antithesis"



Thomas Duclos

this product ... generating and sharing emotion, stimulating verbal exchange and often wine is a consensual subject.

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Wine & Food Pairing

ROMAIN GUYOT Chef of Le Gabriel



Romain Guyot is a young and talented chef who has made his home in the terroir of Aquitaine, his adopted region. Currently chef of the restaurant Le Gabriel (Gastronomic Restaurant and Bistrot Gourmand) he made his debut among the famous names of French gastronomy.

"I've been passionate about cuisine since I was a kid. Certainly because many members of my family worked in this sector. The idea of becoming a chef came insidiously, naturally with time. I'm born in Paris but I grew up in Entre-deux-mers (Bordeaux

region). Thereafter I returned to Paris to work at Le Bristol Restaurant and L'Agapé Restaurant. Thereafter I returned to Bordeaux to work with Nicolas Frion at Le Gabriel.

"For me Wine & Food pairing is the finality of a menu. A good wine with a good dish there is no parallel. No more than necessary ! Whether to pair a gastronimic dish or a good artisanal pâté, cheese"

What is important for me is to give a spotlight to a product and its producer. I do not want a dish mixing 15 different flavors. That's not what interests me. What I want for each of my dishes is to simply cook local product. For example in the Pigeon dish we highlight the name of the producet

and then the pigeon simply accompanied by onions and a delicious juice. I am a Terroir product lover ! My leitmotiv is also to give pleasure and a smile to people. It is also what I like in this job, it's the contact with the customer!"

Le Gabriel is two restaurants in one building. On the one hand, the Gastronomic restaurant for which the Chef imagined an upscale kitchen, produced refined and delicious meals made from seasonal ingredients. Everything is carefully selected and made to give you a wonderful culinary journey. On the other side, the Bistrot Gourmand has a delicate and authentic menu waiting for you to include you in the discovery of the Aquitaine terroir. His goal : Obtaining a Michelin star and brings a smile to customers ?!

Come to Le Gabriel to discover some great meals !

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In the following pages you will find a few seasonal culinary creations made to order by the Chef as suggested to pair with wines.

WINE & FOOD PAIRING

by Romain Guyot, chef of Le Gabriel

Cochon Capelin rôti, girolles du Médoc et Figues

Roasted Capelin Pork, chanterelles mushroom from Médoc and Figs Enjoy it with a Château Cos Laborie 2012 - Saint -Estephe, Grand Cru Classé









La fraise Mara des bois, et l'ortie sauvage

The Mara wild strawberry, and wild nettle **Enjoy it with Natur'L 2017 - Bourgogne**

WINE & FOOD PAIRING

by Romain Guyot, chef of Le Gabriel



Pigeon au sang cuit aux sarments, oignons au jus "Pigeon au sang" cooked with vine shoots, onions in juice

Enjoy it with a "Grand Vin de Reignac 2011 - Bordeaux Supérieur





Côte de Boeuf mature au foin, grenailles de l'île de Ré confites

Beef rib matured with hay, roasted Île de Ré new potatoes Enjoy it with Chateau Perron 2015 - Lalande de Pomerol



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Château La Galiane^{*} Margaux

The nose is aromatic and offers a small freshness. It reveals notes of Boysenberry, cassis and violet combined with touches of fresh red fruits, Cuben pepper and a very discreet hint of liquorice. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good definition. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy blackberry, juicy cassis and small notes of red fruits (crushed strawberry, crushed raspberry) associated with touches of toasted oak, caramelization and chocolate. Tannins are well-built. There is a very discreet hint of toasted bread on the aftertaste. Good length.



Château Tour du Haut Moulin^{*} Haut-Médoc

The nose is aromatic, spicy and offers a small concentration and a small elegance. It reveals notes of crushed cassis, black cherry and small notes of blackberry associated with hints of crushed wild raspberry, toasted oak, vanilla, sweet spices as well as very discreet hints of almonds (in the background) and an imperceptible hint of flowers. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers suavity, a (very) slight unctuosity, a good definition, an acid frame, a good structure as well as a fine intensity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed blackberry, crushed cassis, black cherry and touches of raspberry associated with discreet hints of toasted oak, chocolate as well as a very discreet hint of caramelization and fresh almond (in the background).





Château Cissac* Haut-Médoc



The nose offers fine notes of crushed blackberry, crushed strawberry combined with discreet touches of crushed cassis, toasted oak, liquorice as well as very discreet hints of vanilla and oak. The palate is fruity, juicy, mineral, fresh, wellbalanced and offers an acid frame, fat, a small roundness as well as a small tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy / fleshy cassis, juicy redcurrants and small notes of cherry associated with touches of toasted oak, red berries, a very discreet touch of zan, cassis bud (in the background) as well as small hints of chocolate and caramelization. Tannins are well-built.

Château Grand Tayac^{*} Margaux

The nose is aromatic, fresh and offers a fine concentration. It reveals notes of cassis, blackberry and wild red berries associated with touches of gray pepper and fine hints of spices. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, slightly tight and offers good definition, juiciness, a fresh frame, a good matter, fleshiness as well as fat. On the palate this wine expresses notes of cassis, black cherry and small notes of raspberry associated with touches of crushed / fleshy blackberry, toasted oak, caramelization, dark chocolate / tonka bean, sweet spices as well as a subtle / discreet hint of cardamom. Tannins are well-built. Good length and good persistence.





MÉDOC

Château Roquegrave^{*} Médoc



The nose reveals notes of wild berries and cassis combined with small touches of red fruit jelly, licorice, caramelization, small toasted touches and gray pepper. The palate is fresh, mineral, well-balanced and offers juiciness as well as a fine mineral frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy blackberry, crushed cassis and red fruit jelly associated with small notes of cherry, crushed raspberry as well as touches of liquorice, spices and a very discreet hint of sweet tobacco. Tannins are fine. Good length.

Because oenology starts at the vineyard, Antoine Médeville chose to be a field oenologist. Favoring the identity wines, reflections of the typicity of a place, he strives to reveal the character of each parcel. With his team of young oenologists-consultants based



in the Oenoconseil laboratory of Pauillac, they provide expertise on the entirety of production. A long-term work, nourished by precious advice from the vineyard to the bottling, which makes it possible to weave a bond of trust with the vine growers, more than a collaboration, a fruitful exchange. The oenologist consultant and the winemaker, a meeting, wines of character, all unique.

The performance of their methods of work is based not only on their experience of tasting and blending but also on their ability to provide responsive service throughout the years with accurate analyses.



Preignac, Pauillac, Beychac-et-Caillau, Saint-Émilion

Château La Fleur de

Lalande-de-Pomerol

Lalande-de-Pomerol

Château Moulin Haut

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Château de Cérons Cérons

Château du Cros Loupiac

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Château Léognan Pessac-Léognan

Château Paloumey Haut-Médoc

Château d'Agassac Haut-Médoc

Château Larrivaux Haut-Médoc

Aurore de Dauzac Margaux

Château Haut-Breton Larigaudière Margaux

Amiral de Beychevelle Saint-Julien

Château Villa Carmin Médoc

Château Fleur La Mothe Médoc





Muse du Val Saint-Émilion Grand Cru





Château Soutard-Cadet Saint-Émilion Grand Cru

Château Monbousquet Saint-Émilion Grand Cru Cru classé

Château de Candale Saint-Émilion Grand Cru

Château La Voute Saint-Émilion Grand Cru

Clos de Boüard Montagne Saint-Émilion



Château Lagrange Pomerol

Château La Fleur de Plince Pomerol

Château Vray Croix de Gay Pomerol





















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Les Argileuses Castillon Côtes-de-Bordeaux

Château Puygueraud Francs Côtes-de-Bordeaux

Grand Vin du Château de Reignac **Bordeaux Supérieur**

Château Pierrail Sauvignon Blanc & Sauvignon Gris Bordeaux Blanc

Château Laurence Bordeaux Blanc

Château La Grande Clotte **Bordeaux Blanc**







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- PESSAC-LÉOGNAN-

Château Haut-Brion Pessac-Léognan

Château Smith Haut Lafitte Pessac-Léognan

Château Haut-Brion Pessac-Léognan Cru Classé

Château La Mission Haut-Brion Pessac-Léognan

Château La Mission Haut-Brion Pessac-Léognan Cru Classé

Château Smith Haut Lafitte Pessac-Léognan Cru Classé

Château Les Carmes Haut Brion Pessac-Léognan









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Château Malartic Lagravière Pessac-Léognan Cru Classé

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Château Pape Clément Pessac-Léognan Cru Classé

Château Carbonnieux Pessac-Léognan Cru Classé

La Clareté de Haut-Brion Pessac-Léognan

Le Clarence de Haut-Brion Pessac-Léognan

Les Hauts de Smith Pessac-Léognan

Château Carbonnieux Pessac-Léognan Cru Classé

Château Larrivet Haut-Brion Pessac-Léognan

Clos Marsalette Pessac-Léognan

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La Chapelle de la Mission Haut-Brion Pessac-Léognan



Château Couhins Pessac-Léognan

Chateau Larrivet Haut Brion Pessac-Léognan

- MARGAUX -

Château Palmer Margaux Cru Classé

Château Margaux Margaux Cru Classé

Château Cantenac Brown Margaux Cru Classé

Alter Ego de Palmer Margaux

Château Prieuré-Lichine Margaux Cru Classé

Pavillon Rouge du Château Margaux Margaux

Château Dauzac Margaux Cru Classé





Château Giscours Margaux Cru Classé

Château Kirwan Margaux Cru Classé

Brio de Cantenac Brown Margaux





Château du Tertre Margaux Cru Classé

Château Lascombes Margaux Cru Classé

- SAINT-JULIEN -

Grand Vin du Château Léoville Las Cases Saint-Julien Cru Classé

Château Léoville Poyferré Saint-Julien Cru Classé

Château Léoville Barton Saint-Julien Cru Classé

Château Ducru-Beaucaillou Saint-Julien Cru Classé

Château Beychevelle Saint-Julien Cru Classé

Château Saint-Pierre Saint-Julien Cru Classé

Château Lagrange Saint-Julien Cru Classé

Château Langoa Barton Saint-Julien Cru Classé

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Château Talbot Saint-Julien Cru Classé

Château Moulin Riche Saint-Julien

Le Petit Lion du Marquis de Las Cases Saint-Julien

- PAUILLAC -

Grand Vin de Château Latour Pauillac Cru Classé

Château Lafite Rothschild Pauillac Cru Classé



Château Pichon Longueville Comtesse de Lalande Pauillac



Château Mouton Rothschild Pauillac Cru Classé

Château Pontet-Canet Pauillac Cru Classé

Château Pichon Baron Pauillac Cru Classé

Réserve de La Comtesse Pauillac

Le Petit Mouton de Mouton Rothschild Pauillac

Les Forts de Latour Pauillac

Château Clerc Milon Pauillac Cru Classé

Pauillac Cru Classé

Pauillac

Carruades de Lafite

Château d'Armailhac

Pauillac Cru Classé

Château Duhart-Milon



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Château **Grand-Puy-Ducasse** Pauillac Cru Classé

Les Griffons de Pichon-Baron Pauillac



Château Cos d'Estournel Saint-Estèphe

Château Montrose Saint-Estèphe - Cru Classé Saint-Estèphe - Cru Classé Château Lafon-Rochet

Saint-Estèphe - Cru Classé

Château Calon Ségur

La Dame de Montrose Saint-Estèphe

Château Phélan Ségur Saint-Estèphe

Château Le Crock Saint-Estèphe

Château de Pez Saint-Estèphe

Château Magrez La Pevre Saint-Estèphe

Château Cos Labory Saint-Estèphe - Cru Classé

Château Capbern Saint-Estèphe

Château Meyney Saint-Estèphe

Les Pagodes de Cos Saint-Estèphe

Château **Tronguoy-Lalande** Saint-Estèphe



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In ages past, monks worked our vines with religious fervor. For them the land was sacred, to be treated with respect and devotion. Centuries later; these founding principles remain untouched; the land and its vines are more bountiful than ever before. Only our tools have changed, transformed beyond recognition. An ambitious new vat room captures the scale of our determination to improve, to invest and to advance. Already, it is enabling unprecedented exactitude and precision, offering wines that are richer and purer, evoking the delicate nuances of our world-famous Margaux soils. Château Prieuré-Lichine is renowned for its distinguished past, but will be more so for its glittering future. Our 2015 vintage has recently been named the greatest in the history of the estate.



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- CAINT-ÉMILION -

Château Angélus

Mondot

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Saint-Émilion Grand Cru Cru Classé



Château Ausone Saint-Émilion Grand Cru Cru Classé

Château Pavie Saint-Émilion Grand Cru Cru Classé

Château Bélair Monange Saint-Émilion Grand Cru Cru Classé

Château Cheval Blanc Saint-Émilion Grand Cru Cru Classé

La Mondotte Saint-Émilion Grand Cru Cru Classé

Château Figeac Saint-Émilion Grand Cru Cru Classé

Château Valandraud Saint-Émilion Grand Cru Cru Classé



Château Beau-Séjour Bécot Saint-Émilion Grand Cru Cru Classé

Château Fleur Cardinale Saint-Émilion Grand Cru Cru Classé

Château Beauséjour Héritiers Duffau-Lagarrosse Saint-Émilion Grand Cru Cru Classé

Château Canon-La-Gaffelière Saint-Émilion Grand Cru -Cru Classé

Clos Fourtet Saint-Émilion Grand Cru Cru Classé

Château Croix de Labrie Saint-Émilion Grand Cru







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Château Canon Saint-Émilion Grand Cru Cru Classé

Virginie de Valandraud Saint-Émilion Grand Cru

Château Bellefont-Belcier Saint-Émilion Grand Cru Cru Classé





Château Mangot Cuvée Todeschini Saint-Émilion Grand Cru



Château Pavie Macquin Saint-Émilion Grand Cru Cru Classé



Château Pavie-Decesse Saint-Émilion Grand Cru Cru Classé

Château Soutard Saint-Émilion Grand Cru Cru Classé



Carillon d'Angélus Saint-Émilion Grand Cru Cru Classé

Château Fonplégade Saint-Émilion Grand Cru Cru Classé

Château La Couspaude Saint-Émilion Grand Cru Cru Classé

Château Larcis Ducasse Saint-Émilion Grand Cru Cru Classé



Saint-Émilion Grand Cru







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Château Berliquet Saint-Émilion Grand Cru Cru Classé

Château La Serre Saint-Émilion Grand Cru Cru Classé

Clos de L'Oratoire Saint-Émilion Grand Cru Cru Classé

Clos des Jacobins Saint-Émilion Grand Cru Cru Classé



Bellevue-Mondotte Saint-Émilion Grand Cru

Château

Château Saint Georges (Côte Pavie) Saint-Émilion Grand Cru Cru Classé

Château de Pressac Saint-Émilion Grand Cru Cru Classé



Château Balestard La Tonnelle Saint-Émilion Grand Cru Cru Classé

Clos Dubreuil Saint-Émilion Grand Cru

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Château La Clotte Saint-Émilion Grand Cru Château La Gaffelière Saint-Émilion Grand Cru Cru Classé

Château Gracia Saint-Émilion Grand Cru

Château Grand Mayne Saint-Émilion Grand Cru Cru Classé

Château Mangot Saint-Émilion Grand Cru

Château Magrez Fombrauge Saint-Émilion Grand Cru

Clos Badon Saint-Émilion Grand Cru

Château Bellevue Saint-Émilion Grand Cru Cru Classé

Château La Marzelle Saint-Émilion Grand Cru Cru Classé

La Chapelle d'Ausone Saint-Émilion Grand Cru

Château Petit Faurie de Soutard Saint-Émilion Grand Cru Cru Classé

Le Petit Cheval Saint-Émilion Grand Cru

Château Badette Saint-Émilion Grand Cru

Château Barde-Haut Saint-Émilion Grand Cru Cru Classé

Château Jean Faure Saint-Émilion Grand Cru

Château La Dominique Saint-Émilion Grand Cru Cru Classé





Château Ripeau Saint-Émilion Grand Cru Cru Classé

Château Laniote Saint-Émilion Grand Cru Cru Classé





Château Fombrauge Saint-Émilion Grand Cru Cru Classé

> Château Villemaurine Saint-Émilion Grand Cru Cru Classé





- MONTAGNE SAINT-ÉMILION -



















- POMEROL-Château l'Evangile Château Trotanoy Château La Conseillante Château La Fleur-Pétrus Château Latour à Pomerol Château Hosanna Château La Grave

Château Certan De May de Certan Pomerol

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Château Le Bon Pasteur Pomerol

Château Le Gay Pomerol

Château Rouget Pomerol

Château Petit Village Pomerol

Château Gazin Pomerol

Château Beauregard Pomerol

La Clemence Pomerol

Château Bourgneuf Pomerol

Château l'Enclos Pomerol

Enclos Tourmaline Pomerol

Château Nénin Pomerol

Château La Fleur de Gay Pomerol

Château Tour Maillet Pomerol

Château Clinet Pomerol

Château Lafleur-Gazin Pomerol

Château Maillet Pomerol

- FRONCAC -

Château Fontenil Fronsac

Château Beauséjour Fronsac

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L'Aurage Castillon Côtes-de-Bordeaux

Château d'Aiguilhe Castillon Côtes-de-Bordeaux

Clos Lunelles Castillon Côtes-de-Bordeaux

- OTHERS -



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Buying guide

Wines to discover... and savor !

La Tour de By - Héritage 2015 Marc Pagès Médoc /ertde Vin

The nose is fruity, elegant and offers a fine juiciness as well as a (very) slight complexity. The wine needs to be put in carafe. It reveals notes of cassis, black

cherry, violet and small notes of crushed strawberry associated with touches of gravels, graphite, toasted touches as well as subtle hints of sweet spices and very discreet hints of licorice. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers juiciness, suavity, a small concentration, finesse, tension, gourmandise, precision as well as a slight straightness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed blackberry, cherry and raspberry combined with fine touches of ripe red berries, cassis as well as hints of liquorice, graphite / gravels, subtle hints of chocolate, caramelized oak, vanilla Bourbon and a very discreet iodine hint (in the background / on the finish). [Read full review on www.vertdevin.com]

Ready to drink or to keep / Price : €€€€

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Santorini

Fattoria La Ripa 2010

Chianti Classico Gran Selezione The nose offers a fine intensity. The wine needs to be decanted. It reveals notes of boysenberry, ripe small fruits, small red berries and wild strawberry combined with hints of blueberry / violet, oak, tobacco, cuben pepper as well as small touches of olive, cedar and caramel / vanilla. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a beautiful definition, a nice minerality, freshness, a beautiful precision, a good guideline as well as suavity and a small tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of Boysenberry, crushed red berries and small notes of cassis associated with touches of raspberry, toasted touches and sweet spices. Tannins are chewy and very slightly firm. Good length and good persistence. Straightness on the finish. There is an imperceptible hint of undergrowth / truffle

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with fine notes of dried apricot as well as discreet hints of dried peach, rancio, cedar wood, spices and a very discreet hint of salinity (in the background). The palate is fruity, mineral, beautifully balanced, clean, precise and offers a good definition, a beautiful acid / acidulous frame, tension, an airy side, gourmandise, richness, a beautiful freshness as well as a fine juiciness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of candied lemon, candied mandarin, dried apricot and small notes of dried peach associated with a discreet hint of dried fig as well as subtle hints of almond, juicy orange, subtle toasted hints and caramelization. Good length. Beautiful and aromatic persistence.

Ready to drink / Price : €€€

Alpha Omega Sauvignon Blanc 1155 2015

Napa Valley

he nose is fruity and slightly powerful. It reveals notes of ripe lemon and slight touches of zest associated with discreet hints of apple, flowers as well as very discreet toasted hints (in the background). The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a slight mineral frame, fleshiness, unctuous, a good volume as well as gourmandise. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon and slight touches of fleshy/ ripe combined with touches of pear, slight / discreet hints of exotic fruit / quenette (in the background), subtle toasted touches as well as an imperceptible hint of vanilla and butter (in the background). Good length.

Ready to drink or to keep / Price : €€€





Domaine de la Poulette Les Vaucrains 2011 Nuits-Saint-Georges 1er Cru

The nose is aromatic, powerful, delicate, elegant

and offers a slight depthness / intensity. It reveals notes of violet plum, dried cassis and slight notes of dried strawberry, raspberry combined with hints of flowers (rose, violet) as well as subtle touches of licorice / Zan, tobacco, spices, gray pepper and a discreet hint of nutmeg. The palate is fruity, mineral (racy minerality), gourmand, elegant, silky, fine and offers a good suavity, a nice definition, straightness, a beautiful harmony, delicacy, a slight freshness as well as the purity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy blackberry, juicy plum and slight notes of juicy red berries associated with slight touches of raspberry, cherry, white rose as well as slight touches of wood, cardamom, bean tonka and spices. .[Read full review on www.vertdevin.com] Ready to drink / Price : €€

Staglin Family Vineyard -Estate Cabernet Sauvignon 2013 - Rutherford

Napa Vallev

The nose is fruity, gourmand, elegant and complex. The wine needs to be decanted. It reveals notes of boysenberry, crushed wild cassis and slight hints of wild berries combined with slight touches of blueberry, a discreet hint of fleshy strawberry as well as subtle hints of tobacco, spices and a very discreet hint of caramel. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a beautiful roundness, a beautiful definition, dynamism, freshness as well as a beautiful finesse. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy / juicy blackberry and touches of plum, fleshy cassis associated with slight touches of black cherry, hints of raspberry as well as a very discreet hint of oak. Tannins are fine, well-built and slightly firm. Good length. There are a very discreet hint of dark chocolate, a subtle hint of violet and cardamom on the persistence. Beautiful potential !



Ready to drink or to keep / Price : €€€€€
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Col d'Orcia - Nastagio 2011 Brunello di Montalcino DOCG

The nose is fruity, powerful, well-balanced, racy, precise and offers elegance as well as a enchanting / charming side. It reveals notes of crushed wild strawberry, blackberries, wild small fruits and ripe / crushed cassis combined with touches of black olive, racy minerality, toasted oak, vanilla, a hint of liquorice as well as a very discreet hint of garrigue, tea and an imperceptible hint of undergrowth (in the background). The wine needs to be decanted. The palate is fruity, delicate, melodious, juicy, well-balanced, elegant, silky and offers a good suavity, a good structure, a beautiful finesse, tension as well as fat. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy redcurrants, juicy cherry and small notes of cassis associated with slight touches of toasted oak, liquorice, cardamom and black olive. There is a touch of acidulous fruits in the middle of the mouth. Good length. The finish is suave. Ready to drink or to keep / Price : $\in \in$



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Maxence et Sébastien Besson -Domaine du Penlois - Sous l'aile du Moulin 2016

Moulin-à-Vent

The nose is fruity and offers fleshiness. It reveals notes of fleshy blueberry, strawberry and touches of cherry associated with a hint of Zan as well as discreet touches of sweet spices / vanilla. The palate is fruity, well balanced, suave, well-built and offers gourmandise, a slight acid frame, a slight minerality, precision, finesse as well as a good guideline. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy raspberry, juicy blueberry and slight notes of fleshy redcurrant combined with a hint of plum / cherry, discreet hints of liquorice as well as an imperceptible touch of flowers, chocolate and vanilla Bourbon. Tannins are well-built. Good length. Good and gourmande persistence. There are slight touches of sweet spices and juicy blueberry on the persistence. To keep / Price : €





Champagne Philipponnat - Blanc de Noirs 2009 Brut

The nose is elegant, aromatic, slightly creamy and offers a slight freshness. It reveals slight notes of lemon, apple and ripe peach associated with a discreet hint of exotic fruits as well as a subtle hint of beeswax and an imperceptible hint of almond. The palate is well-balanced, elegant and offers a beautiful freshness, a slight richness as well as fat and suavity. The effervescence is highly fine, shining, elegant and slightly aerial. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of ripe peach, lemon and slight notes of white fruits (Granny Smith apple, hint of vine peach) associatd with discreet hints of biscuit, almond as well as a very discreet hint of beeswax. Good length and beautiful elegance !

Ready to drink or to keep / Price : €€€

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Bulas - 30 Years Old

Tawny Porto

The nose is aromatic, gourmand and relatively powerful. It reveals notes of rancio, soft caramel / toffee and small notes of candied orange, candied quince associated with discreet hints of coffee, cedar wood, subtle hints of Zante currant as well

cedar wood, subtle hints of Zante currant as well as a very discreet hint of pepper and almond (in the background). The palate is fruity, well-balanced, quite gourmand and offers a beautiful definition, a fine acid frame, suavity, fat, roundness, a slight unctuosity, power, a beautiful balance, tension as well as a beautiful depthness. On the palate this Porto expresses notes of lemon, quince, candied orange, rancio, toffee and small notes of coffee associated with discreet hints of chocolate, grilled oak as well as a very discreet hint of sweet spices, Zante currant (in the background) and almonds. The finish is (very) discreetly tight. Good length.





Andresen - Colheita 2005 Special Selection - Porto

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The nose is powerful, concentrated, fruity and offers a slight richness as well as intensity. It reveals notes of caramelized apple and dried citrus associated with subtle touches of spices, pepper as well as a very discreet hint of owers (in the



background). The palate is fruity, elegant, delicate, well-balanced, pre- cise, suave and offers a beautiful straightness, a beautiful structure, fat, a slight acid frame, richness, unctuosity, generosity as well as a good de nition. On the palate this wine expresses notes of caramelized apple, caramelized orange and small notes of candied lemon associated with a subtle touch of blackberry, cedar wood, tobacco, spices, caramel / pâtisseries as well as a very discreet hint of Timut pepper. Good persistence.

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Lawson's Dry Hills Sauvignon Blanc 2017

Marlborough, New Zealand The nose is fruity, aromatic and fresh. It reveals notes of fresh lemon, fresh grapefruit and small notes of zest associated with fine touches of rose, fresh tangerine, nectarine as well as a discreet hint of crunchy pineapple. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good definition, suavity, a fine acid frame, minerality, a small roundness, a small tension, dynamism as well as a small gourmand side. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon, fresh mandarin and small notes of pink grapefruit associated with fine touches of zest as well as hints of quenette and crunchy pineapple. Good length.

Ready to drink / Price : €



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Meukow - Palme d'or - Rarissime Cognac

The nose is fine, elegant and offers gourmandise, Vertde Vin a slight fleshiness as well as a small richness (in ${}^{
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m 18}$ the background). It reveals notes of crystallized lemon, brioche, candied orange and slight notes of white fruits, peach combined with touches of citron, cedar as well as small notes of dried apricot and almond. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, gourmand, finely powerful and offers a beautiful finesse, a beautiful definition, a very beautiful balance as well as delicacy. In the mouth this Cognac expresses notes of candied orange / marmalade, caramelization, brioche, candied lemon and slight notes of quince / pear associated with slight notes of apricot puree, rancio, slight touches of cedar, citron, almond, vanilla Bourbon as well as a very discreet hint of spices / cardamom (on the finish) and an imperceptible hint of black pepper (in the background). Ready to drink / Price : €€€€€€€



Angostura 1824 - Premium Rum - Aged Twelve Years Trinidad & Tobago

The nose is fruity, fine, elegant and relatively gourmand. It reveals notes of yellow raisin and discreet notes of candied clementine zest associated with discreet notes of mirabelle plum jam, slight touches of quince as well as slight notes of caramel, honey, molasses and a hint of vanilla. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, gourmand, suave, powerful and offers a fine and dynamic acid frame. In the mouth this Rum expresses notes of yellow raisin and mirabelle plum jam associated with slight notes of Pomme d'Amour, caramel, pâtisserie as well as discreet

Good length Ready to drink / Price : €€€€





Blair Athol - Limited Edition - Highland, Single Malt Scotch Whisky The nose is aromatic, finely powerful and offers

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a fine delicacy as well as concentration. It reveals notes of honey, cereals and fine touches of kumquat, dried orange / confit associated with a subtle hint of apricot as well as a discreet hint of honey, almond and an imperceptible touch of chocolate. The palate is aromatic, well-balanced, finely powerful and offers roundness, finesse and fat. On the palate, this Whiskey offers notes of honey, candied orange zest, kumquat and fine touches of lemon zest associated with hints of juniper, wood, a discreet grilled hint as well as touches of spices and cedar. Good length and good persistence. There is a hint of caramel on the aftertaste. Ready to drink / Price : €€€€€

Château de Lacquy - 17 ans

Bas-Armagnac

The nose is fine, elegant, gourmand, beautifully built and offers dynamism. It reveals notes of crystallized orange and crystallized lemon combined with hints of crystallized lime zest, vine peach, flowers, crystallized mandarin as well as subtle hints of compoted apple / pear, oak, rancio, subtle hints of Zante currant and very discreet hints of sweet spices. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, beautifully elegant and offers a fine acid frame, a fine juiciness, a beautiful finesse / definition, gourmandise, a fine fleshiness, a fine straightness as well as a beautiful precision. On the palate, this Armagnac expresses notes of crystallized lemon, crystallized tangerine and small notes of pear, vine peach associated with touches of crème brûlée / pâtisseries, quenette, Bourbon vanilla and tonka bean. Good length. Beautiful grain on the finish / persistence.. Ready to drink / Price : $\in \in \in \in \in \in \in$

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Distillerie Garnier Très Vieux Calvados $20 \mathrm{ans}$ Calvados



The nose is aromatic and slightly powerful/concentrated. It reveals notes of cider, quince and small touches of apple cooked with butter associated with hints of green apple, cooked yellow plum as well as subtle hints of spices, cedar wood as well as an imperceptible hint of leather and white pepper (in the background). The palate is fruity, well-balanced, unctuous, suave and offers a slight fleshy, a slight mineral frame, gourmandise, roundness, tension as well as richness. Full of balance ! In the mouth this Calvados expresses notes of cooked yellow plum, cider, yellow apple and more slightly of quince associated with a subtle hint of rancio, leather as well as an imperceptible hint of pepper in the background.

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Ready to drink / Price : €€€€

Maison Gautier - 1755 Extra Cognac

The nose is aromatic, fruity, complex, elegant, finely charming and offers a beautiful finesse as well as a small complexity. It reveals notes of citron and dried orange and small notes of crystallized tangerine, dried zests of mandarin, tobacco / cigar, brioche, dried apple / dried peach combined with small touches of white flowers / flowers peach, rancio, a hint of Timut pepper as well as a discreet hint of spices, cardamom and a subtle / imperceptible grilled hint (in the background). The palate is fruity, beautifully balanced, elegant and offers a slight acid frame, a slight minerality, a beautiful guideline, a beautiful definition, a slight juiciness, gourmandise as well as a beautiful finesse.

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Champagne

Champagne Georges Vesselle 2012 - Grand Cru -Brut Nature

The nose is fresh, fruity and offers a fine juiciness. It reveals notes of juicy apple and vine peach combined with touches of lemon, juicy pineapple and discreet hints of beeswax. The palate is fruity, fine, elegant, well-balanced and offers a beautiful acid frame, a racy / chalky minerality, gourmandise as well as a beautiful structure. The effervescence is fine, elegant, delicate and offers an airy side. On the palate this Champagne expresses notes of juicy lemon and pineapple associated with small notes of Granny Smith apple, beeswax, mirabelle plum, almond, grilled / toasted bread and an imperceptible touch of hazelnut (in the background). Good length and good persistence. Fine chews on the persistence. Score : 16.25/20 (92-93/100)

Champagne Georges Vesselle - Blanc de Blancs -Grand Cru - Extra Brut

The nose is elegant, gourmand and slightly creamy. It reveals notes of toasted bread / almond and lemon associated with small notes of egg cream, chalk and apple. The palate is fruity, fine, elegant, well-balanced and offers a fine tension as well as a fine suavity. The effervescence is very fine, elegant and precise. On the palate this Champagne expresses notes of ripe lemon, ripe / fleshy brugnon and small notes of Granny Smith apple, toasted bread associated with discreet touches of chalk, pear, lime zest as well as a subtle hint of egg cream. Good length and good persistence. Score : 16/20 (92/100)

Champagne Georges Vesselle - Blanc de Noirs -Grand Cru - Extra Brut

The nose is fresh, fruity and elegant. It reveals notes of egg cream, pear and quince associated with subtle hints of small white fruits as well as hints of mirabelle plum, almond and sweet spices. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, juicy, dynamic and offers finesse, precision as well as a fine airy side. The effervescence is fine, (very) slightly creamy and elegant. On the palate this wine expresses notes of quince, lemon zest and small notes of small yellow fruits associated with discreet hints of white fruits, oak, toasted bread as well as a subtle hint of meringue and with an imperceptible hint of cocoa.

Score : 16.25/20 (92-93/100)

Champagne Bruno Paillard - Première Cuvée -Extra Brut

(disgorgement 10/2017) The nose is fruity and racy (limestone). It reveals notes of fresh lemon, limestone and small notes of fresh apple associated with discreet hints of pear and an imperceptible touch of brioche. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, racy and offers a beautiful acid frame, a beautiful suavity, roundness, a beautiful definition, a fine fat as well as tension. The effervescence is fine, dynamic and (very) slightly creamy. On the palate this wine expresses notes of lemon, zest and small notes of fresh tangerine associated with touches of Granny Smith apple, fine touches of pear, limestone as well as a very discreet hint of apricot and brioche. Good length and good persistence.

Score : 15.5+/20 (91/100)

Champagne Laurent Lequart - Pure Meunier, Prestige - Extra Brut

The nose is fruity and offers a fine intensity. It reveals notes of ripe lemon and quince associated with small notes of pear, small yellow fruits as well as hints of honey, beeswax and a very discreet hint of fresh almond. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, slightly gourmand and offers a good definition, volume, elegance, a beautiful acid frame as well as a good guideline. The effervescence is very fine. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon, ripe quince and small notes of beeswax associated with touches of juicy pineapple, juicy yellow fruits as well as hints of biscuit / brioche, almond and toasted hints. Good length. Good persistence with hints of almond and biscuit.

Score : 15.25+/20 (90-91/100)

Champagne Laurent Lequart - Blanc de Meunier, Brut Nature

The nose is aromatic and slightly gourmand. It reveals notes of egg cream, apple and small notes of lemon associated with slight hints of pear and a discreet hint of papaya. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers finesse, precision, a small suavity, a fine mineral frame, volume as well as a very fine grain. The effervescence is well-built. On the palate this Champagne expresses notes of ripe lemon, ripe apple and small notes of pear associated with small touches of quince, apricot as well as slight hints of racy minerality and a very discreet hint of meringue (in background). Good length and persistence. There are toasted hints and almond on the persistence. Score : 15/20 (89-90/100)

Champagne Laurent Lequart - Blanc de Noirs, Brut Nature

The nose is fruity and offers fine juiciness and elegance. It reveals notes of small yellow fruits, juicy citrus fruits and fine touches of pear associated with small hints of quince, mirabelle plum, grape and discreet hints of meringue. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good definition, fine tension, straightness, freshness as well as a beautiful definition and volume. The effervescence is well-built. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon, quince and small notes of mirabelle plum associated with fine hints of pineapple, juicy mandarin as well as discreet hints of brioche / almond and an imperceptible touch of beeswax. Score : 15.25 + /20 (90-91/100)

Champagne Christian Briard - Cuvée N

Champagne Christian Briard - Cuvée Maurice Romelot - Extra-Brut

The nose is fruity, fine and offers a fine freshness. It reveals notes of ripe lemon, quince and small notes of fresh pear associated with touches of flowers as well as discreet hints of brioche, juicy pineapple and racy minerality. The palate is fruity, elegant, beautifully gourmande, well defined and offers fleshiness. The effervescence is well built. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of quince, apricot, lemon and small notes of pear associated with fine touches of white fruits, flowers and juicy pineapple / lychee. Good length.

Score : 16 + 20(92 - 93/100)

Champagne Philipponnat - Royale Réserve, Non Dosé

(65% Pinot Noir, 30% Chardonnay, 5% Meunier, harvest 2013 harvest. Disgorgement 09/2017. 30% Reserve Wine) The nose is elegant, fruity and offers precision, complexity as well as a small depthness. It reveals notes of crunchy pear, lemon and flowers (hawthorn...) associated with small hints of exotic fruit, apricot and slight hints of limestone. The mouth is elegant, juicy, gourmande, beautifully defined, beautifully built and offers a fine acid frame as well as liveliness. The effervescence is fine, elegant, slightly creamy as well as slightly airy. On the palate this Champagne expresses notes of pear, eggs cream as well as discreet hints of limestone and imperceptible hint of flowers. Very discreet tannic sensation on the finish. Score : 16.5/20 (93/100)

Champagne Guy Larmandier - Cramant - Grand Cru - Extra-Brut

The nose is aromatic, elegant and racy. It reveals notes of crunchy nectarine, pear and small notes of citrus (lemon ...) associated with small touches of egg cream and an imperceptible hint of apple. The palate is fruity, precise and offers fat, volume, a good definition as well as a small suavity. The effervescence is well-built. On the palate this Champagne expresses notes of crunchy pear, apple associated with small notes of lemon, nectarine as well as a very discreet hint of quenette, racy minerality and egg cream. Good length.

Score : 15.75/20 (91-92/100)

Champagne J. De Telmont - L.D Blanc de Blancs -Brut Nature

(Harvest 2008. Disgorgement 11/2017) The nose is fruity, racy and well-built. It reveals notes of limestone, lemon, crushed apple and small notes of quince associated with slight hints of beeswax as well as discreet hints of brioche. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers suavity, a small fat, precision, a small straightness, a beautiful juiciness as well as a fine acidulous / juicy frame. The effervescence is very fine and well-built. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe / juicy lemon, apple and small notes of vine peach associated with slight touches of papaya, juicy mandarin, pineapple as well as discreet hints of beeswax / brioche and an imperceptible hint of almond (in the background). Very discreet tannic sensation / chew on the finish. Score : 15.75/20 (91-92/100)

Champagne Henriet-Bazin - Blanc de Noirs - Grand Cru, Extra-Brut

The nose is fruity, elegant and offers a fine richness. It reveals notes of crushed peach,

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apple and small notes of lemon associated with fine touches of lychee, limestone, a discreet hint of mirabelle plum as well as very discreet hints of vanilla and an imperceptible touch of almond. The palate is fruity, juicy, well-balanced, elegant, precise and offers suavity, a small gourmandise, a fine tension, a good structure, a small acid frame, a racy minerality as well as freshness. The effervescence is elegant and wellbuilt. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy yellow fruits, juicy mirabelle plum and small notes of juicy citrus associated with fine touches of pear as well as slight hints of peach and discreet hints of almond (in the background). Score : 16+/20 (92-93/100)

Champagne Michel Hoerter - Carte Noire - Extra-Brut

The nose is fruity, slightly creamy and offers a fine complexity. It reveals notes of crushed pear, crushed apple and small notes of nectarine, mirabelle plum associated with slight touches of flowers as well as discreet hints of eggs cream and a very discreet hint of hazelnut. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good definition, finesse, suppleness, a (very) slight juiciness as well as fleshiness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of pear, crushed nectarine and small notes of litchi, flowers, vanilla associated with small toasted touches as well as a very discreet hint of hazelnut, almond and an imperceptible touch of dark chocolate. Good length. Score : 15.25/20 (90/100)

Champagne Henriet-Bazin - Blanc de Blancs - Premier Cru, Extra-Brut

The nose is fruity, slightly creamy and offers a fine concentration. It reveals notes of pear, crushed Brugnon and small notes of pineapple associated with small touches of fresh lemon, meringue as well as discreet hints of brioche and an imperceptible touch of egg cream. The palate is fruity, mineral and offers a small juiciness, finesse, straightness, precision, a fine tension as well as a good structure. The effervescence is well-built. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy lemon and small notes of juicy peach associated with small touches of pineapple, quince, a discreet hint of apricot, grapes as well as subtle hints of brioche (in background) and egg cream. Score : 16.25+/20 (93/100)

Champagne Henriet-Bazin - Millésime 2009 - Brut Nature, Premier Cru

ESSÔMES-SUR-MARNE The nose is fresh, fruity, elegant and well defined. It reveals notes of quince, mirabelle plum and small notes of necta-PRODUIT DE FRANCE rine associated with small hints of vanilla, brioche and discreet hints of fresh almonds. The palate is fresh, fruity, mineral, well-balanced, racy and offers a (very) slight acid frame, precision, finesse, a (very) slight creaminess as well as a slight straightness. The effervescence is elegant. On the palate this wine expresses notes of quince, mirabelle plum and small notes of apple associated with small touches of nectarine, lemon as well as hints of almond, toasted hints and a very discreet hint of fresh hazelnut. Good length and good persistence. Very fine chews on the finish. Score : 16/20 (92/100)

Champagne J. Telmont - Sans Soufre ajouté - Brut

The nose is fruity and offers a small fleshiness. It reveals notes of ripe nectarine, grape and quince associated with discreet hints of apricot, citrus as well as a discreet hint of flowers and an imperceptible touch of butter. The palate is fruity, gourmande, wellbuilt and offers fat, a small suavity, depthness, generosity, fat, a small dynamism, a fine acid frame as well as a good guideline. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed apple, brugnon and pear associated with small touches of vanilla, citrus, ripe / fleshy apricot as well as slight toasted hints / almond (in the background). Good and gourmande persistence with touches of vanilla, almond and sweet spices. Score : 15.25/20 (90/100)

Champagne Waris-Larmandier - Particules Crayeuses - Extra-Brut - Grand Cru

(Blancs de Blanc) The nose is fruity, gourmand and offers elegance. It reveals notes of pear, chalk and small notes of ripe citrus (tangerine, lemon) combined with fine touches of quenette, a discreet hint of peach as well as an imperceptible touch of

papaya / apple and vanilla /almond. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, racy and offers good definition, finesse, generosity, a small suavity, a fine acid frame (in the background), a good structure as well as a beautiful grain. On the palate this Champagne expresses notes of juicy nectarine, pear and small notes of apple associated with small touches of lemon as well as discreet hints of flowers, juicy apricot, racy minerality and a very discreet hint of zests (in the background). Good length. Score : 16/20(92/100)

Champagne Le Brun de Neuville - Blanc de Blancs - Extra-Brut

The nose is fruity and mineral. It reveals notes of apple and fresh citrus associated with small hints of apricot, quince as well as discreet hints of zest and discreet toasted hints / almond. The palate is fruity, mineral, well-balanced and offers suavity, a fine acidulous frame, juiciness as well as a racy minerality. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon, green apple and small notes of quince associated with slight hints of zest as well as discreet hints of chalk and almond. Good length. Score : 14.75+/20 (89/100)

Champagne Xavier Alexandre - Authentic'A -Extra-Brut - Premier Cru

The nose is elegant. It reveals notes of almond, ripe citrus and small hints of apricot associated with a discreet hint of egg cream. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers precision, elegance, straightness, juiciness as well as an acid frame. The effervescence is slightly creamy. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy lemon, juicy peach and small notes of almond associated with small touches of apple as well as discreet toasted hints.

Score : 15.25/20 (90/100)

Champagne Drappier - Grande Sendrée 2008 - Brut

The nose is fruity, creamy, elegant and offers a fine juiciness. It reveals notes of lemon, apple and small notes of flowers associated with discreet hints of peach, lemon cream, meringue and spices. The palate is fruity, wellbalanced and offers a good definition, a beautiful acid frame, a small creaminess, a beautiful finesse as well as a beautiful definition. The effervescence is very fine, dynamic and elegant. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon, vine peach and small notes of apple associated with slight touches of apricot, crunchy white fruits as well as a very discreet hint of mandarin and an imperceptible toasted / oaky touch. Very discreet tannic hint on the finish.

Score : 17/20 (94/100)

Champagne André et Michel Drappier -Rosé Nature - Zero Dosage

The nose is fresh and (very) slightly creamy. It reveals notes of fresh raspberry, apple and small notes of flowers, fresh redcurrants associated with slight hints of lemon, lemon zest and chalk. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, precise and offers finesse, a (very) slight suavity as well as dynamism. Beautiful, very fine, elegante and (very) slightly creamy effervescence. In the mouth this Champagne expresses notes of raspberry, fresh redcurrants and fresh green apple associated with fine touches of lemon as well as a discreet hint of juicy mandarin, fleshy vine peach and chalk. Good length. Score : 16/20(92/100)

Champagne Bruno Paillaird - Rosé Première Cuvée - Extra-Brut

(Disgorgement 09/2017) The nose is fresh and offers minerality and finesse. It reveals notes of fresh lime and fresh raspberry associated with slight hints of apple, fresh flowers and discreet hints of cherry. The mouth is juicy, fruity, fresh, well-balanced and offers minerality, a beautiful definition as well as a small freshness. The effervescence is fine, elegant and (very) slightly creamy. On the palate this Champagne expresses notes of fresh apple, fresh nectarine, fresh lemon and small notes of pineapple associated with slight hints of tangerines, chalk and discreet hints of fresh raspberry.

Score: 15.5+/20 (91/100)



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Château La Garde 2015

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The nose is fruity and offers a fine minerality and a fine concentration. It reveals notes of cassis, blackberry and strawberry combined with small touches of berries, spices, zan and a very discreet hint of Sichuan pepper. The palate is fruity, fresh, mineral, well-balanced, racy and offers a (very) slight unctuosity, tension, a small gournandise, a fine concentration, a fine acid frame as well as a good guideline. On the palate this wine expresses notes of blackberry, cassis and small notes of black cherry associated with small touches of red berries, licorice, chocolate, toasted oak as well as discreet hints of sweet spices on the finish. Tannins are fine and a bit firm. Good length. There is a hint of caramelization on the persistence.

Score : 15.25+/20 (90-91/100)

Château de France 2015

Pessac-Léognan

The nose is fruity, well-structured and racy. It reveals notes of cassis, crushed raspberry and crushed blackberry combined with small notes of terroir/gravels as well as hints of spices and a touch of Sichuan pepper. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, suave, gourmande and offers a good definition, silkiness as well as a beautiful juicy / acidulous frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of black cherry, raspberry and juicy / fresh blackberry associated with small touches of crushed cassis as well as hints of gravels, spices, toasted hints and chocolate / vanilla. Tannins are fine and (very) slightly firm. Good length. There is a hint of liquorice on the persistence. A beautiful, juicy and gourmand wine !

Score : 16/20 (92/100)

Château Larrivet Haut-Brion 2015

Pessac-Léognan

The nose is well-structured, precise and offers elegance. The wine needs to be decanted. It reveals notes of blackberry, cassis and fleshy strawberry associated with fine touches of violet, licorice, crushed raspberry as well as a very discreet hint of pepper. The palate is fruity, mineral, well-balanced and offers finesse, a fine tension, suavity, gournandise, elegance as well as a good definition. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy blackberry, juicy raspberry and small notes of fleshy cassis associated with slight hints of of blueberry, gravels, toasted oak as well as a very discreet hint of tonka bean and vanilla. Tannins are fine and well-built. Good length and good persistence. Score : 16.5/20 (93/100)

Château Olivier 2015

Pessac-Léognan, Grand Cru Classé

The nose is racy, fruity, elegant and offers a good structure. The wine need to be put in carafe. It reveals notes of crushed blackberry, crushed strawberry and small notes of cassis combined with a touch of crushed blueberry, touches of licorice, violet as well as a discreet hint of tea, sweet spices, Cuben pepper and chocolate. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, fresh, mineral, elegant, (very) slightly tight and offers a beautiful finesse of the grain, a fine mineral frame, juiciness as well as a beautiful definition. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy blackberry, crushed raspberry and small notes of juicy berries associated with touches of crushed cassis, toasted touches, vanilla, chocolate and an imperceptible touch of caramelization. Tannins are fine, elegant and precise. Good length.

Score : 16.75/20 (93-94/100)

Château Léognan 2015

Pessac-Léognan

The nose is aromatic and elegant. The wine needs to be put in carafe. It reveals notes of cassis, wild strawberry and small fruits / wild berries associated with touches of terroir/gravels, Sichuan pepper, a very discreet hint of flowers, spices as well as an imperceptible touch of nutmeg and vanilla. The palate is fruity, silky, well-balanced, suave, straight, precise, well-built and offers a small juiciness, harmony, a fine freshness, a fine acid frame as well as finesse / straightness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy blackberry, raspberry and small notes of cherry associated with slight hints of strawberry, berries, zan, flowers, discreet hints of sweet spices as well as an imperceptible hint of chocolate and ripe almond. Tannins are fine and structuring. (2019+)

Score : 16.25/20 (92-93/100)

Château Bacalan 2015 Pessac-Léognan

The nose is fruity and offers a small concentration. It reveals notes of blackberry, crushed cassis and small notes of berries associated with touches of cassis bud / pepper as well as small touches of bass, graphite and spices. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a small juiciness, an acid frame, tension as well as a fine suavity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of cassis, wild berries and small notes of crunchy redcurrants associated with small touches of flowers, cassis bud / bulb as well as fine hints of gravels, graphite, licorice and spices. Tannins are (very) slightly dried and firm. Score : 14.5/20 (88/100)

Château Haut-Brana 2015

Pessac-Léognan

The nose is fruity, fresh and offers a fine concentration as well as a fine minerality. It reveals notes of cassis and crunchy berries associated with touches of blackberry, strawberry, slight touches of cassis bud as well as a hint of Sichuan pepper and an imperceptible hint of zan. The palate is fruity, balanced, juicy, well-built and offers straightness, acidity as well as tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of raspberry, blackberry and small notes of berries / redcurrants associated with small touches of bulb / flowers as well as discreet hints of spices and an imperceptible hint of Sichuan pepper. Good length. There is a very discreet hint of crushed hazelnut on the finish / persistence. Score : 14.75 + /20 (89/100)

Château d'Eck 2015 Pessac-Léognan

The nose is fruity and offers a fine fleshiness. It reveals notes of fleshy cassis and small notes of blackberry, small red berries associated with touches of violet, graphite as well as with slight hints of sweet spices as well as an imperceptible hint of tonka bean. The palate is fruity, mineral, well-balanced and offers gourmandise, juiciness, fleshiness, a small tension, suavity as well as a fine acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy cassis, fleshy strawberry and small notes of crushed red berries associated with fine touches of violet, cassis bud, very fine touches of chocolate (in the background) as well as discreet toasted hints, graphite and an imperceptible touch of vanilla. Tannins are fine and a bit firm. Good length. Score: 15/20 (89-90/100)

Château d'Eyran 2015 Pessac-Léognan

The nose offers concentration. The wine nees to be put in carafe. It reveals notes of cassis, wild berries and small notes of crunchy strawberry associated with small touches of cassis bud as well as small hints of dark chocolate and discreet hints of toasted / caramelized oak. The palate is fruity, mineral, wellbalanced and offers a fine tension, suavity, a small fat as well as a fine freshness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy cassis, black cherry and small note of juicy berries associated with fine touches of chocolate, toasted / caramelized oak and a very discreet hint of hazelnut (in the background) and an imperceptible hint of cassis bud. Tannins are a bit firm. Good length. The finish is slightly gourmande.

Score : 14.75+/20 (89/100)

Château Haut-Bacalan 2015 Pessac-Léognan

The nose is aromatic and offers a beautiful grain, gourmandise as well as a fine density. The wine needs to be put in carafe. It reveals notes of blackberry, crunchy strawberry and small notes of fleshy cassis associated with hints of Sichuan pepper, flowers, spices and an imperceptible hint of camphor. The palate is fruity, juicy, fleshy, well-balanced, racy and offers gourmandise, generosity, a fine suavity, a fine mineral frame as well as a (very) slight acidity (in the background). On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy blackberry,

Pessac-Léognan

fleshy strawberry and small notes of raspberry associated with fine touches of juicy cherry, juicy blueberry, vanilla, fine toasted touches, colas and an imperceptible touch of cardamom. Tannins are fine and well-built. There is a very discreet hint of crushed hazelnut on the persistence. Score : $15.25 \pm 20 (90-91/100)$

Château Les Carmes Haut-Brion 2015 Pessac-Léognan

The nose is fruity, elegant, complex, precise and offers a fine juiciness, a fine minerality as well as a (very) slight power (in the background). It reveals notes of blackberry, cassis, wild strawberry and small notes of black cherry associated with small touches of fleshy raspberry as well as discreet hints of gray pepper, spices, flowers, camphor and nutmeg. The palate is fruity, juicy, (very) slightly tight, silky, elegant, precise, complex and offers minerality, a beautiful fineness of the grain, an aerial side, a fine depthness, suavity, a beautiful finesse as well as a good structure. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe cassis, blackberry and small notes of red berries, strawberry associated with small touches of liquorice, toasted oak, hazelnut, a very discreet hint of caramelization, flowers / bulb as well as an imperceptible hint of coffee, camphor and salinity (in the background). Tannins are fine, elegant, precise and structuring. The finish is finely powerful. Beautiful aromatic persistence. Score : 17+/20 (94-95/100)

WHITE WINES

Château La Louvière 2015

Pessac-Léognan

The nose is fruity and offers a fine intensity as well as a fine delicacy. The wine needs to be decanted. It reveals notes of nectarine, pear and small notes of lemon, citrus associated with small touches of minerality as well as a very discreet hint of apple, quenette and imperceptible toasted hints. The palate is fruity, beautifuly balanced, gourmande, fat, suave and offers a beautiful acidulous frame, minerality, a good definition as well as harmony. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed nectarine and juicy pear associated with small notes of quince, citrus fruit as well as fine touches of ripe quenette / pineapple and discreet hints of toasted oak. Good length. Score : 15.75/20 (91-92/100)

Château La Garde 2015 Pessac-Léognan

The nose is fruity and offers a fine freshness as well as a certain complexity. The wine needs to be put in carafe. It reveals notes of lemon, tangerine mesocarp and apple associated with fine touches of crushed nectarine as well as small hints of fresh yellow fruits and a discreet hint of flowers. The palate is fruity, juicy, fresh, well-balanced and offers a beautiful juiciness, an acidulous frame, suavity, gourmandise as well as a good structure. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe apple, crushed peach and ripe lemon combined with touches of ripe tangerine, citrus mesocarp, subtle hints of ripe pineapple as well as discreet hints of fleshy small yellow fruits and discreet toasted hints. Good length.

Score : 15.25/20 (90/100)

Château Larrivet Haut-Brion 2015 Pessac-Léognan

The nose is fruity and offers juiciness, elegance and a small gourmandise. It reveals notes of ripe / juicy peach, juicy apple and citrus (lemon, mandarin) combined with small notes of minerality, exotic fruits as well as a very discreet hint of yuzu. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, well-built and offers a good definition, a beautiful acidulous frame, juiciness, precision, a small gourmandise, finesse as well as a small tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon, juicy/ripe mandarin and small notes of vine peach associated with small touches of pineapple, quenette, apple as well as a very discreet hint of passion fruit and to an imperceptible toasted touch. Good length. A beautiful wine !

Score : 16+/20 (92-93/100)



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WHITE BOURGOGNE

Vignerons de Mancey -Cuvée Les Classiques 2016 Chardonnay - Bourgogne

The nose is fruity and offers a fine freshness as well as a very fine juiciness (in the background). It reveals notes of lemon, apple and small notes of juicy white nectarine associated with subtle hints of lime, quince and a very discreet / imperceptible hint of almond. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a fine suavity, a fine freshness, a good juiciness, softness and a fine acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy lemon and quince associated with small notes of fleshy Brugnon, fleshy / juicy mirabelle plum as well as subtle hints of beeswax, tangerine and almond. Good length. Score : 15/20 (89-90/100)

CHABLIS & GRAND AUXERROIS

Durup 2016 Petit Chablis

The nose is fruity and offers a very fine concentration / intensity. It reveals notes of juicy lemon and crushed white fruit combine with a hint of quince and slight hints of vanilla. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, mineral and offers a good definition, a fine juicy frame, a small fat, a beautiful freshness as well as a fine acidity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy apple, juicy peach and small notes of lemon associated with a touch of zest, hints of racy minerality as well as a very discreet hint of quince and mirabelle plum (in the background). Good length. Score : 15/20 (89-90/100)

Domaine Fèvre 2017 Chablis

The nose offers a fine intensity and a beautiful freshness. It reveals notes of juicy / ripe lemon, racy minerality and fresh zest combined with small notes of juicy white fruit as well as touches of juicy mirabelle plum and a subtle hint of white flowers. The palate is fruity, juicy, suave, fresh and offers dynamism, a good definition, a fine acid frame, a racy minerality as well as a beautiful roundness / fat. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon, juicy tangerine and brugnon compote combined with fine touches of apple and a very discreet touch of fleshy yellow fruits, flowers and an imperceptible hint of green almond (background). Good length and good persistence. There is a very fine suavity / toasted touch on the finish / persistence. Score : 15.75/20 (91-92/100)

Durup 2017 Chablis

The nose is fresh, fruity and offers a fine intensity. It reveals notes of green apple, racy minerality and small notes of fresh fruit combined with varietal touches / bulb as well as slight hints of of fresh citrus. The palate is fruity, juicy, well-balanced and offers good definition, a fine juicy frame, a fine acidity as well as a good structure. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy apple, fleshy pear and small notes of litchi associated with slight / discreet touches of citrus as well as a hint of mirabelle plum, fresh almond, a toasted hint and an imperceptible varietal hint (in the background / on the finish). Score : 14.75/20 (88-89/100)

Domaine Laroche - Saint Martin 2017 Chablis

The nose is fruity, juicy, gourmand, elegant and offers precision. It offers notes of crushed pear and fleshy peach associated with small notes of quince, racy minerality as well as a discreet touches of citrus and an imperceptible / delicate hint of pepper (in the background). The palate is fruity, well-balanced, juicy, precise, racy and offers a good definition, an acid frame as well as tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy green apple, juicy brugnon and small notes of quince, racy minerality associated with touches of juicy lemon, juicy mirabelle plum as well as a touch of quenette and an imperceptible touch of zests (in the background). Good length and good persistence. There is an imperceptible touch of almond on the aftertaste (brings a discreet chews). Score : 15.75/20 (91-92/100)

Laroche - Les Chanoines 2017 Chablis

The nose is fruity and offers elegance as well as fleshiness. It reveals notes of crushed pear, quince and small notes of juicy blackberry combined with a touch of crushed vine peach, a discreet hint of beeswax as well as an imperceptible hint of flowers and almonds. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, racy, precise, mineral, chiseled and offers a good definition, a beautiful acid / acidulous frame as well as a chiseled juiciness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy ripe lemon, juicy quince and small notes of vine peach combined with touches of juicy / ripe Granny Smith apple, a discreet hint of pear, beeswax as well as an imperceptible hint of flowers and almonds. Good length. Score : 15.25/20 (90/100)

Domaine des Malandes 2017 Chablis

The nose is fruity, fleshy and slightly powerful / intense. It reveals notes of ripe / juicy apple, lemon, white flowers and small notes of racy minerality associated with discreet touches of fresh mirabelle plum and an imperceptible toasted touch / beeswax. The palate is fruity, juicy, well-balanced, beautifuly suave, straight, precise and offers a mineral frame, tension, a fine acidity as well as a good freshness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe/fleshy apple, ripe / juicy peach and small notes of ripe / juicy lemon associated with slight hints of litchi as well as a very discreet hint of mirabelle plum and white flowers. Good length.

flowers. Good length. Score : 15.25 + /20 (90-91/100)

Sylvain Mosnier - Vieilles Vignes 2016 Chablis

The nose is fruity, racy and offers a fine concentration. It reveals notes of citrus and small notes of quince associated with fine touches of zest as well as a very discreet hint of mirabelle plum and minerality. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a racy minerality, roundness, a certain finesse as well as a very fine grain. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy apple, fleshy brugnon and small notes of ripe / juicy citrus (quince, lemon ...) associated with small touches of lychee, juicy mirabelle plum as well as hints of racy minerality and an imperceptible hint of ripe almond (in the background). Good length.

Score : 15.25/20 (90/100)

Domaine Ventoura 2016 Chablis

The nose is racy, fruity and offers a racy minerality and a good structure. It reveals notes of brugnon, quince and small notes of apple, limestone associated with discreet hints of fleshy small yellow fruits. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good definition, a fine mineral frame, precision, a fine grain, a fine suavity as well as a good structure. On the palate this wine expresses notes of brugnon, quince and small notes of litchi associated with touches of apple as well as discreet hints of citrus and crunchy pear. Good length.

Score : 15+/20 (89-90/100)

Closerie des Alisiers - Vieilles Vignes 2017 Chablis

The nose is fruity and offers a fine juiciness as well as a small crunchiness. It reveals notes of peach, pear and small notes of citrus associated with small touches of racy minerality. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, juicy and offers a beautiful acid frame, a fine grain as well as a fine gourmandise. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crunchy brugnon, vine peach and small notes of lemon associated with fine touches of juicy apple, zest as well as discreet hints of quince and almond. Good length.

Score : 15+/20 (89-90/100)

J. Moreau & Fils 2016 Chablis

The nose is fruity, mineral and racy. It reveals notes of citrus, limestone and small notes of white fruits (apple, nectarine) associated with a hint of crunchy pineapple, beeswax and spices. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, racy and offers a good definition, juiciness, suavity, roundness as well as a small ten-

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sion. On the palate this wine expresses notes of lemon / mandarin, crunchy nectarine and small notes of apple, limestone associated with small touches of zest as well as a very discreet hint of quince and honey. Good length. Score : 14.75 ± 20 (89/100)

Domaine Laroche - Les Blanchots 2016 Chablis Grand Cru

The nose is fruity, fleshy and offers gourmandise as well as a fine richness. It reveals notes of ripe vine peach, apple and small notes of quince associated with small hints of citrus, litchi and very discreet hints of almond / butter. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, racy and offers a good definition, a beautiful suavity, a fine acid frame, gourmandise, straightness, a racy minerality, precision, a small dynamism, a fine juiciness, a good roundness as well as elegance. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon, fleshy peach / brugnon, fleshy pear and small notes of apple associated with a discreet hint of mandarin, zest, beeswax, almond as well as a very discreet hint of butter on the finish. Good length and good persistence. There is a very discreet hint of almond on the aftertaste (brings a discreet chew).

Score : 16/20 (92/100)

J. Moreau & Fils Valmur 2016 Chablis Grand Cru

The nose is fruity. It reveals notes of quince, crushed mirabelle plum and small notes of butter associated with small touches of crushed white fruit and a very discreet hint of honey. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, suave and offers a good definition, roundness, tension, a fine acid frame, a racy minerality,

freshness as well as a (very) slightly tight grain. On the palate this wine expresses notes of quince, crushed mirabelle plum and small notes of crunchy brugnon associated with fine touches of citrus and honey. Good length. There is an imperceptible touch of ripe almond on the persistence.

Score : 15+/20 (89-90/100)

Domaine Laroche Les Fourchaumes 2015, Vieilles Vignes Chablis Premier Cru

The nose is aromatic, elegant and offers

finesse. It reveals notes of white fruit, toasted bread and minerality associated with fine hints of zest, quince, citrus as well as a subtle hint of small yellow fruits / beeswax (in the background) and a discreet hint of vanilla / butter. The mouth is fruity, fresh, juicy, well-balanced and offers a good definition, a beautiful precision, finesse, a small gourmandise as well as a fine straightness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy quince, juicy tangerine, juicy lemon, vine peach and small notes of pear associated with a discreet touch of exotic fruits as well as hints of butter / vanilla. Good length and good persistence.

Score : 16+/20 (92-93/100)

Simonnet - Febvre - Fourchaume 2015 Chablis Premier Cru

The nose is fruity, mineral, racy, fresh and offers a fine intensity. It reveals notes of lemon, fresh pear and small notes of apple, minerality associated with fine touches of zest, fleshy white fruits as well as discreet hints of quince, tangerine zest and an imperceptible hint of beeswax. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, suave, elegant and offers a good definition, a beautiful mineral frame, a fine acidity, a beautifuk fat / roundness, tension, softness, a small dynamism, precision as well as an aerial side. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed Brugnon, crushed pear and small notes of citrus associated with discreet hints of mandarin zest, quince and an imperceptible hint of beeswax. Good length. The finish is slightly powerful. Score : 16+/20 (92-93/100)

Domaine Fèvre - Les Preuses 2016 Chablis Grand Cru

The nose is fruity, elegant, racy and offers delicacy as well as a fine intensity. It reveals notes of lemon and fleshy brugnon associated with small notes of pear, quince as well as discreet hints of zest, racy minerality and an imperceptible toasted touch / vanilla. The mouth is fresh, suave, gourmande, elegant, harmonious, racy, very slightly tight and offers finesse, a racy minerality, a small fat, dynamism, a beautiful acid frame, tension, precision as well as a fine straightness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed Brugnon and crushed ripe apple combined with small notes of ripe citrus, quenette as well as discreet touches of fresh pineapple, crushed pear, racy / calcareous minerality and an imperceptible touch of almond. Good length and good persistence.

Score : 16.25+/20 (93/100)

Durup - Fourchaume 2016 Chablis Premier Cru

The nose is aromatic. It needs to be put in carafe. It reveals notes of flowers (lilac ...) and citrus associated with touches of quince, racy minerality and a discreet hint of white fruit (in the background) and beeswax. The palate is fruity, juicy, well-balanced, mineral, aerial and offers precision, fat, suavity, roundness, freshness, a fine juiciness as well as a mineral frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of brugnon, pear and small notes of apple, lychee associated with fine hints of quince, beeswax, racy minerality as well as a discreet hint of passion fruit / quenette and an imperceptible varietal hint / bulb. Good length.

Score : $15.25 \pm 20 (90-91/100)$

Domaine Fèvre -Vaulorent 2016 Chablis Premier Cru

The nose is fresh, mineral, elegant and offers intensity. The wine wins to be decanted. There are notes of fresh lemon and apple associated with small notes of quince, racy minerality as well as small touches of white flowers and very discreet spikes of almond / butter. The palate is fruity, balanced, precise, straight, elegant, racy, delicate and offers a good definition, a fine acid frame, freshness

and juiciness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon, ripe brulee and slightly crushed apple associated with fine touches of quince, exotic fruit tips (quenette ...) and a very discreet touch of mirabelle plum, beeswax and almond. Good length.

Score : 15.75/20 (91-92/100)

Domaine des Malandes - Vau de Vey 2016 Chablis Premier Cru

The nose is fruity, elegant, racy and offers a fine grain. The wine needs to be decanted. It reveals notes of brugnon and fresh pear associated with fine notes of citrus, crushed apple, mirabelle plum, beeswax as well as an imperceptible touch of flowers and vanilla. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, precise and offers a fine minerality, a beautiful suavity, a small unctuosity, tension, straightness, elegance, an aerial side as well as a beautiful juiciness and delicacy. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed Brugnon, crushed pear and small notes of apple, quince associated with hints of citrus (tangerine, pink grapefruit), butter and a discreet hint of beeswax. Good length. Score : 16.5/20 (93/100)

Domaine des Malandes - Côte de léchet 2015 Chablis Premier Cru

The nose is fine, elegant, racy, very discreetly tight and offers a small fleshiness, a fine intensity as well as a beautiful grain / texture. It reveals notes of crushed apple, fleshy pear and small notes of nectarine associated with touches of racy minerality, juicy lemon as well as an imperceptible touch of mandarin, fresh quince and almond. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, ele-



gant, racy, very slightly tight and offers a good definition, a beautiful structure, a small juiciness, a good volume, precision, straightness, a good finesse as well as gourmandise. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy brugnon, apple and small notes of fleshy vine peach associated with fine touches of citrus (lemon, mandarin), quince as well as a very discreet hint of ripe grapefruit, litchi and an imperceptible toasted hint / butter. Score : 16.25/20 (92-93/100)

Louis Robin - Vaucoupin 2016 **Chablis Premier Cru**

The nose is fruity, elegant, gourmand and offers a fine intensity as well as finesse. It reveals notes of lychee, apple and quince associated with touches of rose, citrus as well as a very discreet hint of vine peach and mandarin zest. The palate is fruity, mineral (racy minerality), well-balanced, elegant, racy, complex and offers precision, tension, finesse, a beautiful roundness, a beautiful finesse of the grain, a beautiful guideline as well as a beautiful definition. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon, ripe quince and crushed brugnon combined with small notes of pear as well as discreet hints of quenette, juicy mirabelle and an imperceptible hint of flowers. Good length. Score : 16.5+/20 (93-94/100)

Louis Robin-Vosgros 2016 Chablis Premier Cru

The nose is fruity, elegant, racy and offers a beautiful definition and a beauti-

ful finesse. It reveals notes of lychee, apple and small notes of quince, peach associated with discreet touches of citrus fruit as well as subtle hints of passion fruit and racy minerality. The palate is fruity, wellbalanced and offers a good definition, a fine acid frame, a racy minerality (beautiful minerality !), a melodious side as well as a fine chiseled side. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon, litchi and green apple associated with small notes of quince as well as discreet hints of flowers, racy minerality and flint. Good length. Score : 16.75/20 (93-94/100)

Durup - Vau de Vey 2014 Chablis Premier Cru

The nose is fruity, (very) slightly powerful and offers a racy minerality. It reveals notes of quince, almond and small notes of lemon associated with touches of white fruits, small yellow fruits as well as an imperceptible touch of physalis and an imperceptible toasted touch / spices. The palate is fruity, juicy, slightly tight, well-balanced and offers tension, gourmandise, elegance, a small freshness, a fine acid frame as well as a racy minerality. On the palate this wine expresses notes of quince, small yellow fruits and small notes of physalis associated with touches of dried zest of lemon / mandarin, beeswax and toasted touches / butter. Good length. Score : 15.25/20 (90/100)

Drouhin Vaudon - Mont de Milieu 2016

Chablis Premier Cru

The nose is fresh, fruity, elegant and (very) slightly fleshy. The wine needs to be decanted. It reveals notes of fleshy peach, apple and citrus (lemon, mandarin) combined with fine notes of quince, small yellow fruits as well as an imperceptible touch of fresh flowers, flint, butter and almond. The palate is fruity, fresh, well-balanced, mineral, racy, elegant and offers a beautiful definition, a fine acid frame, precision, a beautiful guideline, a fine tension as well as finesse. On the palate, this wine expresses notes of ripe / juicy lemon, ripe / juicy peach and juicy quince combined with small notes of juicy pear / apple, juicy mirabelle plum as well as fine touches of flint and a discreet hint of zest. A beautiful and full of finesse wine !

Score : 16.5/20 (93/100)



The nose is fruity, racy and a bit closed. It reveals notes of racy minerality, quince and small notes of brugnon associated with fine touches of citrus and juicy apple. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, elegant, mineral, dynamic and offers a beautiful acid frame as well as a beautiful juiciness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy / ripe lemon, fleshy vine peach and small notes of pineapple associated with touches of quince, green apple, racy minerality and an imperceptible touch of small yellow fruits (in the background). Good length and good persistence.

Score : 15.25+/20 (90-91/100)

J. Moreau & Fils - Mont de Milieu 2016 Chablis Premier Cru

The nose is fruity, rich and aromatic. The wine needs to be put in carafe. It reveals notes of quince, pear and small notes of citrus associated with small touches of fleshy peach, green apple skin and honey. The palate is fruity, juicy, well-balanced and offers a beautiful acid frame, elegance, precision, a beautiful structure, a racy / chalky mineral as well as suavity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of quince, juicy Williams pear and small notes of citrus (lemon, tangerine) associated with small touches of fleshy / fresh peach, juicy Granny Smith apple and a very discreet hint of mirabelle plum, honey and an imperceptible hint of almond. Good length.

Score : 15.5/20 (90-91/100)



Sylvain Mosnier - Beauroy **2016 Chablis Premier Cru**

The wine needs to be put in carafe. The nose reveals notes of limestone, quince and small notes of apple associated with small touches of citrus, nutmeg and a discreet hint of almond. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, gourmande and offers a beautiful juiciness, suavity, an acid frame, elegance as well as a good definition. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe citrus, crunchy peach and small notes of pear, limestone associated with fine touches of lime zest, quenette as well as a discreet hint of quince and beeswax. Good length.

Score : 15.75/20 (91-92/100)

Svlvain Mosnier - Côte de lechet 2016 Chablis Premier Cru

The nose is fruity, mineral and racy. It reveals notes of fresh nectarine, limestone, quince and small touches of zest associated with discreet hints of citrus. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good definition, an acid frame, a racy minerality (limestone / terroir), a small juiciness as well as a fine suavity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of citrus (lemon, mandarin), quince and small notes of crunchy nectarine associated with small touches of apple, juicy / fleshy mirabelle plum as well as discreet hints of zest and quenette. Good length.

Score : 15.5/20 (90-91/100)

Simonnet-Febvre 2015 Bourgogne Chitry

The nose is fruity and offers a fine freshness. It reveals notes of lemon, green apple and small notes of brugnon associated with fine / discreet hints of butter / vanilla. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good definition, a good juiciness, a good freshness, a fine suavity, a fine acid frame as well as a fine minerality. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe / juicy lemon, crushed Brugnon, juicy pear and small notes of apple associated with a hint of juicy yellow fruits and an imperceptible touch of almond. Good length. Score : 15+/20 (89-90/100)

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Simonnet-Febvre - Sauvignon 2017 Saint-Bris

The nose is fruity, racy and slightly powerful. It reveals notes of lemon and lemon blossom associated with touches of apple, linden tree as well as subtle hints of rose, exotic fruits (in the background) and racy minerality. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good definition, a fine acid frame, a racy minerality, precision as well as a good structure. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe / juicy lemon, fleshy apple and small notes of juicy peach associated with touches of exotic fruits as well as small hints of zest and racy minerality. Good length.

Score : 15/20 (89-90/100)

P-L & J-F Bersan - Cuvée Marianne 2015 Saint-Bris

The nose is fruity, fresh, crunchy and a bit firm. It reveals notes of crunchy white fruits, flowers and small notes of exotic fruits associated with touches of kumquat / mango. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good definition, a fine mineral frame as well as a fine tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crunchy peach, juicy citrus and small notes of quenette, exotic fruits as well as small touches of flowers and a very discreet hint of mango. Good length.

Score : 14.75+/20 (89/100)

P-L & J-F Bersan Sauvignon 2015 Saint-Bris

The wine needs to be put in carafe. The nose reveals notes of quince, flat

peach and citrus associated with small notes of apple and touches of almond. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good definition, precision, a fine suavity, a very fine straightness, a fine acid frame, a good guideline as well as a fine minerality. On the palate this wine expresses notes of flat peach, apple and small notes of citrus associated with fine touches of guince, guenette, lychee as well as very discreet toasted hints and almond. Score : 14.5+/20 (88/100)

Domaine Félix - Sauvignon 2017Saint-Bris

The nose is aromatic, racy and offers minerality. It reveals notes of citrus zest, quenette and small notes of apple, pink grapefruit as-

sociated with touches of passion fruit, racy minerality, pink lychee and a very discreet hint of flowers. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, precise and offers a good definition, a beautiful suavity, a fine fat, an acid / acidulous frame, a racy minerality, a small gourmandise as well as a small tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of pink grapefruit, juicy peach, juicy citrus and small notes of quenette associated with small touches of exotic fruits (pink lychee. passion fruit, crunchy pineapple) as well as a very discreet hint of apple and flowers. Good length.

Score : 15.25+/20 (90-91/100)

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Domaine de la Poulette 2016 Côte de Nuits Villages

The nose is fruity. The wine needs to be decanted. It reveals notes of fleshy peach, quince and small notes of flowers associated with a very discreet / imperceptible hint of small yellow fruits and beeswax / butter. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers juiciness, precision, staightness, a fine fat, gourmandise, a good definition as well as a racy minerality. On the palate this wine expresses notes of quince, quenette and small notes of fresh physalis associated with small touches of fresh kumquat, apple as well as slight hints of racy minerality. Good length.

Score : 15.5/20 (90-91/100)

Domaine Fougeray de Beauclair -Clos Marion 2016 Fixin

The nose is fresh, fruity and a bit firm. It reveals notes of crunchy green peach, pear and small notes of citrus associated with fine touches of quenette / exotic fruits, quince as well as a very discreet hint of flowers and an imperceptible touch of butter. The palate is fruity, juicy, well-built, fresh, well-balanced and offers an acid frame, a small suavity, a racy minerality as well as a good structure. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy peach / brugnon, fleshy pear and small notes of citrus associated with small touches of apple, quenette as well as discreet hints of flowers as well as a subtle hint of juicy / crunchy mirabelle. Good length.

Score : 15.25/20 (90/100)

Domaine Bruno Clair 2014 Marsannay

The wine needs to be put in carafe. The nose reveals notes of quince, physalis and small notes of citrus (lemon, kumquat) associated with fine touches of beeswax and an imperceptible touch of spices. The palate is fruity, delicate, well-balanced and offers a good definition, precision, a beautiful acidulous frame, freshness, a racy minerality, a fine unctuosity as well as gourmandise. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon, quince and small notes of juicy mirabelle plum associated with fine touches of peach and racy minerality. Good length.

Score : 15.5/20 (90-91/100)



Domaine Fougeray de Beauclair Les Aiges Pruniers 2016 Marsannay

The nose is aromatic and offers freshness. It reveals notes of yellow fruits, toasted notes and small notes of fleshy peach, quince associated with touches of butter as well as discreet hints of apple and minerality. The palate is mineral, fresh, well-balanced and offers a good guideline, finesse, a fine acid frame, a small suavity as well as a beautiful freshness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crunchy / juicy peach, quince and small notes of mirabelle plum associated with touches of

juicy citrus fruit, butter, toasted touches as well as slight hints of apple and a very dis-

creet hint of almond on the finish / persistence. Good length. Score : 15.5+/20 (91/100)

Domaine Fougeray de Beauclair Les Saint-Jacques 2016 Marsannay

The nose is fruity, aromatic, gourmande and offers intensity. It reveals notes of fleshy green peach, apple and small notes of pineapple / exotic fruits combined with slight hints of citrus and an imperceptible hint of nutmeg. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, gourmande and offers a good definition, a fine acid frame, juiciness, crunchiness as well as a fine tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy green peach, juicy green apple and small notes of juicy citrus associated with touches of exotic fruits as well as a discreet hint of flowers.

Score : 15.75/20 (91-92/100)

CÔTE CHALONNAISE

Domaine de L'Ecette - Les Louères 2016 Bouzeron

The nose is fruity. It reveals notes of lemon, apple and nectarine associated with a touch of pink grapefruit, quince and an imperceptible hint of flowers (in the background). The palate is fruity, well-balanced, suave and offers a good definition, a fine tension, a fine acid frame, freshness, a fine fleshiness

as well as a racy minerality. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy nectarine and ripe / juicy lemon associated with small notes of apple as well as fine touches of juicy pink grapefruit, quince and a discreet hint of juicy / ripe tangerine. Good length and good persistence. Score : 14.75 ± 20 (89/100)

Vignerons de Buxy - Buissonnier 2016 Givry

The nose is fruity and offers crunchiness as well as a fine juiciness. It reveals notes of brugnon, apple and small notes of quince associated with a discreet hint of fresh apricot and an imperceptible touch of butter. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers juiciness, crunchiness, a slight straightness, a fine acid frame as well as minerality. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crunchy brugnon, lemon and small notes of apple associated with fine touches of zest as well as discreet hints of exotic fruit. Score : 14.75/20 (88-89/100)

Louis Max - Les Caudroyes 2016 Mercurey

The nose is aromatic, slightly gourmand and offers a small elegance, precision as well as a fine juiciness. It reveals notes of guince, kumguat and small toasted notes / vanilla associated with small touches of white fruit (pear ...) as well as a discreet hint of citrus and butter. The palate is fruity, juicy, wellbalanced, fresh, mineral, precise and offers good definition, a beautiful acid frame and dynamism. On the palate this wine expresses notes of quince, ripe lemon and crunchy vine peach associated with small touches of apple, a touch of crunchy mirabelle plum, zest (lemon, tangerine) as well as a discreet hint of beeswax / almond. Good length. Good persistence (with acidulous hints, toasted hints as well as on almond)

Score : 15.75/20 (91-92/100)

Domaine Louis Max - Les Rochelles 2016 Mercurev

The nose is fruity, slightly tight, elegant and racy. The wine needs to be put in carafe. It reveals notes of citrus, guince and small notes of crunchy peach associated with touches of minerality / flint, apple as well as slight hints of exotic fruits, butter and slight toasted hints / vanilla. The palate is fruity, wellbalanced, racy, slightly tight and offers a good definition, an acid frame, a racy minerality, precision, volume as well as elegance. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy lemon, quince and small notes of crunchy vine peach associated with small touches of apple, physalis as well as small hints of quenette, mandarin and small toasted hints / butter. Good length. Score : 16+/20 (92-93/100)

Millebuis 2015 Montagny

The nose is fruity and offers fleshiness. It reveals notes of quince, pear and small notes of apple associated with a very discreet hint of citrus, beeswax and an imperceptible hint of flowers. The palate is fruity, juicy, well-balanced, gourmande, well-built, mineral and offers a good definition, an acidulous frame as well as roundness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed Brugnon, pear and small notes of quenette associated with touches of quince. green apple and a discreet hint of mirabelle plum. Good length and persistence.

Score : 15+/20 (89-90/100)

Maison Géraldine Louise - Les Chaniots 2016 Montagny, 1er Cru

The nose is fresh, fruity, racy and offers elegance. It reveals notes of crunchy peach, pear and small notes of mirabelle plum associated with subtle hints of exotic fruits, quince and an imperceptible hint of flowers (in the background). The palate is fruity, fresh, mineral (racy minerality), well-balanced, racy and offers a good definition, a beautiful acid frame, fleshiness, delicacy as well as finesse. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy / crunchy vine peach, pear and small notes of citrus associated with touches of juicy mirabelle plum as well as a subtle hint of quenette. Good length. The finish is acidulous. Score : 16/20 (92/100)

Domaine de L'Ecette - Les Gaudoirs 2015 Rully

The nose is fruity and offers a very fine intensity as well as complexity. It reveals notes of quince, beeswax and citrus associated with small notes of floral as well as hints of vanilla, white fruit and an imperceptible hint of beeswax. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, racy and offers a good definition, a fine suavity, a small unctuosity, a beautiful acid frame, precision, a small tension as well as a racy minerality. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy lemon, crushed pear and small notes of crushed brugnon associated with touches of zest, vanilla as well as an imperceptible touch of pineapple and almond. Good length.

Score : 15.5+/20 (91/100)

Domaine de L'Ecette - Mazières 2015 Rully

The nose is fresh, fruity, elegant, complex, fine and offers a fine intensity. The wine needs to be decanted. It reveals notes of pear, quince and small notes of crushed Brugnon associated with hints of lychee, vanilla and an imperceptible touch of lemon zest (in the background). The palate is fruity, juicy, suave and offers a fine acid frame, an aerial side, a beautiful balance, a beautiful finesse / delicacy, a small dynamism as well as a beautiful gourmandise. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy lemon and juicy peach associated with small notes of crushed brugnon, quenette as well as a discreet hint of quenette / exotic fruits and an imperceptible hint of almond (in the background). Good length and good persistence (with hints of lime zest, almond). Score : 16.25+/20 (93/100)

Domaine Louis Max - Les Plantenays 2016 Rully

The nose is fresh, fruity and well-built. It reveals notes of ripe lemon, peach and small notes of litchi associated with small touches of minerality, fresh apple and an imperceptible touch of quince. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a beautiful acid frame, suavity, fat, tension, a beautiful freshness / minerality, a small roundness as well as precision. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon, ripe vine peach and small notes of quenette associated with small touches of ripe / sweet grapefruit as well as discreet hints of apple, passion fruit and a touch of imperceptible hint of quince on the finish. Good length and good persistence. Score : 15/20 (89-90/100)

Jean Chartron - Montmorin 2016 Rully

The nose is fruity, fleshy and slightly gourmand. It reveals notes of fleshy / juicy peach, juicy quince and small notes of kumquat associated with fine hints of lemon and juicy mirabelle plum. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good definition, a beautiful acid frame, a fine juiciness, precision, gourmandise, a fine straightness as well as minerality. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon, ripe / juicy vine peach and small notes of juicy mirabelle plum associated with fine touches of kumquat, fleshy brugnon as well as slight hints of juicy citrus / pineapple. Good length. There is an imperceptible hint of crushed almond on the aftertaste. Score : 15.5+/20 (91/100)

Antonin Rodet - Domaine de la Bressance Saint-Jacques 2016 Rully

The nose is fruity and offers a fine delicacy and a fine intensity. It reveals notes of quince, apple and subtle hints of lime combined with touches of mirabelle plum, almond as well as a discreet hint of flowers and an imperceptible toasted hint. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, chiselled and offers a beautiful juiciness, an acid frame, suavity, tension, elegance, precision as well as a (very) slight unctuosity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon, ripe green apple and small notes of quince, peach combined with small touches of kumquat, va (very) discreet hint of ripe pineapple, almond as well as very discreet toasted hints / vanilla and almond. Good length and good persistence. There is an imperceptible touch of coffee on the persistence / aftertaste. Score : 15.5/20 (90-91/100)

Bourgogne

Antonin Rodet - Château de Rully - Clos La Bressande 2016 Rully, Premier Cru

The nose is fruity and offers juiciness as well as minerality. It reveals notes of quince, kumquat and small notes of pear associated with small touches of citrus, juicy white fruits as well as small hints of minerality racy and discreet hints of flowers. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good definition, fat, a fine suavity, tension, an acid frame, a beautiful roundness as well as a (very) slightly tight grain. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crunchy pear, quince and small notes of kumquat associated with a subtle touch of mirabelle plum, white fruit, vanilla and almond. Good length and persistence. Score : 15.75/20 (91-92/100)

Vignerons de Buxy - Chardonnay 2016 Bourgogne, Côte Chalonnaise

The nose is fruity. It reveals notes of crunchy brugnon, quince and fine touches of apple associated with discreet hints of white flowers and fresh citrus. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers suavity, a fine roundness, a fine fat, a fine acid frame as well as a fine minerality. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon / quince, crushed Brugnon and small notes of apple associated with fine touches of white flowers and discreet hints of minerality / flint. Score : 14.75 + /20 (89/100)

CÔTES DE BEAUNE

Domaine Fougeray de Beauclair -Les Golardes 2015 Savigny-les-Beaune

The nose is fruity, elegant and offers a small intensity. It reveals notes of apple and crunchy nectarine associated with small notes of flowers, limestone and discreet hints of small yellow fruits / physalis. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, round, fat and offers a small acid frame, juiciness, gourmandise as well as a fine richness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crunchy nectarine, crunchy brugnon and small notes of citrus associated with fine touches of apple, crunchy / juicy physalis and a very discreet hint of beeswax. Good length. There are small toasted hints on the persistence. Score : 15.25/20 (90/100)

Antonin Rodet - Château de Mercey 2016 Hautes-Côtes de Beaune

The nose is fruity, well-structured, well-built and offers freshness as well as a fine crunchinesse. It reveals notes of crunchy nectarine, pear and small notes of citrus associated with small hints of quince, beeswax as well as a very discreet hint of honey. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, well-built, precise and offers elegance, a beautiful definition, a beautiful acidulous frame, suavity, a good structure as well as a fine delicacy. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy / juicy peach, quenette and small notes of apple associated with touches of juicy citrus as well as a hint of crunchy pineapple and an imperceptible hint of quince (in the background). Good length. Score : $15.5 \pm / 20 (91/100)$

Score . 15.5 + 20 (51/100)

Jean-Claude Boisset - Les Vignes Franches 2016 Beaune, Premier Cru

The nose is aromatic, fresh and offers richness. It reveals notes of mirabelle plum and quince associated with small notes of fleshy pear, butter and discreet toasted hints / beeswax. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, racy, elegant, well-defined, precise, fine and offers a fine suavity as well as a fine acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy peach, quince and small notes of mirabelle plum associated with small touches of kumquat / citrus as well as discreet hints of apple and a very discreet hint of beeswax. Good length. Score : $16 \pm /20 (92-93/100)$

Jean Chartron - Les Benoites 2016 Chassagne-Montrachet

The nose is fresh, fruity and offers elegance and juiciness. It reveals notes of fresh lemon, peach and small notes of fresh quince associated with fine hints of mirabelle plum / juicy as well as a discreet hint of zest and flowers. The palate is fruity, juicy, well-balanced, aerial, racy and offers a beautiful defini-

tion, a fine acid frame, a fine minerality, a beautiful juiciness, a fine tension, a fine unctuosity,

delicacy, precision as well as roundness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe / juicy lemon, juicy peach and small notes of juicy apple associated with discreet touches of quince and a discreet hint of butter. Score : 16.75/20 (93-94/100)

Jean Chartron 2016 Puligny-Montrachet

The nose is fruity, elegant and offers a fine juiciness, richness as well as concentration. The wine needs to be decanted. It reveals notes of quince, pear and small notes of kumquat, zest of dried mandarin, crushed brugnon associated with touches of vanilla, small yellow fruits, butter, lime zest / flowers as well as discreet hints of toasted oak and an imperceptible touch of pepper/spices. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, well-built and offers minerality, a beautiful definition, tension, a fine acid frame, a fine unctuosity, a beautiful juiciness as well as roundness. In the mouth this wine expresses notes of juicy lemon, juicy peach and small notes of mandarin associated with discreet touches of zest, lime, apple, fleshy small yellow fruits and discreet hints of butter (in the background). Good length. A beautiful, fruity, juicy and gourmand wine.

Score : 16.5+/20 (93-94/100)

Jean Chartron - Clos de la Pucelle 2016 -Monopole

Puligny-Montrachet, Premier Cru

The nose is fruity, elegant, racy, (very) slightly tight and offers a fine juiciness as well as intensity / power. It reveals notes of crushed pear and small yellow fruits combined with small notes of quenette, quince, touches of crushed peach as well as a very discreet hint of spices and butter. The palate is fruity, juicy, beautifully elegant, delicate, gournande, fine, aerial, precise and offers roundness, a fine tension, straightness as well as a fine acid frame (in the background). On the palate this wine expresses notes of crunchy vine peach, apple and small notes of lemon / citrus associated with fine touches of quince, juicy quenette, juicy kumquat aq well as a very fine toasted hint, butter and toasted almond. Good length. Very fine chews on the persistence / aftertaste. Score : 17.5/20 (95/100)

Domaine du Château de Meursault Champ Canet 2015

Puligny-Montrachet, Premier Cru

The nose is fruity, fresh and offers juiciness. It reveals notes of juicy quince and juicy physalis combined with small notes of peach, pear, slight touches of vanilla as well as an imperceptible touch of flowers and pink pepper. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, aerial, elegant and offers a beautiful definition, delicacy, a fine unctuosity, a fine acid / acidulous frame as well as a beautiful roundness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy quince, juicy kumquat and small notes of crushed mirabelle plum associated with small touches of pear, peach, citrus as well as very discreet hints of butter and toasted almond. Good length. Small chew on the finish.

Score : 17.5/20 (95/100)

Jean Chartron Clos des Cailleret 2016 Monopole

Puligny-Montrachet, Premier Cru

The nose is fresh, fruity, elegant, racy and offers fleshiness, a small richness as well as a fine juiciness. It reveals notes of lemon, vine peach and small notes of quenette associated with touches of mandarin, quince, flowers as well as subtle touches of vanilla and butter. The palate is fruity, juicy, well-balanced, fresh and offers a beautiful definition, a fine acid frame, a beautiful precision, roundness, suavity, a very slight unctuosity, tension as well as finesse. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy lemon, juicy mandarin and small notes of vine peach associated with fine touches of fleshy brugnon, pear, quenette, racy minerality as well as a very discreet hint of crunchy / juicy pineapple, zests and an imperceptible touch of butter / ripe almond. Good length and good persistence.

Score : 17/20 (94/100)

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Ropiteau - Sous le Puits 2016 Puligny-Montrachet, Premier Cru

The nose is elegant, aromatic, fine and offers a fine richness. It reveals notes of fleshy vine peach, ripe citrus fruit and small notes of a quenette associated with fine hints of crunchy pineapple, apple, mirabelle plum as well as discreet hints of quince, beeswax and an imperceptible hint of almond (in the background). The palate is fruity, well-balanced, precise and offers a good definition, a fine acid frame, delicacy, a small suavitu, finesse, a (very) slight unctuosity as well as a beautiful finesse of the grain. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy peach, pear and small notes of juicy citrus (lemon, sweet pink grapefruit) combined with hints of mirabelle plum, quince and butter. Good length. A beautiful wine full of finesse / precision, delicacy and gourmandise.

Score : 17/20 (94/100)

Domaine Chevrot 2016

Maranges

The nose is aromatic and offers a fine gourmandise, a very fine intensity as well as a fine freshness. It reveals notes of pear and butter associated with small notes of quince, fleshy peach as well as discreet toasted touches / vanilla. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, racy and offers a good definition, tension, straightness, suavity, dynamism, gourmandise as well as an acidulous / juicy frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe / juicy lemon, quince and fleshy nectarine associated with fine touches of zest, mirabelle plum, minerality, butter and an imperceptible toasted hint. Good length. Good and gourmande persistence. There are a discreet hint of ripe almond and a discreet chews on persistence / aftertaste. Score : 15.5+/20 (91/100)

Domaine du Château de Meursault 2015 Meursault-Perrières, 1^{er} Cru

The nose is fruity and elegant. It reveals notes of quince and ripe / juicy citrus combined with touches of pear, mirabelle plum as well as discreet hints of beeswax, butter and discreet toasted hints / vanilla. The palate is fruity, wellbalanced, delicate, elegant, precise and offers a beautiful juiciness, a fine mineral frame (racy minerality), a very fine acidity (in the background), a beautiful freshness, a discreet tension, a fine suavity as well as finesse. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy peach, ripe / juicy citrus (tangerine, lemon) and juicy kumquat associated with fine touches of quince, pear, vanilla, fine toasted touches / butter. Good length. Score : 17/20 (94/100)

Jean-Claude Boisset - Clos du Cromin 2016 Meursault

The nose is elegant, racy and offers a fine intensity. It reveals notes of ripe lemon, quince and small notes of vine peach associated with touches of juicy pear, quenette, flowers / rose, minerality as well as a discreet hint of butter. The palate is fruity, racy, well-balanced and offers a beautiful racy minerality, a beautiful definition, an acid frame, a fine suavity, a good guideline, precision as well as a beautiful finesse of the grain. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crunchy vine peach and juicy citrus (lemon, kumquat, quince) associated with small touches of pear, quenette as well as discreet hint of zest, flowers and very discreet toasted hints / butter. Good length and good persistence. There is an imperceptible hint of almond on the persistence. Score : 16+/20 (92-93/100)

Jean-Claude Boisset - Charmes 2016 Meursault, Premier Cru

The nose is fruity, finely powerful and offers a small intensity. The wine needs to be put in carafe. It reveals notes of juicy lemon, ripe apple and small notes of pear associated with small touches of crunchy brugnon as well as discreet hints of quince, beeswax / almond and a very discreet hint of vanilla. The palate is fruity, juicy, well-balanced, beautifully defined, precise, elegant and offers a beautiful expression, an acid frame, roundness, a beautiful guideline as well as a beautiful finesse. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe quince, juicy lemon and small notes of fleshy brugnon associated with small touches of juicy / fleshy apple, quenette, hints of fleshy mirabelle plum as well as discreet toasted hints and butter. Good length and good persistence. There are slight hints of almond and toasted oak on the persistence. Score : 16.75+/20 (94/100)

Ropiteau - Les Rougeots 2016 Meursault

The nose offers elegance as well as a small richness / concentration. The wine needs to be put in carafe. It reveals notes of fleshy pear, fleshy brugnon and small notes of quince associated with touches of beeswax, spices, flowers and toasted almonds. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, racy and offers a good definition, suavity, a beautiful acidulous frame, finesse, gourmandise, a fine tension as well as a good fineness of the grain. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy lemon, quince and small notes of juicy mirabelle associated with touches of juicy lemon / mandarin as well as fine hints of white fruit (apple), butter and beeswax. Good length.

Score : 16.25/20(92-93/100)

Domaine du Château de Meursault - Clos des Grands Charrons 2016 Monopole

The nose is fruity, elegant and racy. The wine wins to be decanted. It reveals notes of guince, yellow peach and small notes of juicy kumguat associated with small touches of pear, butter, vanilla and an imperceptible hint of flowers. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, racy, elegant, precise and offers a beautiful juiciness, a beautiful acid / acidulous frame, a beautiful definition, a fine suavity as well as a certain delicacy. Everything is in place. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon, guince and small notes of juicy kumquat associated with fine touches of crushed pear, crushed Brugnon, discreet hints of butter as well as an imperceptible touch of flowers and vanilla. Good length. Score : 16.5+/20 (93-94/100)

Domaine du Château de Meursault - Les Charmes Dessus 2015 Meursault, Premier Cru

The nose is mineral, racy, well-built and offers elegance. It reveals notes of quince, lemon ripe and small notes of peach associated with a touch of kumquat, zest as well as hints of flowers, a discreet toasted hint, butter and an imperceptible touch of pepper (background). The palate is fruity, very well-balanced and offers a beautiful delicacy, a beautiful elegance, a beautiful suavity, a beautiful mineral frame, a fine acidity (in the background), fat, roundness as well as an aerial side. On the palate this wine expresses notes of mirabelle plum, quince and small notes of pear associated with fine touches of citrus (lemon, kumquat), flowers, quenette / lychee as well as hints of butter, vanilla blossom as well as a very discreet toasted hint and toasted almonds. Good length and beautiful persistence. Congratulations ! Score : 17.25/20 (94-95/100)

Domaine Stéphane de Sousa - Les Millerands 2016 Meursault

The nose is fresh, structured and racy. It reveals notes of peach, pear and small notes of quenette / exotic fruits associated with fine touches of physalis / small yellow fruits and flowers. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a fine juiciness, a good definition, a fine acid frame, a good structure as well as tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of quince, ripe lemon and small notes of physalis associated with fine touches of small yellow fruits, zest, butter and ripe almond. Good length and beautiful persistence. Score : 15.25/20 (90/100)

Closerie des Alisiers -Terroir de Meursault 2016 Meursault

The nose is fruity and offers a fine juiciness. It reveals notes of ripe juicy lemon and quince associated with small notes of crushed Brugnon and an imperceptible hint of beeswax. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good definition, a fine acid frame (in the background), a fine juiciness, a racy minerality, a fine straightness, a fine tension as well as dynamism. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon, vine peach and small notes of pear associated with small touches of quince, crushed Mirabelle plum as well as a very discreet

hint of lychee and an imperceptible touch of beewax. Good length. Score : 15.5/20 (90-91/100)

Domaine Bruno Clair 2014

Pernand-Vergelesses

The nose is racy, elegant and slightly tight. The wine needs a lot to be decanted. There are notes of quince and plum plum associated with touches of kumquat, juicy peach as well as a hint of citrus (in the background), butter, vanilla and small yellow flowers. The palate is juicy, fruity, well-balanced, racy, precise and offers a fine tension, a beautiful acid frame, a fine suavity, straightness as well as a beautiful fineness of the grain. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy lemon and fleshy / juicy kumquat associated with small notes of quince, vine peach as well as touches of pineapple and imperceptible hints of toasted almond (in the background). Good length and beautiful persistence. Very discreet chews on the aftertaste.

Score : 16.75/20 (93-94/100)

Jean Chartron - Murgers des Dents de Chien 2016

Saint-Aubin, Premier Cru

The nose is elegant, gourmand, precise and offers a beautiful delicacy. The wine needs to be decanted. It reveals notes of pear, quince and small notes of fresh peach combined with touches of ripe / fresh citrus, fresh / ripe mirabelle plum, vanilla, butter and an imperceptible hint of lemon flowers. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, juicy, mineral, racy and offers a fine freshness, delicacy, a beautiful suavity, a beautiful definition as well as a beautiful minerality. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon, crunchy vine peach and small notes of quince associated with touches of ripe / crunchy apple, juicy citrus as well as discreet hints of kumquat, racy minerality and an imperceptible hint of butter. Good length.

Score : 17.25/20 (94-95/100)

Domaine Rijckaert - Vieilles Vignes 2015 Santenay

The nose is fruity and offers fleshiness. The wine needs to be decanted. It reveals notes of pear, brugnon and small notes of quince associated with small touches of yellow fruit, beeswax as well as a very discreet hint of butter and an imperceptible hint of almond. The mouth is fruity, juicy, well-balanced and offers a beautiful definition, a fine mineral frame, elegance, gourmandise, subtlety, a fine richness (in the background) as well as finesse. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed Brugnon, pear and quince associated with touches of butter, beeswax, crushed mirabelle plum as well as a discreet hint of apple (in the background) and an imperceptible hint of almond. Good length. Very long / Beautiful and gourmande persistence. Congratulations ! Score : 16.75/20 (93-94/100)

Jean-Claude Boisset - Passetemps 2016 Santenay, Premier Cru

The nose is elegant and fruity. The wine needs to be decanted. It reveals notes of nectarine, quince and small notes of crunchy pear associated with a touch of kumquat as well as a discreet hint of citrus and beeswax. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, racy and offers a good definition, a fine acid frame as well as a small minerality. On the palate this wine expresses fleshy peach / nectarine, citrus and small notes of kumquat combined with a discreet hint of juicy mirabelle plum as well as a discreet hint of quince and an imperceptible hint of beeswax. Good length.

Score : 15.25+/20 (90-91/100)

MÂCONNAIS

Domaine des verchères 2017 Mâcon-Villages

The nose is fruity. It reveals notes of juicy lemon and touches of tangerine zest / mesocarp combined with subtle touches of white fruit and racy minerality. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers suavity, fat, roundness, an acid frame, a small minerality, a fine tension, juiciness, a small gourmandise as well as freshness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of lemon, fleshy / juicy white fruits and small notes of zests associated with small touches of tangerine, crushed Brugnon as well as a very discreet hint of citrus mesocarp and butter (on the finish). Good length and good persistence. Score: 14.75+/20 (89/100)

Vignerons de Mancey - Les Cadoles 2016 Mâcon-Villages

The nose offers a small fleshines and a fine delicacy. It reveals notes of crushed pear, vanilla and lemon combined with hints of quince and toasted hints. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, silky and offers a good definition, a racy minerality, a mineral frame, a fine juiciness, a good freshness as well as roundness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe / juicy lemon, litchi, vine peach and small notes of crushed pear associated with a very discreet hint of flowers, quince, beeswax and an imperceptible hint of almond (in the background). Good length.

Score: 14.75+/20 (89/100)

André Dupuis 2016 Mâcon-Villages

The nose is slightly gourmand. It reveals notes of crushed pear and vanilla / butter associated with touches of fresh apple, fresh citrus (lemon, mandarin) as well as a subtle hint of juicy physalis and a subtle toasted hint. The mouth is fruity, juicy, well-balanced and offers a good definition, a fine juicy frame, minerality, a beautiful freshness, roundness as well as a fine tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy lemon, juicy pear, vanilla and butter combined with touches of vine peach, juicy physalis and small hints of citrus. Good length. There are an imperceptible touch of butter and an imperceptible touch of toasted almond on the aftertaste.

Score : 14.75/20 (88-89/100)

Château de Javernand 2017 Mâcon-Villages

The nose is fruity. It reveals notes of lemon, green apple and small notes of flowers associated with small touches of crushed mirabelle plum, almond and butter. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a fine richness, tension, a fine straightness as well as a good freshness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy peach, fleshy apple and small notes of citrus associated with small touches of flowers, lychee, quince as well as discrete toasted hints (in the background). Good length.

Score : 14.75/20 (88-89/100)

Domaine Luquet - Le Pavillon 2016 Mâcon-Villages

The nose offers a fine gourmandise as well as a fine fleshiness. It reveals notes of quince, ripe lemon and small notes of fleshy white fruit associated with touches of pineapple as well as a hint of beeswax and a very discreet hint of almond. The palate is fruity, mineral, well-balanced, suave, very discreetly tight and offers tension, a mineral frame, acidulous fruits as well as crunchiness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy / crunchy nectarine and quince associated with small notes of citrus, crunchy apple as well as a discreet hint of crunchy / juicy mirabelle plum. Good length. Score : 14.75/20 (88-89/100)

Domaine Jean Touzot - 2017 Mâcon - Villages

The nose is fruity and juicy. It reveals notes of lemon, fresh apple and small notes of fresh / juicy vine peach combined with a hint of grapefruit mesocarp and a very discreet / imperceptible hint of tangerine. The palate is fruity, wellbalanced and offers a good definition, a fine acid frame, minerality, juiciness as well as finesse. On the palate this wine expresses juicy ripe lemon, juicy quince and small notes of fleshy peach combined with touches of juicy apple as well as a very discreet hint of pear and an imperceptible hint of beeswax. Good length.

Score : 15.25+/20 (90-91/100)

Domaine Luquet - Les Mulots 2017 Chardonnay - Mâcon-Villages

The nose reveals notes of lemon zest, apple and small notes of small yellow fruits associated with fine touches of citrus fruits as well as discreet varietal

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hints. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good definition, a fine mineral frame, a fine juiciness, tension as well as roundness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon, juicy vine peach, juicy brugnon and small notes of quince associated with touches of juicy mirabelle plum. Good length. There is a very discreet touch of bitterness on the aftertaste. Score : 14.5/20(88/100)

Vignerons de Mancey - Les Cadoles 2016 Macon-Mancev

The nose is fruity. It reveals notes of ripe lemon, grapefruit mesocarp and small notes of yellow peach combined with subtle hints of green apple and exotic fruit. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a beautiful mineral frame, acidity, roundness, fat, dynamism, a beautiful freshness as well as tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy peach, crushed brugnon, exotic fruits and small notes of grapefruit mesocarp associated with small touches of lemon, quenette, apple and discreet hints of flowers. Good length. Score : 14.75+/20 (89/100)

Vignerons de Mancey - Les Essentuelles de Măncey 2016 Mâcon-Mancey

The nose is fruity and offers a fine juiciness as well as gourmandise. It reveals notes of ripe lemon, ripe mandarin and small notes of vine peach, quenette associated with touches of fresh apricot, discreet touches of crushed white fruit as well as a touch of quince and zest. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good definition, a fine suavity, straightness, tension, a mineral frame as well as roundness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon, brugnon, quince and small notes of quenette / lychee associated with fine touches of yellow fruits and juicy citrus. Good length.

Score : 15+/20 (89-90/100)

Domaine Pascal Renaud 2016

Mâcon Solutré-Pouilly

The nose offers gourmandise. It reveals notes of quince, mirabelle plum and small touches of white fruit associated with hints of vanilla. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, well defined and offers a beautiful freshness / minerality, a beautiful juiciness, an acid frame, dynamism, a good structure as well as a beautiful grain. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy lemon, apple and small notes of juicy / fresh mirabelle plum combined with touches of quince as well as fine touches of juicy tangerine, discreet hints of quenette and very discreet hints of vanilla. Good length and good persistence. Score : 15.5/20,(90-91/100)

Domaine Jean Touzot - Les Parettes 2016 Mâcon Cruzille

The nose is fruity and offers a fine juiciness. It reveals notes of crunchy peach and ripe / fresh citrus associated with small touches of pear / apple and an imperceptible touch of quince and fresh almond. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, racy and offers good definition, a fine acid frame, juiciness, a beautiful grain as well as roundness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy peach / brugnon, quince and small notes of juicy apricot associated with fine touches of citrus, juicy pear as well as a very discreet hint of juicy quenette and an imperceptible toasted hint (in the background). Good length. Score : 15.25/20 (90/100)

Louis Dorry -Les Collondes 2015 Mâcon Milly-Larmartine

The nose is fruity, elegant, aromatic and offers precision. The wine needs to be decanted. It reveals notes of lemon, apple, Williams pear and small notes of quince associated with touches of juicy kumquat, quenette and a very discreet hint of grapefruit mesocarp. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, elegant, precise, round, mineral, delicate and offers fat, a fine straightness, a small aerial side, a small freshness, delicacy as well as a fine acid / juicy frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of quince, juicy kumquat and small notes of apple associated with fine touches of citrus and a very discreet hint of flowers (in the background). Good length and good persistence. There are a very discreet hint of butter and a very discreet hint of toasted almond on the finish / persistence. There is an imperceptible touch of vanilla on the aftertaste. Score : $16 \pm 20 (92 - 93/100)$

Cave de Lugny - les Charmes 2016 Mâcon-Lugny

The nose is fruity, aromatic and offers gourmandise. It reveals notes of lychee, quenette, peach and small notes of pear associated with touches of ripe quince / citrus and an imperceptible hint of flowers. The palate is fruity, wellbalanced and offers a good definition, a fine unctuosity, a beautiful tension, fat, roundness as well as a slight acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of quenette, fleshy vine peach and small notes of pear associated with touches of quince as well as very discreet hints of juicy citrus. Good length. Score : 15/20 (89-90/100)

Marcel Couturier - Au Corlier 2016 Mâcon-Vinzelles

The nose is fruity and offers fleshiness as well as gourmandise. It reveals notes of fleshy peach, fleshy / juicy pear and small notes of apple associated with touches of citrus and a discreet hint of quenette. The palate is fruity, juicy, well-balanced, beautifuly built / defined, precise, elegant and offers a beautiful acid frame, roundness, suavity, a beautiful minerality as well as a fine freshness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon, crunchy peach and small notes of lemon associated with touches of apple, crunchy pineapple as well as slight hint of juicy / fleshy kumquat. Good length. Score : 16+/20 (92-93/100)

Domaine Jean-Pierre Sève 2017 Mâcon-Solutré

The nose is fresh, mineral and racy. It reveals notes of crunchy peach and apple associated with small notes of flint / racy minerality as well as discreet hints of zest and an imperceptible hint of beeswax (in the background). The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good definition, a beautiful racy minerality, finesse, an acid frame, fat, suavity, a small gourmandise as well as an aerial side. On the palate this wine expresses notes of lemon, lychee and small notes of pear associated with touches of quince, crushed vine peach and an imperceptible hint of quince. Good length.

Score : 15.5/20 (90-91/100)

Domaine Dupré 2016 Mâcon-Villages

The nose reveals notes of flowers, lemon mesocarp and white fruits (apple, brugnon) associated with discreet hints of small yellow fruits (in the background) as well as small hints of racy minerality. The palate is fruity, wellbalanced and offers roundness, an aerial side, fat, a fine acid frame, a fine tension, a small freshness as well as a fine straightness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon, flowers, crunchy brugnon and small notes of crushed apple associated with discreet touches of guince / small yellow fruits and an imperceptible touch of exotic fruits. Good length. Score : 14.75/20 (88-89/100)

Domaine de la Jobeline 2016 Mâcon-Villages

The nose is fruity and offers a fine gourmandise as well as a fine suavity / intensity. It reveals notes of quince, crushed pear and small notes of vanilla associated with small touches of citrus and a (very) discreet hint of fresh flowers, minerality and ripe almond. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, wellbuilt, elegant, round, precise and offers a good definition, a beautiful juiciness, a beautiful guideline, an acid frame as well as tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon, fleshy / juicy peach and small notes of quince associated with small touches of pear, zest as well as an imperceptible touch of kumquat and almond. Good length and good persistence. Score : 15.75+/20 (91-92/100)

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L'œuvre de Perraud 2016 Mâcon Villages

The nose is fruity and offers a fine fleshiness. The wine needs to be put in carafe. It reveals notes of ripe brugnon, pear and small notes of citrus associated with touches of minerality as well as discreet hints of quince and an imperceptible hint of beeswax. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good definition, suavity, juiciness, a beautiful acid frame as well as gourmandise. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy brugnon, Williams pear and small notes of guince associated with fine touches of kumguat, citrus and

a very discreet hint of crushed mirabelle plum. Good length. Score : 15.5+/20 (91/100)

Vignerons de Buxy - Buissonnier 2017 Macon Villages

The nose is aromatic and offers intensity. It reveals notes of white fruits (nectarine, apple) and small notes of white flowers associated with fine touches of citrus. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers juiciness, a fine mineral frame, a fine acidity (in the background), a small tension, a small concentration as well as roundness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crunchy brugnon, crunchy pear and small notes of litchi associated with fine touches of juicy citrus as well as a subtle hint of guince and flowers. Score : 15/20 (89-90/100)

Closerie des Alisiers 2016 Mâcon-Villages

The nose is fruity and offers a fine racy minerality. It reveals notes of ripe lemon, lychee / quenette and small notes of white fruit associated with touches of exotic fruits as well as a very discreet hint of quince. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good definition, a fine acid frame, fat, minerality, a small freshness, a beautiful roundness / suavity, a good definition as well as a fine unctuosity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of lemon, quenette and small notes of fleshy brugnon associated with fine touches of lychee / passion fruit as well as slight hints of mandarin, racy minerality, quince and zest. Good length.

Score : 15.25/20 (90/100)

Cave de Lugny - Aigaicia 2016 Mâcon-Villages

The nose is aromatic and offers a fine fleshiness /

richness. It reveals notes of nectarine, flowers and small notes of pear associated with touches of citrus. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, suave and offers a good definition, tension, an acid frame, precision, elegance, a fine minerality, a (very) slight unctuosity as well as a (very) slightly tight grain. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crunchy / juicy nectarine, quenette / lychee and quince associated with touches of Williams pear as well as discreet hints of citrus fruits. Good length.

Score : 15.25+/20 (90-91/100)

Domaine de la Jobeline - En Prévisy 2016 Mâcon-Verzé

The nose is juicy, fruity and offers a racy minerality. It reveals notes of juicy lemon and crunchy / juicy nectarine combined with fine touches of tangerine as well as discreet hints of crunchy pear, racy mineral and a touch of crunchy pineapple. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, (very) slightly tight and offers a beautiful suavity, a beautiful definition, delicacy, gourmandise, a beautiful finesse, a beautiful racy minerality as well as a small aerial side. On the palate this wine expresses notes of pear, nectarine and small notes of juicy lemon associated with discreet hints of quince / kumquat as well as an imperceptible touch of pineapple and ripe almond. Good length and beautiful persistence. Score : 16.25/20 (92-93/100)

Domaine de la Jobeline 2016 Mâcon-Verzé

The nose is fruity, well-structured and very discreetly tight. The wine needs to be decanted. It reveals notes of lemon, crunchy brugnon and small notes of crunchy apple associated with discreet hints of minerality, zest and an imperceptible touch of fresh flowers. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good definition, an acid frame, a beautiful suavity / fat, a small tension, a racy minerality as well as finesse. On the palate this wine expresses notes of lemon, fresh / crunchy green apple and small notes of racy minerality combined with small touches of juicy / fresh kumquat as well as discreet hints of zest. Good length.

Score : 15.25+/20 (90-91/100)

Cave de Lugny - En Chassigny 2016 Mâcon-Péronne

The nose is aromatic, fruity and offers a small freshness as well as a fine minerality. It reveals notes of quenette and ripe vine peach combined with small notes of pear, exotic fruit and kumquat. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, round and offers minerality, a (very) slight unctuosity, tension, fat, an aerial side as well as a fine acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed Brugnon and quenette associated with small notes of quince, passion

> fruit as well as discreet hints of kumquat and citrus zest. Good length. There is a fine bitterness on the persistence / aftertaste. Score : 15+/20 (89-90/100)

L'œuvre de Perraud 2015 Mâcon La Roche-Vineuse

The nose is fruity and juicy. It reveals notes of juicy lemon and small notes of quince, tangerine associated with fine touches of vine peach as well as a very discreet hint of pear aan imperceptible hint of beeswax (in the background). The palate is fruity, juicy, well-balanced, gourmande, very discreetly tight and offers a good structure, a fine straightness, a very fine crunchiness, a beautiful acid frame, a beautiful definition, roundness, fat as well as freshness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy lemon, ripe / crunchy vine peach and small notes of apple associated with touches of juicy mandarin, juicy ananas, racy minerality as well as a discreet hint of guince and an imperceptible hint of ripe almond (in the background). Score : 16/20(92/100)

Cave de Lugny - La Carte 2015 Mâcon-Lugny

The nose is fruity, fresh and offers a racy minerality. It reveals notes of quince and small yellow fruits associated with touches of fresh white fruits as well as discreet hints of fleshy peach (in the background). The palate is fruity, wellbalanced, suave, round, aerial and offers an acid frame, minerality and tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon and fleshy peach / brugnon associated with small touches of crushed mirabelle plum as well as discreet touches of citrus and discreet hints of butter (in the background). Good length.

Score : 15.25/20 (90/100)

Domaine Rijckaert - Les Crays vers Vaux 2016 Mâcon-Lugny

The nose is fruity, racy and offers elegance as well as a fine complexity. It reveals notes of fleshy peach, crushed pear and small notes of quince associated with small touches of vanilla as well as discreet hints of citrus, flowers, racy minerality and an imperceptible hint of quince. The palate is fruity, juicy, well-balanced, elegant, racy, well-defined and offers a beautiful acid frame, a beautiful roundness, a fine suavity, a small tension as well as a beautiful freshness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy lemon, crunchy peach and small notes of apple associated with touches of quenette, zest as well as discreet hints of minerality racy and an imperceptible hint of beeswax



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(in background). Good length. Score : 16/20(92/100)

Cave de Lugny - Les Beluses 2015 Mâcon, Chardonnay

The nose reveals notes of quince, crushed brugnon and small notes of small yellow fruits associated with discreet hints of citrus zest, flint and almond. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, mineral, (very) slightly firm and offers juiciness, a fine acidulous frame as well as roundness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of brugnon, apple and small notes of quince associated with small touches of mirabelle plum and an imperceptible hint of zest. Score : 14.5/20 (88/100)

Pascal Renaud - Aux Chailloux 2016

Pouilly-Fuissé

The nose is fruity, chiseled and offers intensity, elegance as well as gourmandise. It reveals notes of pear, passion fruit, flowers / rose and small notes of vanilla associated with fine hints of ripe citrus and a discreet hint of racy minerality. The wine needs to be decanted. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, gourmande and offers a fine suavity, intensity, a beautiful freshness, a beautiful definition as well as a beautiful acid / juicy frame (ripe/juicy citrus). On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed Brugnon, pear, lychee and sweet pink grapefruit associated with small / slight touches of lemon as well as an imperceptible hint of flowers (in the background) and racy minerality. Good length. Beautifu persistence (with a discreet toasted hint / vanilla and almond).

Score : 16/20 (92/100)

Pascal Renaud - Vieilles Vignes 2017 Pouilly-Fuissé

The nose is fresh, fruity and (very) slightly tight. It reveals notes of crunchy/ripe apple, pink grapefruit and small notes of vine peach combined with touches of lemon / mandarin, crunchy pear as well as a very subtle hint of mandarin, minerality and vanilla. The palate is fruity, juicy, wellbalanced, mineral, racy, clean and offers intensity, finesse, a beautiful dynamism, freshness, a beautiful precision as well as

a chiseled side. On the palate this wine

expresses notes of ripe lemon, guenette / lychee and small notes of vine peach associated with fine touches of sweet pink grapefruit, minerality and a hint of lemon zest. Good length.

Score : 16.25+/20 (93/100)

Pascal & Mireille Renaud - Aux Insarts 2016 Pouilly-Fuissé

The nose is fruity, fresh, precise, elegant and offers a small incisive side. It reveals notes of ripe lemon, ripe peach and small notes of exotic fruit associated with fine touches of fresh white fruit and vanilla. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, beautifuly defined, gourmande, elegant and offers a beautiful texture, delicacy, a good freshness, a beautiful precision, a small aerial side, a beautiful acid frame, a small tension as well as dynamism. On the palate this wine expresses notes of quenette, lychee, juicy / ripe vine peach and small notes of ripe lemon associated with fine touches of tangerine, racy minerality as well as very discreet toasted hints and butter /vanilla. Good length. Score : 16.75/20 (93-94/100)

Domaine Joël Curveux & Fils -Vers Cras 2016 Pouilly-Fuissé

The nose is fruity, fresh and offers a racy minerality. It reveals notes of lemon zest, apple and small notes of juicy lemon associated with hints of ripe pineapple and crunchy brugnon. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, dynamic, precise and offers a good definition, an acid frame, a beautiful fat, a beautiful definition, elegance, a good freshness, a small straightness as well as a fine incisive side. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy lemon, crushed brugnon, zest and small notes of flowers associated with touches of quenette, papaya as well as discreet hints of quince and an imperceptible touch of butter / almond in the background/persistence. Good length.

Score : 16.25/20 (92-93/100)

Domaine Joël Curveux & Fils - Les Ménestrières 2016

Pouilly-Fuissé

The nose is fresh, racy and chiseled. It reveals notes of lemon and apple associated with small notes of fresh citrus, crunchy brugnon, fresh flowers and very discreet hints of fresh quenette. The palate is fresh, fruity, well-balanced, fine, precise, clean, dynamic and offers a beautiful precision, tension, a beautiful minerality as well as a beautiful definition. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon, quenette and small notes of brugnon, rose associated with fine touches of apple, racy minerality, pineapple as well as discreet hints of zest. Good length.

Score : 16.5/20 (93/100)

Closerie des Alisiers - Trilogie de Terroirs 2016 Pouilly-Fuissé

The nose is fruity, fresh, well-balanced and slightly gourmand / fleshy. It reveals notes of pear, apple and small notes of quenette associated with fine touches of fresh citrus and a hint of lime / fresh flowers. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, mineral and offers tension as well as a fine mineral frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy apple and juicy brugnon

associated with fine touches of crunchy pineapple, juicy lemon as well as hints of flint. Good length.

Score : $1\overline{4}.75 \pm 20$ (89/100)

Domaine Luquet - Cuvée Terroir 2016 Pouilly-Fuissé

The nose is fruity. It reveals notes of vine peach, juicy pear and small notes of citrus associated with a touch of quenette and discreet hints of rose. The palate is fruity, fresh, mineral, well-balanced, round, racy, precise and offers fat, a beautiful acid frame, tension and a beautiful grain. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy vine peach, crunchy brugnon and

small notes of apple associated with touches of citrus, racy minerality and a very discreet touch of zest. Good length. Good persistence (there is an imperceptible toasted hint).

Score : 15.5+/20 (91/100)

Domaine Luquet - Vieilles Vignes 2016 Pouilly-Fuissé

The nose is fresh, fruity and offers juiciness, crunchiness as well as a fine intensity. It reveals notes of fleshy brugnon, fresh pear and small notes of quince associated with fine touches of citrus, racy minerality as well as a very discreet hint of flowers. The palate is fruity, fresh, well-balanced and offers a racy minerality, freshness, a small chiseled side, a fine intensity, a good roundness, a very fine straightness as well as an acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crunchy brugnon, quince and small notes of pear associated with small touches of citrus, juicy physalis as well as an imperceptible touch of butter. Good length.

Score : 15.5/20 (90-91/100)

Domaine Luquet - Au Bourg 2015 Pouilly-Fuissé

The nose is fresh, fruity and offers a very fine concentration. It reveals notes of quince, pear and small notes of mirabelle plum associated with fine hints of apple, fresh citrus mesocarp and an imperceptible touch of fresh flowers. The palate is fruity, fresh, well-balanced and offers fat, a small tension, a racy minerality, an acid frame as well as precision. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy brugnon, crunchy pear, quince and small note of



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physalis associated with fine touches of racy minerality and citrus zest. Good length.

Score : 15+/20 (89-90/100)

Pierre Vessigaud - Vers Pouilly 2016 Pouilly-Fuissé

The nose is fruity, gourmand and offers a small fleshiness as well as elegance. The wine needs to be decanted. It reveals notes of quenette and crushed peach associated with hints of citrus, quince as well as discreet hints of juicy tangerine, flowers and vanilla. The mouth is fruity, well-balanced, racy, elegant and offers a beautiful definition, a small juiciness, straightness, precision, a racy minerality, subtlety, a good guideline, a beautiful roundness as well as a fine acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon and crushed vine peach combined with small notes of quince, crushed mirabelle plum as well as small touches of apple, quenette and an imperceptible toasted hint / butter (in background). Good length and good persistence. Score : 16+/20 (92-93/100)

Pierre Vessigaud - Vers Agnières 2016 Pouilly-Fuissé

The nose is fresh, elegant, quite aromatic, racy, very discreetly tight and offers minerality. It reveals notes of vine peach, quenette and small notes of ripe apple, exotic fruits associated with discreet touches of ripe citrus (pink grape-fruit, mandarin), rose, very discreet hints of racy minerality and an imperceptible toasted touch. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, elegant, precise and offers a beautiful minerality, a beautiful guideline, dynamism, a fine straightness, freshness as well as a fine acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed vine peach, crushed pear and small notes of citrus associated with touches of exotic fruit / quenette and filnt. Good length.

Score : 16.25/20(92-93/100)

Pierre Vessigaud - Vieilles Vignes 2016 Pouilly-Fuissé

The nose is fresh, mineral and elegant. It reveals notes of quenette, ripe Brugnon and small notes of apple associated with touches of quince, flowers and very discreet hints of butter. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good definition, a fine acid frame, a beautiful minerality, a beautiful definition / expression, dynamism, a racy minerality as well as a good finesse of the grain. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon, quince and crushed vine peach associated with small touches of apple, quenette, juicy lychee, rose as well as small hints of butter and an imperceptible touch of ripe almond on the finish/ in the background. Good length and good persistence. Score : 16/20 (92/100)

Domaine Jean-Pierre Sève -Sélection Vieilles Vignes 2016 Pouilly-Fuissé

The nose is fruity, crunchy and racy. It reveals notes of crunchy apple, quince and touches of juicy mirabelle plum combined with fine hints of peach and discreet hints of butter. The mouth is fruity, well-balanced, very discreetly tight and offers a good definition, suavity, a beautiful roundness, fat, a mineral frame, a very fine acidity (in the background), a small density, a beautiful juiciness as well as a small tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of quince, crunchy apple and small notes of mirabelle plum associated with subtle hints of crushed peach, butter as well as a discreet hint of ripe mandarin and vanilla. Good length.

Score : 15.25+/20 (90-91/100)

Domaine Jean-Pierre Sève -Anthilde 2015 Pouilly-Fuissé

The nose is fresh and offers juiciness as well as a racy minerality. It reveals notes of fresh lemon, fresh / juicy brugnon and small notes of quince associated with a very discreet hint of crushed kumquat, flowers, fine minerality and butter. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, fresh, precise and offers juiciness, a beautiful definition, a racy minerality, a small dynamism as well as an uncutosity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy lemon, kumquat and quince associated with small notes of crushed Brugnon as well as toasted

touches and butter / vanilla. Good length. Score : 15.5/20 (90-91/100)

Deux Roches - Les Crays 2016 Pouilly-Fuissé

The nose is fruity. It reveals notes of quince and crunchy physalis associated with small notes of chalk, crunchy nectarine and a discreet hint of apple. The palate is fresh, fruity, well-balanced, mineral (terroir / chalk) and offers a beautiful definition, precision, tension, roundness as well as a fine acid frame (in the background). On the palate this wine expresses notes of fresh / juicy lemon, juicy / crunchy physalis and slightly apple associated with discreet touches of zest and quince. Good length. There is an imperceptible touch of almond on the aftertaste / persistence. Small gourmandise on the finish / persistence.

Score : 14.75+/20 (89/100)

Domaine Jean-Pierre Sève - Aux Chailloux 2015 Pouilly-Fuissé

The nose is aromatic and offers a very fine intensity as well as a fine freshness (in the background). It reveals notes of quince, juicy nectarine and vanilla associated with touches of butter, quince as well as discreet hints of citrus and an imperceptible hint of almond. The palate is fruity, juicy, mineral, well-balanced and offers a good definition, a beautiful acid frame, suavity, roundness, a small tension, a fine gourmandise as well as roundness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy lemon, quince and juicy mirabelle plum associated with small notes of brugnon / pear as well as fine touches of butter and fine toasted touches. Good length.

Score : 15+/20 (89-90/100)

Pascal & Mireille Renaud - Aux Bouthières 2015 Pouilly-Fuissé

The nose is aromatic, fruity, elegant and offers a small intensity, a fine gourmandise, complexity as well as a racy minerality. It reveals notes of fleshy pears, fleshy / juicy peache, quince and small notes of zests, citrus fruit combined with touches of fleshy mirabelle plum, fine minerality as well as discreet hints of almond. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good definition, a beautiful roundness, a beautiful suavity, a beautiful expression, a fine tension, a fine acid frame, a racy minerality, freshness, a (very) slight unctuosity, finesse as well as precision. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy / crunchy nectarine, quince and small notes of citrus associated with small touches of zest, mirabelle plum, crushed pear, racy minerality and an imperceptible touch of butter / beeswax. Good length. Score: 16.5/20 (93/100)

Domaine Rijckaert - Les Bouthières 2015 Vieilles Vignes Pouilly-Fuissé

The nose is fruity. The wine needs a lot to be put in carafe. It reveals notes of quince, zest and small notes of kumquat associated with a touch of crushed mirabelle plum, a touch of peach as well as discreet hints of fine minerality and an imperceptible hint of beeswax. The palate is fruity, suave, delicate, precise, racy, slightly concentrated / intense, well-balanced and offers gourmandise, a fine minerality, a very fine acid frame, a beautiful definition as well as a beautiful fat / roundness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed Brugnon, quince, crushed pear and small notes of vanilla associated with touches of mirabelle plum as well as discreet hints of ripe almond, beeswax and an imperceptible hint of zests. Good length and persistence. The persistence is quite gourmande.

Score : 15.5+/20 (91/100)

Domaine Jean-Pierre Sève - Terroir 2016 Pouilly-Fuissé

The nose is mineral and racy. The wine needs to be put in carafe. It reveals notes of crunchy peach, quince and small notes of apple associated with touches of racy minerality and an imperceptible hint of small yellow fruits. The palate is fruity, juicy, well-balanced and offers a beautiful acidulous frame, a fine roundness as well as tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crunchy nectarine and juicy pear combined with small notes of ripe quince,

ripe / juicy mandarin as well as fine touches of racy minerality and lychee. Good length. Gourmandise and fine suavity on the finish / persistence. Score : $15.25 \pm 20 (90 - 91/100)$

Domaine Carrette - Les Crays 2016 Pouilly-Fuissé

The nose is elegant and racy. The wine needs to be put in carafe. It reveals notes of pear, quince and fine touches of citrus associated with fine hints of butter and fine toasted hints. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, racy and offers a fine acid frame, a fine minerality racy, juiciness, gourmandise, a fine tension, a good structure as well as a beautiful definition. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe citrus (lemon, grapefruit), quince and small notes of white fruits associated with fine toasted touches, butter as well as a very discreet hint of small yellow fuits. Good length. Score : 15.75 + /20 (91-92/100)

Domaine Carrette - Ronchevat 2016 Pouilly-Fuissé

The nose is fruity and offers a fine intensity as well as a fine richness. The wine need to be put in carafe. It reveals notes of quince, ripe apple and small notes of Brugnon associated with touches of vanilla, ripe / juicy citrus as well as a very discreet hint of quenette and butter. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a beautiful racy minerality, a beautiful roundness, a good definition, gourmandise, elegance, a fine acid frame (in the background), a very fine tension as well as a good grain. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy / crushed brugnon, apple and small notes of citrus associated with fine touches of zest. Good length. Score : $16 \pm / 20 (92-93/100)$

Marcel Couturier - Le Bourg 2016

Pouilly-Loché

The nose is fruity, juicy, a bit gourmand and offers a fine concentration. It reveals notes of juicy lemon, juicy peach and small notes of quince associated with a hint of butter and small yellow fruits. The palate is fruity, juicy, mineral, well-balanced, precise and offers a good definition, suavity, roundness, a good structure as well as a racy minerality. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon, quince and crushed brugnon associated with touches of juicy mandarin, juicy quenette, beeswax as well as a discreet hint of passion fruit and discreet toasted touches / vanilla. Good length. Beautiful juiciness ! Score : 16+/20 (92-93/100)

Domaine Luquet - La Colonge 2016 Pouilly-Loché

The nose is fresh, juicy, fruity and well-balanced. It reveals notes of quince, fresh fleshy peach and small notes fleshy yellow fruits associated with touches of apple, vanilla and fine hints of citrus and an imperceptible hint of flowers (in the background). The palate is fruity, juicy, well-balanced and offers a beautiful freshness, an acid frame, a beautiful minerality, a small roundness, tension and precision. On the palate this wine expresses notes of quince and kumquat fresh / fleshy associated with touches of fresh / juicy peach as well as discreet hints of pear, citrus and vanilla / butter. Good length. Score : 15+/20 (89-90/100)

Marcel Couturier - Vieilles Vignes 2016 Pouilly-Loché

The nose is racy. It needs to be decanted. It reveals notes of quince, crunchy peach and small notes of physalis associated with touches of racy minerality, flowers and an imperceptible touch of butter / vanilla. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers roundness, fat, tension, a small gourmandise, a beautiful fat, a small unctuosity, elegance as well as juiciness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed apple, pear and small notes of quince associated with fine touches of peach as well as hints of butter, racy minerality and an imperceptible hint of lemon (in the background). Good length. Score : $15.5 \pm /20 (91/100)$

Deux Roches - Les Terres Noires 2016 Saint-Véran

The nose is fresh, fruity and offers a fine racy minerality. It reveals notes of

fresh lemon and racy minerality (terroir) associated with small touches of fleshy yellow fruits / quince, a discreet hint of apple and an imperceptible touch of toasted almond. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, fat and offers a racy minerality, a very fine acid frame (in the background) as well as fleshiness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy / crunchy brugnon, fleshy pear and small notes of ripe / juicy citrus (lemon, mandarin) associated with fine touches of kumquat, mirabelle plum and an imperceptible hint of almond / butter (in the background). Good length. Score : 14.75+/20 (89/100)

Closerie des Alisiers 2017 Saint-Véran

The nose is fruity, juicy and offers fleshiness as well as a fine gourmandise. It reveals notes of juicy vine peach and small notes of juicy lemon, apple associated with fine touches of crunchy pineapple as well as an imperceptible hint of flowers (in the background). The palate is fruity, well-balanced, a bit tight and offers a good definition, a fine mineral frame, fat as well as a fine straightness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy / crunchy brugnon, crunchy apple and small notes of quince associated with fine touches of lychee / quenette as well as a very discreet touch of butter / beeswax. Good length and good persistence. There is a discreet hint of bitterness on the persistence. Score : 15.25/20 (90/100)

Domaine Rijckaert - En Crêches 2016, Vieilles Vignes Seint Véran

Saint-Véran

The nose is aromatic and fruity. The wine needs to be decanted. It reveals notes of quince, crunchy brugnon and small notes of apple associated with hints of fresh almond, racy minerality as well as discreet hints of fresh flowers and an imperceptible hint of beeswax. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers good definition, a fine acid frame, a fine juiciness, precision, elegance, gourmandise, a certain complexity as well as a fine tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe Brugnon, crunchy apple and small notes of juicy pear associated with small touches of quince, lemon as well as a discreet hint of crunchy pineapple, beeswax, minerality racy and almond. Good length and good persistence.

Score : 16/20(92/100)

L'œuvre de Perraud 2016 Saint-Véran

The nose reveals notes of fleshy peach, pear and small notes of quince associated with a discreet hint of lemon and an imperceptible touch of beeswax. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good definition, a fine acid frame, a racy minerality, a small juiciness as well as a beautiful freshness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy / fleshy peach, apple and small notes of quince associated with a discreet hint of small yellow fruits / juicy mirabelle plum as well as a very discreet hint of butter and an imperceptible touch of ripe almond. The finish is very fine. Good length and persistence. Score : $15.5 \pm / 20 (91/100)$

Deux Roches - Vieilles Vignes 2016 Saint-Véran

The nose is fresh, racy and fruity. It reveals notes of quince, mirabelle plum and small touches of peach associated with small touches of citrus, racy minerality as well as a discreet hint of crushed lemon. The palate is fruity, fresh, well-balanced and offers a fine suavity, finesse, tension, a good definition, a good guideline as well as a fine acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy lemon, quince and juicy mirabelle plum associated with touches of physalis, juicy tangerine as well as a very discreet hint of lychee, lemon peel and a very discreet butter / toasted hint. Good length. Score : 15.25/20 (90/100)

Domaine Chardigny - Vieilles Vignes 2016 Saint-Véran

The nose is fruity. It needs to be put in carafe. It reveals notes of lemon, physalis and small notes of quince associated with touches of almond and oak. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, (very) slightly tight and offers a good definition, a fine juicy / acid frame, a fine minerality, freshness as well as roundness. On

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the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy lemon, quince, pear and small notes of peach associated with touches of mirabelle plum and an imperceptible touch of almond / oak on the finish / persistence. Score : 14.75/20 (88-89/100)

Domaine Chardigny - Les Cornillaux 2016 Saint-Véran

The nose is fruity, fleshy and offers gourmandise, freshness, a (very) slight richness as well as a (very) slightly power / intensity. It reveals notes of pear, brugnon and small notes of mirabelle plum associated with fine touches of quince, juicy / ripe citrus as well as discreet hints of butter and almond. The palate is fruity, juicy, well-balanced and offers a good definition, a good structure, a mineral frame, a fine acidity, a fine tension, a good juiciness, a beautiful tension as well as elegance. On the palate this wine expresses notes of quince, juicy lemon and small notes of mirabelle plum associated with hints of quince, physalis as well as subtle hints of beeswax and almond. Good length and beautiful persistence (with slight toasted hints, butter and almond). Score : 16/20 (92/100)

Pascal Renaud - Champs de Perdrix 2016 Saint-Véran

The nose is fruity, juicy, elegant and racy. It reveals notes of juicy / ripe lemon, quince and small notes of physalis associated with touches of white fruit, a discreet hint of kumquat / small yellow fruits as well as an imperceptible touch of flowers and almond. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, elegant, racy and offers a good definition, a beautiful mineral frame, a fine acidity, juiciness, precision, a fine tension, a small fleshiness, gourmandis, a slight aerial side, a good volume, a beautiful roundness, a beautiful definition as well as a beautiful and slightly unctuous matter. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy peach, ripe / fleshy lemon and small notes of quince, Williams pear associated with touches of mirabelle plum, apple, a discreet hint of zest as well as a very discreet toasted touch / beeswax and vanilla. Good length. Score : 16.25 + /20 (93/100)

Domaine Rijckaert - Les Vercherres 2016, Vieilles Vignes Viré-Clessé

The nose is aromatic and offers delicacy. The wine needs to be put in carafe. It reveals notes of quince, crushed brugnon and toasted notes associated with small notes of crushed mirabelle plum / physalis, touches of pear, quenette as well as discreet hints of citrus, spices and butter. The palate is juicy, fruity, well-balanced, delicate, elegant, precise and offers finesse, a fine acidulous frame, crunchiness as well as a beautiful roundness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crunchy vine peach, juicy green apple and small notes of kumquat associated with small touches of citrus, physalis as well as discreet hints of quenette, butter and a touch of very discreet toasted hint / beeswax (in the background). Good length. Very beautiful and gournande persistence (with hints of almond, vanilla and fleshy fruits).

Score : $16.5 \pm 20 (93-94/100)$

RED BOURGOGNE : CÔTE DE NUITS

Domaine de la Poulette - Vierville 2016 Côte de Nuits Villages

The nose is fruity, well-structured, racy and offers power, finesse as well as a fine delicacy. It reveals notes of cherry, blackberry, juicy berries and a touch of ripe raspberries combined with discreet hints of flowers, liquorice, sweet spices as well as an imperceptible hint of caramelized wood and gray pepper. The mouth is fruity, well-balanced, elegant and offers a good definition, a fine juicy frame, gourmandise, a small fleshiness, a good structure, a small fat as well as finesse. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy blackberry, fleshy raspberry and small notes of berries associated with a hint of fleshy Quetsche plum, flowers, spices as well as discreet toasted hints and blond tobacco. Tannins are well-built and elegant. Good length. Chew on the finish. Score $:16.25 + /20 \ (93/100)$

Domaine Dupasquier & Fils 2016 Nuits-Saint-Georges

The nose is fruity and offers a fine intensity. It reveals notes of ripe strawberries, cassis and small berries associated with discreet touches of Sichuan pepper, spices and an imperceptible touch of flowers / cassis bud. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good definition, suavity, fat, a mineral frame, a fine acidity, a very fine tension as well as a good structure. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy raspberry, fleshy cherry and small notes of fleshy plum associated with fine hints of zan, sweet spices, toasted oak as well as a very discreet hint of violet and chocolate. Tannins are fine and (very) discreetly dry. Good length.

Score : 15.75+/20 (91-92/100)

Domaine Fleurot - Closerie des Alisiers - Vieilles Vignes 2016

Nuits-Saint-Georges

The nose is fruity and offers a fine richness, elegance as well as a fine concentration / power. It reveals notes of redcurrant, cherry and small notes of flowers associated with discreet touches of cassis and an imperceptible touch of Sichuan pepper and spices. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good definition, juiciness, fleshiness, a fine tension, a very fine straightness, a small roundness as well as a fine minerality. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy redcurrant, fleshy raspberry and small notes of cherry associated with touches of small berries as well as discreet touches of licorice / zan, wood and a very discreet hint of chocolate.

Score : 15.5+/20 (91/100)

Domaine de la Poulette - Clos des Poulettes 2016

Nuits-Saint-Georges 1er Cru

The nose is fruity, aromatic, elegant, racy and offers a fine intensity / power. It reveals notes of cassis, black cherry and small notes of blueberry, strawberry associated with touches of gray pepper, discreet hints of violet, liquorice, toasted / caramelized oak as well as an imperceptible touch of vanilla, chocolate and ripe almond. The palate is fruity, juicy, well-balanced, fine, elegant, racy and offers a beautiful acid / acidulous frame, minerality, precision, gourmandise as well as a beautiful and pure fruit. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed raspberry and crushed redcurrant combined with small notes of cassis, blackberry, cherry as well as touches of tonka bean, sweet spices and an imperceptible hint of flowers / racy minerality (in the background). Tannins are fine, elegant and very discreetly chewy. Good length. Gourmandise and a very discreet chew on the finish.

Score : 16.25/20 (92-93/100)

Domaine de la Poulette - Les Vaucrains 2006 Nuits-Saint-Georges 1^{er} Cru

The nose is fruity / aromatic, elegant, racy and offers a very fine richness. The wine needs to be decanted. It reveals notes of ripe red fruits and ripe wild red berries associated with small touches of blackberry, blueberry as well as subtle hints of dried flowers, crushed wild strawberry, licorice and Sichuan pepper. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, gourmand, elegant and offers a beautiful definition, a beautiful suavity, a small fat, a fine tension / straightness, a fine acid frame as well as a good structure. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy cherry, crushed redcurrant and small notes of blackberry associated with fine touches of cassis, subtle hints of plum, liquorice as well as discreet touches of spices and a very discreet hint of gray pepper (in the background). Tannins are fine, elegant and supple. The finish is slightly firm. There is a very discreet hint of dried almond on the finish.

Score : 16.75/20 (93-94/100)

R. Dubois & Fils 2015

Côte de Nuits-Villages

The nose is fruity, mineral and finely concentrated. The wine wins to be decanted. There are notes of blackberry and wild strawberry combined with hints of crushed berries, black cherry skin, touches of spice, chocolate and subtle hints of gray pepper. The palate is fruity, balanced and offers a nice mineral texture, juiciness, a fine suavity, fat, a fine freshness and a fleshy end. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy blackberry and fleshy raspberry



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associated with fine touches of jammy red berries, blueberry and liquorice tips, vanilla and an imperceptible touch of chocolate / tonka bean. The tannins are well led. Good length.

Score : 15.5/20 (90-91/100)

Clos St-Louis 2016 -

Côte de Nuits-Villages

The nose is fruity, structured and offers a fine intensity. It reveals notes of crushed black cherry, raspberry and small notes of strawberry associated with hints of blackberry, flowers, a hint of Sichuan pepper as well as a subtle hint of tobacco and zan. The palate is fruity, slightly tight, well-balanced and offers a good definition, a small gournandise, precision, freshness as well as a beautiful juiciness / fleshiness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy cherry, raspberry and small notes of jammy red berries associated with touches of blueberry, strawberry as well as discreet toasted touches, vanilla / sweet spices and a discreet hint of liquorice. Tannins are well-built. Good length. Score : 15.25 + /20 (90-91/100)

Domaine Petitot - Les Monts de Boncourt 2016 Côte de Nuits-Villages

The nose is aromatic, (very) slightly tight and offers elegance. The wine needs to be decanted. It reveals notes of cherry, wild raspberry and crushed redcurrants combined with fine touches of cassis, violet, licorice, spices as well as a hint of Sichuan pepper. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, racy, well built and offers a good definition, fleshiness, a fine unctuosity, a small tension, a fine acid frame, a fine aerial side, a small freshness as well as a small gourmandise. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy raspberry, crushed redcurrants and small notes of cassis associated with small touches of cherry, rose / cassis bud as well as discreet hints of zan and an imperceptible touch of tobacco. Tannins are well-built. Good length.

Score : 15.25+/20 (90-91/100)

Domaine Pansiot - Les Chantemerles 2016 Côte de Nuits-Villages

The nose is precise, spicy and finely powerful. The wine needs to be decanted. It reveals notes of wild red berries, crunchy cherry and small notes of gray pepper associated with slight touches of cassis, cassis bud as well as a discreet hint of zan. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, gourmand, precise and offers juiciness, a fine freshness, a beautiful guideline, fleshiness, unctuousity as well as a small acid / acidulous frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed redcurrants, crushed cherry and slight notes fleshy raspberry associated with fine touches of cassis, fleshy plum, slight hints of cassis bud, rose as well as an imperceptible hint of tea and black pepper (in the background). Tannins are well-built. Good length.

Score : 15.25+/20 (90-91/100)

Domaine Fabrice Vigot - Vieilles Vignes 2015 Nuits-St-Georges

The nose is fruity and offers elegance. It reveals notes of fleshy / juicy redcurrant, wild raspberry and small notes of crunchy cherry associated with subtle hints of blackberry, a very discreet hint of flowers as well as an imperceptible hint of tonka bean and Cuben pepper (in the background). The palate is fruity, well-balanced, gourmande, elegant, precise and offers a beautiful suavity, unctuousity, freshness, an acid frame, dynamism, a beautiful roundness as well as delicacy. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed redcurrants, fleshy cherry and small notes of crunchy wild strawberry associated with touches of crushed cassis, plum, liquorice as well as an imperceptible hint of flowers (in the background) and an imperceptible toasted hint (in the background). Tannins are well-built.

Score : 15.75+/20 (91-92/100)

Domaine de la Poulette -Les Vaucrains 2015 Nuits-Saint-Georges 1er Cru

The nose is fruity, aromatic and offers intensity as well as a very fine concentration / power. It reveals notes of cherry, crushed red berries and a touch of Quetsche plum, cassis / cassis leaves combined with discreet hints of licorice, Sichuan pepper, racy minerality and a toasted touch /spices. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good definition, a fine juiciness, a small minerality as well as an acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crunchy red cherry, red berries and small notes of cassis associated with fine touches blackberry, cassis leaf, crushed strawberry as well as discreet touches of licorice, rose and a very discreet hint of sweet spices. Tannins are well-built. There are an imperceptible touch of chocolate and an imperceptible almond on the finish.

Score : 16+/20 (92-93/100)

Domaine Fabrice Vigot - Vieilles Vignes 2014 Nuits-St-Georges

The nose is fruity, racy, finely powerful and offers elegance. It reveals notes of cherry and red berries associated with small notes of blueberry, violet as well as discreet hints of cassis, zan and an imperceptible touch of spices / Cuben pepper. The palate is fruity, juicy, well-balanced and offers good definition, a fine acid frame, juiciness, a good guideline, precision as well as a good structure. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed cherry and fleshy raspberry combined with small notes of blueberry, crunchy red berries as well as discreet hints of licorice and an imperceptible touch of sweet spices. Good length.

Score : 15.5/20 (90-91/100)

Domaine de la Poulette - Clos des Poulettes 2009

Nuits-Saint-Georges 1er Cru

The nose is aromatic, elegant and offers finesse, a fine intensity as well as a fine depthness. The wine needs to be decanted. It reveals notes of red berries, black cherries, blackberry and small notes of cassis associated with discreet hints of gray pepper, zan as well as a discreet hint of rose / violet and an imperceptible hint of camphor. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, precise, suave, well-built and offers roundness, a beautiful definition, suavity, elegance as well as an acid pattern. On the palate this wine expresses notes of redcurrants / red berries, black cherry and small notes of blueberry associated with small touches of wild strawberry, discreet touches of liquorice, flowers (rose, cassis bud) as well as a very discreet hint of sweet spices / chocolate. Tannins are fine and well-built. Good length. There is an imperceptible touch of ripe almond on the finish / persistence.

Score : 16+/20 (92-93/100)

Domaine Bruno Clair - Les Grasses Têtes 2014 Marsannay

The nose is aromatic, elegant and racy. The wine needs to be decanted. It reveals notes of blackberry, wild strawberry and plum associated with touches of wild raspberry, spices, pepper, nutmeg as well as discreet hints of tea. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, suave and offers gourmandise, a good structure, a small straightness, fat, elegance, a beautiful delicacy, a small aerial side, freshness, a beautiful acid frame as well as roundness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of wild strawberry, fleshy red berries and small notes of plum associated with fine touches of cassis, black cherry as well as hints of liquorice, sweet blond tobacco / flowers, a discreet hint of spices and an imperceptible hints of almond, tonka bean and tea on the persistence. Score: 16+/20 (92-93/100)

Closerie des Alisiers - Vieilles Vignes 2015 Marsannay

The nose is fruity and offers a fine intensity. It reveals notes of cherry, redcurrant and small notes of crushed blackberry associated with small touches of strawberry, chocolate, gray pepper and a discreet touch of minerality. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, suave, quite supple and offers a good definition, finesse, a fine freshness as well as a very fine acid frame (in the background). On the palate this wine expresses notes of black cherry, plum and blackberry combined with small notes of strawberry / ripe redcurrant as well as fine touches of chocolate and sweet spices / nutmeg. Tannins are well-built. Good length.

Score : 15.25+/20 (90-91/100)

CÔTE DE BEAUNE

Maison Champy 2015

Aloxe-Corton

The nose is aromatic and elegant. The wine needs to be decanted. It reveals notes of crushed blackberry, cassis and flowers (violet, iris, cornflower) combined with small notes of small red berries as well as subtle hints of nutmeg, green cardamom and Bourbon vanilla. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, fresh, elegant, racy and offers delicacy, power, a fine tension, gourmandise as well as a slightly tight grain. On the palate this wine expresses notes of blackberry, wild strawberry and redcurrant combined with small notes of flowers (violet, cornflower, iris) as well as subtle hints of sweet spices and a very discreet toasted hint / vanilla (in the background). Tannins are fine, elegant and finely firm.

Score : 16+/20 (92-93/100)

Domaine Chevalier 2015

Aloxe-Corton

The nose is powerful, elegant, aromatic and racy. It reveals notes of blackberry, cherry, strawberry and small notes of ripe berries associated with small touches of flowers, plum, discreet hints of Cuben pepper, chocolate, sweet spices and (very) discreet hints of sweet blond tobacco and vanilla. The palate is fruity, delicate, gourmande, melodious, elegant and offers a beautiful definition, a beautiful suavity, a beautiful finesse of the grain as wrll as a fine acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy plum, fleshy strawberry and small notes of fleshy raspberry associated with fine touches of blackberry as well as discreet hints of chocolate, flowers, toasted, racy minerality and an imperceptible hint of vanilla. Tannins are fine and elegant. Very fine chews on the persistence.

Score : 16.25+/20 (93/100)

Joseph Drouhin 2016

Chorev-Les Beaune

The nose is fruity, intense and offers power as well as elegance. It reveals notes of black cherry and strawberry associated with small notes of blackberry, gray pepper and discreet hints of blueberry, licorice, discreet toasted hints / chocolate and an imperceptible touch of coffee. The palate is fruity, juicy, wellbalanced and offers good definition, a fine acid frame, minerality, roundness, elegance as well as a fine suavity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of black cherry, ripe / fleshy plum and small notes of berries associated with touches of strawberry as well as discreet touches of licorice, gray pepper and cocoa bean. Tannins are fine and supple. Score : 15.75/20 (91-92/100)

Maison Champy 2015 Chorey Les Beaune

The nose is fruity, finely powerful and offers a fine concentration. It reveals notes of cherry and wild berries associated with small notes of black cherry, blackcurrant and subtle touches of racy minerality, flowers and Sichuan pepper. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, precise and offers a good definition, an acidulous frame, juiciness, roundness, suavity, a fine straightness as well as a a (very) slightly tight grain. On the palate this wine expresses notes of cherry, juicy / crunchy redcurrant and small notes of blackberry associated with fine touches of tonka bean, minerality as well as small hints of cardamom, tea and sweet spices. Tannins are supple. Good length. Score : 15.25/20 (90/100)

Maison Champy 2015

Savigny-Les-Beaune

The nose is powerful and fruity. The wine needs to be decanted. It reveals notes of cassis, ripe strawberry and ripe redcurrant associated with touches of flowers, Cuben pepper, spices, toasted touches and a discreet nutmeg. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, racy and offers fleshy, tension, greed and a fine acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy wild raspberry, ripe redcurrant and small notes of strawberry combined with a subtle hint of plum as well as discreet toasted hints, spices and an imperceptible touch of blond tobacco. Tannins are well-built. The finish is discreetly tight. Good length. Score : 16/20(92/100)

Maison Champy - Les Vergelesses Savigny-Les-Beaune, 1er Cru

The nose is fruity and offers power, concentration, elegance as well as a small complexity. The wine needs to be decanted. It reveals notes of cherry, blueberry, crushed strawberry and chocolate associated with small touches of iammy redcurrant, sweet spices, small toasted touches and a very discreet hint of vanilla. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, precise, very slightly tight and offers a good definition, an acid frame, elegance, a good guideline as well as density. On the palate this wine expresses notes of black cherry, ripe strawberry, plum and small notes of crushed raspberry associated with discreet hints of racy minerality, flowers, tonka bean, discreet toasted hints and vanilla. Tannins are well-built. Good length and good persistence. There is a hint of chocolate on the persistence.

Score : 16.25+/20 (93/100)

Maison Champy - Vieilles Vignes 2015 Beaune

The nose is fruity, precise, aromatic and racy. It reveals notes of black cherry, plum and small notes of blackberry associated with small notes of crushed berries, Sichuan pepper, dark chocolate and spices. The palate is fruity, wellbalanced and offers juiciness, racy minerality, a fine tension as well as a fine acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of black cherry, juicy blackberry, juicy plum and small notes of red berries associated with discreet hints of spicy Sichuan pepper, Ceylon tea, chocolate and a very discreet toasted hint. Tannins are fine, precise and (very) slightly firm. Good length. Good persistence with touches of chocolate (brings gourmandise). Score : 16+/20 (92-93/100)

Maison Champy - Aux Cras 2015 Beaune, Premier Cru

The nose is aromatic, elegant and offers power, intensity as well as a small richness. It reveals notes of crushed cassis, blackberry and chocolate combined with fine notes of strawberry, flowers and discreet hints of spices. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, precise, elegant and offers a good definition, a racy minerality, a fine acid frame, a fine freshness, a beautiful matter, a beautiful definition as well as delicacy. On the palate this wine expresses notes of blackberry, crushed cassis and wild strawberry combined with small touches of ripe redcurrant, chocolate, violet as well as subtle touches of sweet spices and vanilla. Beautiful persistence.

Score : 16.75/20 (93-94/100)

Domaine du Château de Meursault 2016 Beaune Toussaints, 1er Cru

The nose is elegant, fruity and offers power, depthness and intensity. The wine needs to be decanted. It reveals notes of red berries, cassis and gray pepper associated with small notes of cherry, fleshy wild raspberry, subtle touches of spices, nutmeg as well as an imperceptible touch of flowers and chocolate (background). The mouth is fruity, well-balanced, gourmande, elegant, racy and offers juiciness, fleshiness, a beautiful fat, a beautiful density, a mineral frame, a beauitul precision, a small straightness, a beautiful matter as well as a small freshness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed redcurrant, crushed cherry and small notes of blackberry associated with small touches of fleshy plum, discreet hints of flowers as well as a subtle hint of tonka bean, wood, vanilla, zan and an imperceptible hint of ripe hazelnut (in the background). Tannins are fine, elegant, straight and slightly firm. Good length. $Score\,:16.5\pm/20\,(93-94/100)$

Domaine du Château de Meursault - Les Trois Journaux 2016

Beaune-Greves, 1er Cru

The nose is fruity, elegant, precise, racy and well-built. It reveals notes of cassis, red berries and small notes of crushed raspberry associated with small touches of flowers, cassis bud, spices and a very discreet hint of Sichuan pepper. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, precise, racy, delicate, gourmande and offers a good definition, a beautiful mineral frame, roundness, a beautiful elegance, dynamism, a fine juiciness, a fine fleshiness as well as gourmandise. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy red berries, red cherry and small notes of wild raspberry associated with touches of cassis, wild black63

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berry, fine touches of flowers, discreet hints of spices, liquorice as well as an imperceptible toasted touches / ripe almond and sweet spices (in the background). Tannins are fine, elegant and very discreetly firm. Good length. A beautiful wine !

Score : 16.75+/20 (94/100)

Edmond Cornu & Fils - Les Carrières 2016 Ladoix

The nose is aromatic, elegant, fruity, racy and offers a fine intensity. It reveals notes of black cherry, blackberry and small notes of plum associated with discreet touches of red berries, discreet toasted touches, violet as well as discreet hints of spices and an imperceptible touch of gray pepper (in background). The palate is fruity, well-balanced, gourmand, elegant and offers juiciness, a fine fleshiness, a good definition, suavity, elegance, a fine straightness, a fine acid frame, a fine minerality as well as a good structure. On the palate this wine expresses notes of black cherry, blackberry and small notes of black cherry combined with fine hints of fleshy raspberry, spices, racy minerality as well as a very discreet / imperceptible hint of violet (in the background) and tonka bean (in the background). Tannins are well-built and integrated. Good length and good persistence.

Score : 16+/20 (92-93/100)

Edmond Cornu & Fils - Le Bois Roussot 2016 Ladoix 1^{er} Cru

The nose is aromatic and offers power. The wine needs to be decanted. It reveals notes of crushed blackberry and crushed strawberry combined with small notes of crushed cassis, strawberry as well as discreet touches of gray pepper, a subtle hint of spices and an imperceptible hint of flowers (in the background). The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good definition, a racy minerality, a fine suavity, a beautiful acid frame, a fine straightness as well as a fine tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy raspberry and fleshy cherry associated with small notes of crushed cassist, black cherry as well as fine touches of zan, blond tobacco and fine toasted touches / sweet spices. Tannins are fine and very discreetly chewy. Good length. There is a very discreet hint of cocoa on the persistence. Score : 16 + /20 (92-93/100)

Score : 10 / 20 (02 00/100)

Domaine Chevrot - Sur le Chêne 2016 Maranges

The nose is fruity and offers a fine juiciness. It reveals notes of crushed ripe redcurrant and cherry combined with small notes of cassis, wild strawberry, a subtle hint of black cherry skin as well as a very subtle touch of zan, spices and tonka bean. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good definition, a fine mineral frame, a fine juiciness, a fine acidity, a small suavity, a certain delicacy, fat, a small roundness as well as a fine straightness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy redcurrant, racy minerality, fleshy cherry and small notes of raspberry associated with small touches of cassis, discreet toasted touches, zan as well as an imperceptible touch of Ceylon tea and tonka bean.

Score : 16/20 (92/100)

Domaine Chevrot - La Fussière 2016 Marange 1^{er} Cru

The nose is fruity and offers a fine intensity. It reveals notes of blackberry, cassis and small red berries associated with discreet hints of plum, flowers, Sichuan pepper and discreet toasted hints. The palate is fruity, balanced and offers juiciness, a fine suavity, a small fat, a fine tension, finesse as well as a fine acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy blackberry, fleshy strawberry and small notes of red berries associated with discreet touches of cherry, a discreet hint of flowers as well as a subtle toasted touch, vanilla and chocolate. Tannins are fine and very discreetly firm. Good length. The finish is slightly gournande.

Score : 16.25/20 (92-93/100)

Domaine Changarnier - Pierrefitte 2016 Monthelie

The nose is aromatic, fine and offers elegance, power as well as a small richness. It reveals notes of crushed raspberry, crushed cherry and a touch

of blackberry, cassis skin associated with touches of Cuben pepper, spices, nutmeg as well as discreet toasted hints and an imperceptible hint of blond tobacco. After aeration, the wine offers an imperceptible hint of chocolate. The palate is fruity, juicy, well-balanced and offers a good definition, a fine acid frame, a fine minerality as well as a fine freshness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy cherry, fleshy strawberry and small notes of fleshy redcurrant associated with small touches of blueberry, plum, spices, nutmeg as well as discreet hints of pepper, flowers and an imperceptible touch of sweet blond tobacco. Tannins are well-built and very finely firm. Good length. Score $:15.5/20\ (90-91/100)$

Domaine Changarnier - Les Clous 2016 Monthelie 1^{er} Cru

The nose is fruity, juicy and offers minerality. It reveals notes of wild red berries, plum and small notes of blackberry, wild strawberry associated with small touches of licorice / zan as well as discreet woody hints (in the background). The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers juiciness, minerality, a beautiful fat, a good structure, roundness, elegance as well as fleshiness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy redcurrant, fleshy cherry and small notes of blackberry associated with fine touches of fleshy / juicy plum, strawberry as well as discreet touches of liquorice, cedar wood and subtle hints of chocolate. Tannins are fine, (very) slightly tight and very discreetly firm. Good length. (2022+)

Score : $16.25 \pm 20 (93 + 100)$

Domaine Changarnier - Meix Bataille Monthelie 1^{er} Cru

The nose is powerful, racy and offers a fine concentration. It reveals notes of cassis and cherry associated with small notes of crushed redcurrant, strawberry and fine touches of spices, toasted oak, nutmeg and a very discreet hint of caramelized almond. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good definition, a fine mineral frame, a very fine acidity, fleshiness as well as a beautiful, (very) slightly unctuous and (very) slightly tight. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy cherry, crushed redcurrant and jammy wild raspberry combined with hints of cassis, blueberry and discreet toasted hints, zan and a very discreet / imperceptible touch of vanilla. Tannins are fine, very finely firm and structuring. Good length and good persistence.

Score : 16.5/20 (93/100)

Domaine Dupasquier & Fils 2015 Pernand-Vergelesses

The nose is fruity, a bit tight, racy and offers elegance. The wine needs to be decanted. It reveals notes of red berries and fresh / crunchy raspberry combined with subtle hints of crushed cherry, rose / flowers as well as a very discreet hint of spices. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good definition, a fine suavity, straightness, precision, elegance, a fine aerial side, roundness, gourmandise as well as fat. On the palate this wine expresses notes of red berries, crunchy raspberry and small notes of crunchy wild strawberry associated with touches of flowers, cassis as well as discreet touches of liquorice. Tannins are elegant and supple. Good length and good persistence.

CÔTE CHALONNAISE

Domaine de L'Ecette - Clos de Vesignot 2016 Rully

The nose is fruity, racy and offers a fine intensity as well as a fine fleshiness. It reveals notes of black cherry, fleshy Quetsche plum and small notes of crushed wild currants / berries associated with discreet touches of spices as well as hints of crunchy cassis and an imperceptible hint of licorice. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, (very) slightly tight, precise and offers a good definition, a beautiful acid frame, a fine juiciness, roundness, fat as well a fine tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of wild redcurrants / red berries, black cherry and small notes of wild strawberry associated with hints of cassis, cassis bud as well as subtle hints of liquorice. Tannins are fine, well-built and structuring. Good length.

Score : 15/20 (89-90/100)

Domaine de L'Ecette -Les Saint-Jacques 2015 Rully

The nose is fruity and crunchy. It reveals notes of crunchy redcurrant, black cherry and small notes of fleshy strawberry associated with a touch of blackberry as well as discreet hints of spices and an imperceptible touch of pepper (in the background). The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a beautiful juiciness, crunchiness, a beautiful acid frame, a fine suavity, fat, roundness as well as minerality. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crunchy / juicy redcurrant, crunchy raspberry and small notes of cherry associated with touches of plum, blackberry and discreet hints of liquorice. Tannins are well-built Good length.

Score : 15.25/20 (90/100)

MÂCONNAIS

Vignerons de Mancey 2016 Mâcon-Mancey

The nose is aromatic and finely powerful. It reveals notes of wild raspberry, red berries and small notes of flowers associated with small touches of plum as well as fine hints of zan and an imperceptible hint of Cuben pepper. The palate is fruity, juicy, precise, well-balanced and offers a fine straightness, a fine acid frame, a fine fleshiness, a fine gourmandise, roundness, a small fat as well as a fine tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed cherry, crushed redcurrant and small notes of raspberry associated with fine touches of blackberry and discreet touches of black cherry, liquorice and an imperceptible hint of flowers. Good length. Fine chews on the finish. There is an imperceptible hint of cocoa (in the background) on the persistence. Score : 15.5/20 (90-91/100)

Les Essentielles de Mancey 2016 Mâcon-Mancey

The nose is fruity and offers a fine juiciness. It reveals notes of black cherry, cherry and small notes of Quetsche plum associated with hints of cassis, fleshy wild strawberry as well as subtle touches of Sichuan pepper, violet and licorice. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, very slightly tight, slightly gourmand and offers a good definition, a beautiful fat, a beautiful suavity, a small tension, elegance, a discreet unctuosity as well as a fine acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy raspberry, fleshy cherry and small notes of Quetsche plum associated with subtle touches of cassis, discreet hints of cassis, violet / lily as well as a very discreet hint of pepper. Sichuan, spice, licorice and a very discreet toasted hint / vanilla. Tannins are very discreetly firm. Good length.

Score : 15.5/20 (90-91/100)

Domaine Dupré 2016 Mâcon

The nose is powerful, fruity and offers concentration. It reveals notes of black cherry, crushed redcurrant and small notes of blackberry associated with touches of liquorice, sweet spices, a touch of gray pepper as well as a very discreet toasted hint (in the background) and an imperceptible touch of ripe almond (in the background). The palate is fruity, fleshy, gourmand, juicy, well-balanced, elegant and offers a good definition, fleshiness, fat, suavity, a good structure as well as a fine mineral frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy plum, blackberry and small notes of black cherry associated with touches of fleshy / juicy redurrand as well as an imperceptible hint of gray pepper. Tannins are fine and very discreetly firm. Good length. There is an imperceptible hint of ripe almond in the background / on the finish. Score : 15.5 + /20 (91/100)



RED RHÔNE WINES

Bonpas - Croix de Bonpas 2016 Côtes-du-Rhône Villages

The nose is fruity and offers a small minerality as well as harmony. It reveals notes of ripe cherries, ripe red berries and crushed raspberry combined with small touches of cassis, subtle hints of spices, garrigue / rosemary and a very discreet hint of black cherry. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good definition, tension, dynamism, freshness as well as volume. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy cherry, crushed wild raspberry and small notes of fleshy wild strawberry combined with small touches of plum, boysenberry as well as slight hints of minerality, a discreet hint of rosemary and an imperceptible hint of spices. Tannins are slightly firm. Good length. There is a discreet hint of tonka bean on the persistence. Very slight chews on the finish. Score : 14.75 + /20 (89/100)

Domaine des Romarins - Signargues 2016 Côtes-du-Rhône Villages

The nose is fruity, slightly powerful and offers a fine concentration. It reveals notes of blackberry, berries and small touches of ripe red fruits (cherry, berries) associated with hints of flowers, gray pepper, spices and garrigue. The palate is fruity, gourmande, suave, precise and offers juiciness, a beautiful definition, a racy minerality, elegance, a small melodious side as well as a fine acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy raspberry, fleshy blackberry and small notes of fleshy / juicy berries associated with touches of strawberry, salty minerality, garrigue as well as slight hints of chocolate powder, toasted almond and a very discreet hint of spices (in the background). Tannins are (very) slightly chewy. Good length and good persistence. Score : 15.5/20 (90-91/100)

Delas - Saint-Esprit 2016 Côtes-du-Rhône Villages

The nose is fruity, precise and offers elegance and a fine fleshiness. It reveals notes of black cherry, crushed cassis and small notes of strawberry jam associated with small touches of liquorice, slight hints of violet, pepper as well as an imperceptible touch of sweet spices and garrigue. The palate is fruity, suave and offers a (very) slight unctuosity, tension, an acid frame, a fine freshness as well as delicacy. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy cherry, jammy strawberry and small notes of crushed cassis associated with small touches of Bigarreau cherry as well as slight hints of liquorice, sweet spices, a very discreet hint of melted chocolate and with an imperceptible hint of flowers. Tannins are fine, structuring and very finely firm. Good length. Score : 15.75+/20 (91-92/100)

Château Simian - Jocundaz 2016, Massif d'Uchaux

Côtes du Rhône Villages

The nose is aromatic and offers intensity / power as well as a slight concentration. It reveals notes of cassis and garrigue combined with hints of strawberry, racy minerality, blueberry, Sichuan pepper and violet. The palate is fruity, suave, well-balanced and offers fleshiness, a small straightness, tension, a small acid frame as well as roundness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy red cherry, crushed/ripe redcurrants and small notes of Bigarreau cherry associated with small touches of blackberry, cassis as well as slight hints of garrigue (olive tree, rosemary ...), racy minerality and a very discreet hint of violet. Tannins are fine and well-built. Good length. Score : 16/20 (92/100)

Harmas - L'Ameillaud - Cairanne 2015 Côtes du Rhône Villages

The nose is powerful, aromatic, concentrated and offers richness. The wine needs to be put in carafe. It reveals notes of cassis, vanilla and blackberry combined with small notes of fleshy red fruit as well as discreet hints of Sichuan pepper. The palate is fruity, gourmande and offers a racy minerality, tension, a beautiful acid frame as well as a fine richness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed blackberry, fresh raspberry and juicy redcurrants combined with touches of cherry, hints of vanilla as well as small hints of elderberries, small toasted hints and a discreet hint of crushed hazelnut on the finish. Tannins are fine and (very) slightly chewy. Fine chews on the finish. Score : $15.5 \pm 20(91/100)$

Vignobles Simian - La Louronne 2016 Côtes du Rhône Villages

The nose is aromatic, powerful and offers concentration. It reveals notes of crunchy red berries, wild strawberry and flowers combined with hints of blackberry as well as touches of Sichuan pepper and granite. The palate is fruity, suave and offers juiciness, straightness, a good structure, an acid frame as well as crunchiness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of red berries, crunchy cherry and small notes of juicy cassis associated with touches of blackberry as well as subtle hints of flowers, racy minerality and a touch of spice. Tannins are a bit firm. Good length. The finish is slightly firm. Score : 15+/20 (89-90/100)

Nelly France - Guerrière Shieldmaiden 2016, Sainte Cécile

Côtes du Rhône Villages

The nose is fruity, aromatic and well-built. It reveals notes of cassis, crushed blackberry and small notes of wild strawberry, redcurrants associated with touches of garrigue as well as a discreet hint of flowers, Sichuan pepper and an imperceptible touch of tea. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, elegant and offers a beautiful acidulous frame, tension, a small aerial side, a beautiful precision, a small freshness as well as dynamism. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crunchy redcurrants, cassis and small notes of blackberry associated with small touches of Bigarreau cherry, strawberry as well as hints of tonka bean, ripe almond, flowers, toasted hints / vanilla and a very discreet hint of Sichuan pepper / garrigue (in the background). Tannins are well-built. Chews and a small firmness on the finish. The finish is (very) slightly tight. Score : $16.25 \pm 20 (93/100)$

Domaine M. Boutin 2016

Rasteau

The nose is aromatic, powerful, a bit gourmand and offers finesse. It reveals notes of vanilla, crushed red berries and crushed raspberry combined with small small notes of Sichuan pepper, flowers, spices as well as touches of camphor and cassis. The palate is fruity, suave, juicy, well-balanced, gourmande, precise and offers a beautiful definition, minerality, a very slight creaminess / unctuosity, a small tension, roundness, fat as well as an acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of red berries and crunchy cherry associated with small notes of cassis, crunchy berries as well as touches of vanilla, flowers and chocolate. Tannins are fine and (very) slightly dusty.

Score : 15.75/20 (91-92/100)

M. Chapoutier - Rasteau 2016 Rasteau

The nose is aromatic, concentrated and offers intensity. It reveals notes of wild berries, small wild red berries and granite associated with touches of flowers as well as hints of spices. The palate is fruity, suave, (very) slightly tight and offers juiciness, fleshiness as an acidulous / red fruits frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crunchy red berries and crunchy / juicy red cherry associated with small notes of crushed strawberry, blackberry as well as small hints of violet, racy minerality and olive. Good length. There is an imperceptible touch of almond, tonka bean and tea on the persistence. Score : 14.75+/20 (89/100)

Château du Trignon 2012 Rasteau

The nose is aromatic, slightly powerful and offers a fine concentration, a (very) slight fleshiness (in the background) and a fine complexity. It reveals notes of black cherry and boysenberry combined with small notes of elderberry, Sichuan pepper, flowers as well as slight touches of garrigue / olive and spices. The palate is fruity, precise, well-built and offers elegance, suavity, straightness, a juicy / acidulous frame as well as tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy red berries, ripe and juicy Bigarreau cherry and small notes of crushed raspberry combined with small touches of crushed / juicy blackberry, fine touches of liquorice, flowers, minerality, discreet hints of pepper as well as very discreet hints of caramelization, tea, almond and chocolate. Tannins are fine and (very)

slightly firm. Good length and good persistence. Very fine chews on the finish / persistence.

Score : 15.25/20 (90/100)

Chabal & Chartreux - Avec l'Art & la Manière 2015

Côtes-du-Rhône Villages, Saint-Gervais

The nose is fruity and offers concentration, power and a small straightness. It reveals notes of red berries, flowers and small notes of cherry, crushed cassis associated with hints of olive tree / garrigue as well as a discreet hint of camphor and a very discreet hint of spices. The palate is fruity, juicy, well-balanced, wellbuilt and offers a fresh frame, a small minerality, a small tension, crunchiness, roundness, fat, a good freshness as well as dynamism. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe / juicy red cherry, juicy red berries and small notes of juicy cassis associated with small touches of flowers / violet, fleshy strawberry, a hint of licorice, camphor as well as discreet hints of tea and vanilla. Tannins are structuring, well-built and (very) slightly firm. Score : 15/20 (89-90/100)

Domaine de Dionysos - La Cigalette 2015 Cairanne

The nose is fruity, racy and offers a fine concentration and a fine power. It reveals notes of ripe red berries and blueberry associated with small notes of blackberry, thyme as well as small hints of black cherry, spices and black olive. The palate is

fruity, well-balanced, tight, well-built, slightly gourmande and offers a good definition, a small acid frame, fat, a fine suavity as well as a (very) slightly unctuous matter. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crunchy wild red berries, blackberry and small notes of raspberry, cherry Bigarreau associated with small touches of thyme / rosemary, sweet spices, racy minerality, camphor as well as a discreet hint of fleshy strawberry (in the background) and a very discreet hint of olive. Tannins are fine and wellbuilt. Good length. There is a hint of chocolate and toasted oak / toasted almond on the finish.

Score : 15.5/20 (90-91/100)

Score : 15+/20 (89-90/100)

Domaine des Amadieu - Haut de Beauregard 2015

Cairanne The nose is a bit powerful and offer a fine richness. It reveals notes of vanilla and caramelized/toasted oak associated with small notes of blackberry, flowers, wild strawberry as well as slight touches of garrigue and Sichuan pepper. The palate is fruity, mineral, juicy, well-balanced, well-built and offers a fine suavity, roundness, an aerial side, a small freshness as well as a fine acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of red cherry, wild strawberry and small notes of berries associated with touches of olive, garrigue as well as discreet hints of flowers and a very discreet hint of sweet spices. Tannins are well-built and (very) slightly firm. There are slight hints of vanilla and toasted hazelnut on the persistence (brings gourmandise). There is an imperceptible touch of tonka bean on the aftertaste.

Domaine des Amadieu - Garrigues 2016 Cairanne

The nose is fruity and offers finesse as well as a small complexity. It reveals notes of blueberry, Bigarreau cherry and crushed redcurrants associated with fine touches of flowers, cassis, racy minerality as well as hints of garrigue, liquorice, chocolate and imperceptible hints of sweet spices. The palate is fruity, precise, straight, beautifuly juicy, racy, elegant and offers tension, a racy minerality, a good structure as well as a beautiful definition. On the palate this wine expresses notes of red berries, cassis and Bigarreau cherry associated with small touches of juicy plum, juicy raspberry, violet as well as discreet hints of liquorice, chocolate

and an imperceptible touch of olive tree. Tannins are well-built and a bit firm. Good length. The finish is (very) slightly grainy. Score : 15.75/20 (91-92/100)

Domaine des Amadieu - Vieilles Vignes 2016 Cairanne

The nose is fruity, mineral, racy and offers a fine intensity as well as a fine freshness. It reveals notes of Bigarreau cherry, boysenberry and small notes of wild red berries associated with discreet touches of garrigue and spices. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good definition, tension, finesse, dynamism, a good guideline, a mineral frame, an aerial side as well as a good structure. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed wild raspberry, black cherry and small notes of plum, strawberry associated with fine touches of black olive, licorice, racy minerality as well as discreet toasted hints. Good length. Score : 15.25+/20 (90-91/100)

Domaine Castel Oualou - Réserve Syrah 2016 Lirac

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The nose is fruity and offers a fine richness as well as concentration. It reveals notes of liquorice, blueberry and strawberry jam combined with hints of black cherries, redcurrants and a very discreet hint of olive and caramelization / chocolate. The palate is mineral, fruity, well-balanced, slightly gourmande and offers a good definition, fat, a mineral frame as well as a good fineness of the grain. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed black cherry, crushed blue-

> berry and small notes of wild strawberry, redcurrants associated with small touches of chocolate, liquorice, garrigue / black olive as well as a very discreet hint of nutmeg. Tannins are slightly firm. Good length. Score : 15.25/20 (90/100)

M. Chapoutier 2016 Lirac

The nose is aromatic, elegant, racy and offers power. It reveals notes of cassis, crushed boysenberry and small notes of fleshy red fruits, Sichuan pepper combined with small touches of racy minerality, garrigue, spices and

discreet toasted hints / caramelization. The palate is fruity, fluid, silky, well-balanced, dynamic and offers a mineral frame, a good guideline, a fine suavity, finesse as well as a good structure. On the palate this wine expresses notes of black cherry, juicy black berries and small notes of redcurrants, wild strawberries associated with hints of black olive, licorice, toasted hints and a very discreet hint of cardamom. Tannins are (very) slightly dry / grainy. Good length and persistence. There is a touch of fresh almond and a toasted touch / tonka bean on the persistence.

Score : 15+/20 (89-90/100)

Domaine de la Mordorée - La Dame Rousse 2016 Lirac

The nose is aromatic, elegant, slightly intense/powerful and slightly gourmande. The wine needs to be put in carafe. It reveals notes of blueberry, boysenberry and wild strawberry combined with small touches of red flowers, garrigue as well aq discreet hints of licorice, fleshy red berries and almonds. The palate is fruity, wellbalanced, mineral, precise, elegant, racy, beautifuly built and offers a beautiful finesse of the grain, a fine acid frame, generosity as well as a beautiful juiciness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy raspberry, fleshy red berries and small notes of juicy Boysenberry combined with fine touches of blueberry, flowers, garrigue as well as discreet hints of chocolate, hazelnut, discreet toasted hints and an imperceptible hint of roasting. Good persistence. The persistence is (very) slightly grainy and offers hints of chocolate (brings gourmandise). Beautiful success !

Score : $16.5 \pm 20 (93 - 94/100)$



Domaine de la Mordorée - La Reine des Bois 2016 Lirac

The nose is aromatic, powerful, fine, elegant, slightly gourmande as well as very discreetly tight. It reveals notes of Bigarreau cherry, cassis and small notes of Boysenberry combined with small touches of crushed raspberry, hints of wild strawberry, red flowers as well as slight hints of granite and an imperceptible hint of gray pepper. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, gourmande, juicy, precise and offers a good definition, tension, a small aerial side, finesse as well as a certain delicacy. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy raspberry, crushed red berries and Bigarreau cherry associated with small touches of blackberry / blueberry as well as hints of black olive, chocolate, granite and vanilla. Tannins are fine, structuring and a bit firm. Good length. Small concentration on the persistence.

Score : 16.25/20 (92-93/100)

Castel Oualou - Cuvée Signature 2016 Lirac

The nose is gourmand and offers concentration. It reveals notes of liquorice, cassis and small notes of violet combined with touches of raspberry acidulous candy, slight hints of blueberry, ripe wild redcurrants as well as very discreet hints of spices, gray pepper, vanilla and an imperceptible touch of sweet blond tobacco. The wine needs to be put in carafe. The palate is fruity, mineral, wellbalanced, fine, precise and offers elegance, concentration, a beautiful juiciness, a small suavity, an acidulous / juicy frame, fleshiness as well as a fine power / concentration. On the palate this wine expresses notes of cherry Bigarreau, blueberry and small notes of juicy redcurrants associated with slight touches of liquorice, jammy raspberry, vanilla as well as discreet touches of fresh hazelnut, chocolate, a (very) slight hint of minerality and an imperceptible hint of garrigue. Tannins are supple.

Score : 15.75/20 (91-92/100

Domaine Coudoulis - Hommage 2016 Lirac

The nose is beautifuly aromatic, gourmand and offers concentration, richness as well as elegance. It reveals notes of vanilla, licorice, jammy redcurrants and a touch of cherry, crushed wild strawberry combined with touches of chocolate, crushed blackberry, olive as well as discreet hints of spices and an imperceptible hint of Sichuan pepper (in the background). The palate is fruity, well-balanced, airy, (very) slightly tight, slightly acidulous and offers a beautiful juiciness, a beautiful mineral frame, suppleness, concentration / richness (but well controlled / dosed), finesse, gourmandise, power, elegance as well as suavity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of black cherry and crushed redcurrants combined with small notes of blueberry, raspberry, vanilla, touches of chocolate as well as hints of caramelization, almond / hazelnut and a touch of very discreet hint of olive (in the background). Tannins are elegant, structuring and slightly firm. There are a hint of crushed hazelnut, vanilla, blueberry and a discreet / imperceptible salinity (brings gourmandise) on the persistence / aftertaste. A beautiful wine !

Score : 16.25/20 (92-93/100)

Domaine Coudoulis - Dedicace 2016 Lirac

The nose is fruity, racy, slightly powerful and offers a fine intensity and finesse. It reveals notes of blackberry, crunchy strawberry and small notes of wild berries associated with touches of garrigue, Sichuan pepper, racy minerality, discreet hints of olive as well as an imperceptible touch of caramelization and chocolate. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, suave, elegant, silky and offers fat, an acid frame, juiciness, a beautiful minerality as well as freshness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed/ripe redcurrants, juicy / crushed cassis and small notes of strawberry, blackberry associated with touches of cherry, garrigue, discreet hints of chocolate, caramelized oak as well as a very discreet hint of Bourbon vanilla and cardamom. Tannins are fine and slightly firm. Good length and good persistence. The finish is slightly powerful. Score : 16.5/20 (93/100)

Domaine Coudoulis - Evidence 2016 Lirac

The nose is aromatic, intense, elegant, powerful and offers a beautiful finesse of the grain. It reveals notes of cassis and blackberry associated with small notes of

wild berries, cherries, touches of crunchy strawberries as well as hints of olive, garrigue, laurel, spices and very discreet hints of Sichuan pepper. The palate is fruity, juicy, well-balanced, round, precise, (very) slightly tight and offers a beautiful mineral frame, a beautiful juiciness, generosity, gourmandise, a small tension, a good structure, a beautiful definition, fat as well as suavity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe red berries, crunchy cherry and small notes of cassis associated with small touches of strawberry as well as slight hints of flowers / laurel, racy minerality, black olive, discreet hints of spices and a very discreet hint of Sichuan pepper. Tannins are fine, elegant and supple. Good length. There are a hint of almond, cocoa, a toasted hint and berries on the persistence. Score : 16.75/20 (93-94/100)

Rocca Maura - Terra Ancestra 2016 Lirac

The nose is aromatic, (very) slightly tight and offers intensity, a small freshness as well as depthness. It reveals notes of vanilla, fleshy blackberry, crushed strawberry associated with small notes of Cuben pepper, caramelized oak as well as small touches of olive and garrigue (olive tree...). The palate is fruity, well-balanced, juicy, mineral, fine and offers tension, a fine fat, a beautiful mineral frame, freshness as well as a beautiful juiciness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy raspberry, ripe / fleshy cherry and small notes of cassis, blackberry associated with touches of olive, laurel, racy minerality as well as discreet toasted hints, vanilla and licorice. Tannins are finely firm and (very) slightly dry. There are small touches of cocoa on the finish / persistence. There is a very discreet touch of almond on the aftertaste.

Score : 15+/20 (89-90/100)

Domaine de l'Amauve - Laurence 2016 Côtes du Rhône Villages, Séguret

The nose is gourmand, aromatic and offers generosity as well as elegance. It reveals notes of juicy blueberry, fleshy strawberry and fleshy red berries associated with touches of fleshy cherry, violet, laurel, sweet spices, vanilla and caramelization. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers juiciness, straightness, tension, a small acid frame, a racy minerality, a small suavity as well as power (but well controlled). On the palate this wine expresses notes of black cherry and juicy / ripe black berries associated with small notes of fresh raspberry, fleshy small red fruits as well as small touches of laurel, licorice, caramelization, racy minerality and hints of cocoa. Tannins are a bit firm and slightly dry. Good length. The finish is slightly intense and powerful. Score : 15/20 (89-90/100)

Domaine de L'Amauve - Estelles 2015 Côtes du Rhône Villages, Séguret

The nose is aromatic, intense, concentrated and offers power and dynamism. It reveals notes of blueberry, violet, laurel, olive and crushed strawberry combined with hints of vanilla as well as touches of crushed raspberry, toasted touches and an imperceptible touch of Cuben pepper. The palate is mineral, suave, wellbalanced, precise, slightlu acidulous (in the background) and offers dynamism, a beautiful guideline, a mineral frame, a good structure, delicacy as well as finesse. On the palate this wine expresses notes of blackberry, fleshy raspberry and small notes of strawberry, Bigarreau cherry, flowers, laurel, liquorice associated with slight hints of cocoa / tonka bean, black olive, vanilla as well as a discreet hint of roasting / coffee and an imperceptible hint of almond (in the background). Tannins are a bit firm. Good length. (2020+) Score : 15.5/20 (90-91/100)

Domaine de la Pigeade - Chantepierre 2015 Côtes du Rhône Villages, Séguret

The nose is aromatic, powerful and quite fruity. It reveals notes of red berries and olive associated with small notes of blueberry, laurel, crunchy cherry as well as small touches of fleshy / crushed strawberry, racy minerality, hints of gray pepper and an imperceptible hint of garrigue. The palate is fruity, silky, suave, well-balanced, (very) slightly tight and offers straightness, tension, a fine aerial side, a small mineral frame as well as a good structure. On the palate this wine expresses notes of raspberry, wild red berries and cocoa associated with small notes of blackberry, laurel, garrigue as well as discreet toasted hints, olive and an imperceptible touch of pepper Grey. Tannins are firm and structuring. Good length. There is an imperceptible touch of almond on the persistence. Score : 14.75+/20 (89/100)

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Château Signac - Cuvée Combes d'Enfer 2015 Côtes du Rhône Villages, Chusclan

The nose is powerful and fruity. It reveals notes of cassis, crushed black cherry and small notes of blackberry associated with small notes of wild strawberry, spices as well as a discreet hint of black pepper and camphor. The palate is fruity, juicy, well-balanced, crunchiness and offers a beautiful acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crunchy black berries, crushed red berries and cherry associated with small notes of raspberry, garrigue as well as a discreet hint of spices. Tannins are a bit firm.

Score : 15+/20 (89-90/100)

Château Signac - Cuvée Dame Blanche 2015 Côtes du Rhône Villages, Chusclan

The nose is fruity, racy, a bit powerful and offers elegance as well as a (very) slight richness. It reveals notes of black cherry, blueberry and wild strawberry combined with slight hints of liquorice, Sichuan pepper as well as an imperceptible touch of flowers and graphite / camphor. The palate is fruity, suave and offers tension, dynamism, a racy minerality, a fine freshness as well as roundness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of black cherry and cassis associated with small notes of red berries, raspberry, juicy cherry as well as touches of liquorice, racy minerality, a discreet hint of olive and spices. Tannins are well-built. Score : 15.25+/20 (90-91/100)

Domaine l'Abbé Dîne 2015 Côtes du Rhône Villages

The nose is fruity, juicy, gourmand, elegant and offers generosity. It reveals notes of fleshy strawberry, cassis, blueberry and red berry jam combined with touches of cherry, vanilla as well as discreet hints of flowers and caramelization. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, precise, elegant, beautifully built, slightly powerful and offers a small straightness, a fine mineral frame, tension, a certain complexity, generosity, a small freshness as well as roundness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy cherry, fleshy strawberry and small notes of blackberry associated with small touches of blueberry, licorice, cocoa as well as discreet hints of olive / garrigue (rosemary ...) and an imperceptible touch of vanilla (in the background). Tannins are fine, precise and elegant.

Score : 16.25+/20 (93/100)

Domaine L'Abbé Dîne 2016 Côtes du Rhône

The nose is elegant, precise and offers complexity, a small intensity / power as well as delicacy. The wine needs to be put in carafe. It reveals notes of Bigarreau cherry, blackberry and small notes of fleshy strawberry associated with small touches of raspberry jam as well as small hints of garrigue, zan and Cuben pepper. The palate is fruity, juicy, mineral, well-balanced, precise, elegant, straight, suave, well-built and offers delicacy, a small tension, a fine acidulous frame, roundness, a good structure as well as a beautiful matter. On the palate this wine expresses notes of Bigarreau Cherry and blueberry associated with small notes of fleshy strawberry, fleshy red berries, blackberry as well as slight hints of laurel, licorice, cocoa, a discreet hint of tobacco and an imperceptible touch of pepper (in the background). Tannins are fine and a bit firm. Good length. A beautiful wine !

Score : 17/20 (94/100)

Domaine de la Mordorée - La Dame Rousse 2016 Côtes du Rhône

The nose is racy, elegant, slightly gourmand and offers intensity as well as minerality. It reveals notes of wild berries, cherries and small notes of fleshy cassis combined with touches of raspberry, laurel, olive as well as subtle hints of Sichuan pepper, sweet blond tobacco / tea and spices. The palate is fruity, silky, well-built, precise and offers roundness, a small generosity, a fine acidulous frame, freshness as well as a good definition. On the palate this wine expresses notes of black / Bigarreau cherry and small notes of ripe / juicy red berries associated with small notes of cassis, fleshy raspberry as well as touches of flowers, laurel, small touches of racy minerality and discreet hints of sweet spices. The tannins are fine and a bit firm.

Score : 16/20(92/100)

Louis - Enfants de vignerons 2016 Côtes du Rhône

The nose is aromatic and well-built. It reveals notes of red berries / redcurrants, fleshy raspberry and small notes of boysenberry combined with fine touches of fleshy strawberry, zan, violet, olive tree, fine toasted touches as well as a very discreet hint of Sichuan pepper (in the background). The palate is fruity, gourmande, delicate, fleshy, round, juicy and offers a fine juiciness, a fine tension, a fine acid frame, fat as well as straightness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy raspberry, fleshy cherry and small notes of fleshy redcurrants combined with fine touches of blueberry, fleshy boysenberry as well as slight toasted hints, chocolate, vanilla, black olive, a very discreet grilled hint and an imperceptible touch of cocoa. Tannins are fine and well -built. There are (very) slight hints of cocoa and fleshy red fruits on the persistence. A gourmand and straight wine !

Score : 15.25+/20 (90-91/100)

M. Chapoutier - Deschants 2016 Saint-Joseph

The nose is fruity, juicy, gourmand, well-built and offers elegance as well as fleshiness. It reveals notes of cassis, juicy red berries and fleshy strawberry combined with small notes of blueberry as well as discreet hints of cherry, pepper and a discreet hint of colas. The palate is fruity, mineral, well-balanced, elegant, gourmand, suave and offers a beautiful definition, a beautiful juicy / acidulous frame (beautiful juiciness), minerality, generosity, a beautiful delicacy, precision, freshness, straightness as well as a fine tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy cherry, fleshy / acidulous red berries and crushed cassis combined with small touches of plum, liquorice as well as subtle hints of colas and a very discreet hint of gray pepper. Tannins are well-built. Good length. Score : 16+/20 (92-93/100)

M. Chapoutier - Les Granilites 2015 Saint-Joseph

The nose is fruity, mineral and offers elegance as well as a fine concentration. The wine needs to be put in carafe. It reveals notes of crushed elderberries, wild raspberries and wild red berries associated with touches of red flowers, racy minerality, discreet touches of garrigue (rosemary, thyme ...), olive as well as discreet hints of Sichuan pepper and spices. The palate is fruity, juicy, well-balanced, fleshy, delicate and offers a beautiful roundness, a beautiful volume, elegance, generosity, precision as well as suavity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy redcurrants, fleshy cherry and small notes of juicy raspberry associated with small touches of boysenberry, cassis, hints of garrigue, zan, vanilla as well as discreet hints of sweet spices, black olive and a very discreet hint of caramelization (on the finish). Tannins are chewy. Good length. There an imperceptible touch of ripe almond and coffee on the persistence. Score : 16.25+/20 (93/100)

Roland Grangier - Reflets de Syrah 2016 Saint-Joseph

The nose is fruity, a bit tight and well-built. It reveals notes of laurel, garrigue and ripe berries associated with small notes of crushed cassis, crushed blueberry as well as hints of strawberry, vanilla, caramelization, flowers / rose and an imperceptible hint of zan. The palate is mineral, fruity, juicy / acidulous, well-balanced, silky and offers a good structure. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy / crunchy red berries, wild strawberry and small notes of cherry associated with small touches of blackberry as well as slight hints of laurel, olive tree, licorice and spices. Tannins are fine and well-built. Good length. Score : 15.5 + 20(91/100)

Roland Grangier - Côte Granits 2015 Saint-Joseph

The nose is a bit powerful and offers a fine richness as well as a fine concentration. It reveals notes of liquorice, cassis and Bigarreau cherry associated with small touches of gray pepper, garrigue, racy minerality as well as slight touches of cocoa. The palate is fruity, juicy, well-balanced, racy, quite gourmand and offers a good definition, a fine acid frame, tension, straightness as well as a (very) slight unctuosity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy / crunchy red berries, juicy wild raspberry and small notes of blackberry associated with small touches of laurel / olive as well as discreet hints of sweet spices. Tannins are well-

built and slightly firm. There are hints of vanilla and tonka bean on the finish / persistence. Good length. $Score \ : 15.5/20 \ (90\text{-}91/100)$

Maison Bouachon - Roquebrussance 2016 Saint-Joseph

The nose is aromatic, mineral, powerful, racy and offers elegance. It reveals notes of cherry, wild red berries and small notes of cassis, wild strawberry, laurel / flowers as well as touches of Sichuan pepper, racy minerality, a discreet hint of violets, olive, licorice and spices. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, mineral, very discreetly tight and offers an acidulous / juicy frame, suavity, roundness, a beautiful fat, a (very) slight straightness, a beautiful juiciness as well as roundness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy red cherry, ripe / juicy red berries and small notes of Bigarreau cherry, cassis associated with hints of blackberry, laurel, olive tree as well as discreet hints of liquorice, spices and an imperceptible touch of rose.

Score : 16/20 (92/100)

Domaine de l'Abbé Dîne 2014

Châteauneuf-du-Pape

The nose is fruity, aromatic, elegant, a bit powerful and offers a fine intensity, concentration as well as a fine freshness. It reveals notes of blueberry and ripe Bigarreau cherry associated with small notes of violet, fleshy strawberry and touches of fleshy blackberry, licorice, discreet hints of violet as well as subtle hints of sweet spices. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, slightly tight and offers a fine juiciness, a fine unctuosity, gournandise, a beautiful density, power as well as an acidulous frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy blueberry, crunchy red berries and small notes of fleshy strawberry associated with fine touches of cocoa, racy minerality as well as slight hints of garrigue (in the background). Tannins are fine, well-built and (very) slightly firm. Good length. Score : 16+/20 (92-93/100)

Domaine de l'Abbé Dîne 2015 Châteauneuf-du-Pape

The nose is aromatic, racy and offers power as well as a fine richness / intensity. It reveals notes of blackberry, raspberry and small notes of wild strawberry associated with touches of berries, Sichuan pepper, blueberry as well as hints of zan, nutmeg and garrigue. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, racy, suave and offers juiciness, a good definition, a fine juicy / acidulous frame, minerality, gourmandise, dynamism, roundness as well as power. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy blueberry, blackberry and small notes of juicy red berries associated with fine touches of liquorice, violet / flowers, olive and hints of cocoa. Tannins are (very) slightly dry, fine and structuring. Power and a fine intensity on the finish.

Score : 16/20 (92/100)

Delas - Domaine des Grands Chemins 2015 Crozes-Hermitage

The nose is fruity, aromatic and offers elegance. It reveals notes of black cherry, cassis and small notes of red berries associated with small touches of camphor, violet, Sichuan pepper as well as discreet hints of spices. The palate is fruity, juicy, well-balanced and offers a fine unctuosity, a good structure, suavity, a fine acid frame, gourmandise, finesse as well as a crunchy / juicy fruit. On the palate this wine expresses notes of Bigarreau cherry, ripe / juicy redcurrants and small notes of blackberry, raspberry associated with slight hints of plum as well as small hints of cocoa, of grilled oak and discreet hints of garrigue (in the background). Tannins are a bit firm and very slightly dry. (2020+) Score : 16.25/20 (92-93/100)

Domaine des Remizières - Cuvée Christophe 2016 Crozes-Hermitage

The nose is fruity, aromatic, gourmand and offers a small richness as well as elegance. It reveals notes of vanilla, fleshy blackberry and fleshy strawberry associated with small touches of redcurrants, raspberry, slight hints of olive tree / laurel, pepper, garrigue as well as discreet toasted hints, sweet spices and a very discreet hint of thyme. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, racy and offers juiciness, a good definition, a fine acid frame, a fine juiciness as well as a fine tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy raspberry, ripe / juicy redcurrants and small notes of cherry associated with small touches of blackberry, cassis, discreet hints of liquorice, cocoa / toasted oak, garrigue, olive, a very discreet hint of thyme as well as an imperceptible hint of Sichuan pepper and tea. Tannins are a bit firm.

Score : 16.5/20 (93/100)

Domaine Saint-Laurent 2016 Vacqueyras

The nose is concentrated and offers power, finesse as well as complexity. It reveals notes of blackberry, cassis and red berries associated with small notes of elderberry, garrigue as well as touches of blueberry, zan / colas, rosemary, slight hints of Cuben pepper and an imperceptible hint of sage. The palate is juicy, fruity, elegant, precise, gourmand and offers fleshiness, a beautiful definition, tension, roundness, a beautiful finesse as well as a beautiful finesse of the grain. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy cassis, blueberry and juicy red berries associated with small touches of Bigarreau cherry, hints of strawberry, rosemary, black olive as well as discreet hints of liquorice, garrigue, racy minerality and spices. Tannins are fine, elegant, structuring and slightly chewy. Good length. A great wine !

Score : 17/20 (94/100)

M. Chapoutier - Quatuor 2015 Côte-Rôtie

The nose is fruity, mineral, elegant, racy and offers a beautiful definition, a beautiful fineness of the grain as well as a beautiful balance between power, finesse and richness. It reveals notes of elderberries, ripe/cooked cassis, ripe redcurrants and small notes of fleshy raspberry combined with small touches of licorice, rosemary, thyme, oleander flowers as well as slight hints of gray pepper. The palate is fruity, juicy, racy, elegant and offers a beautiful finesse, a beautiful delicacy, a racy minerality, dynamism, a good structure, a fine suavity, roundness as well as a small tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of cooked cassis, ripe / juicy redcurrant and small notes of blueberry, wild strawberry associated with small touches of cherry as well as hints of oleander flowers / rose, racy minerality, dark chocolate, caramelized oak, almond as well as discreet hints of garrigue (in the background) and an imperceptible touch of gray pepper. Tannins are fine, structuring and (very) slightly tight. Small chews on the persistence. There is a very discreet hint of hazelnut on the persistence (brings gourmandise). A beautiful wine !

Score : 17/20 (94/100)

Maison Bouachon - Les Triassiennes 2015 Beaumes de Venise

The nose is aromatic, intense and offers power. It reveals notes of gray pepper and flowers associated with small notes of bulb, fleshy wild strawberry, cherry as well as touches of blackberry and fine touches of garrigue. The palate is fine, well-balanced, slightly tight, well-structured and offers a small tension, delicacy, roundness, fat as well as a beautiful suavity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of blackberry, red berries, elderberries and small notes of bulb, flowers associated with fine touches of fleshy raspberry, racy minerality as well as a hint of olive tree and gray pepper gray on the finish. Tannins are fine and (very) slightly dry. Good length. There is a very discreet hint of cocoa on the finish / persistence.

Score : 15+/20 (89-90/100)

Domaine de la Pigeade - Hur Le Vent 2016 Beaumes de Venise

The nose is aromatic, elegant and offers finesse as well as intensity. It reveals notes of blackberry, crushed red berries and small notes of gray pepper, crushed strawberry, cassis combined with touches of bulb / laurel, tea as well as discreet hints of black olive and spices. The palate is fruity, juicy, well-balanced, racy, gourmand, well-built and offers a fine minerality, juiciness, a fine acid frame, tension, power, a beautiful definition, a fine freshness, fat as well as roundness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of black cherry, ripe wild berries and small notes of crunchy / ripe wild strawberry associated with small touches of garrigue, laurel / rose, Cuben pepper as well as discreet hints of spices. Tannins are well-built. Good length.

Score : 15.5/20(90-91/100)

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Rhône

Pierre et Jérome Coursodon - L'Olivaie 2016 Saint-Joseph

The nose is fruity / aromatic, fleshy, elegant and offers concentration. It reveals notes of crushed boysenberry and crushed blueberry combined with small notes of vanilla, strawberry as well as touches of small blue fruits, camphor, Sichuan pepper, gray pepper and violets. The palate is fruity, juicy, mineral, well-balanced, elegant, precise and offers an acid frame, a small tension, suavity, roundness, a beautiful grain, finesse as well as a fine freshness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of blackberry, blueberry and small notes of black cherry associated with small touches of crushed raspberry, racy minerality, camphor, minerality, gray / Sichuan pepper as well as discreet toasted hints / cocoa. Tannins are fine and elegant.

Score : 16.75/20 (93-94/100)

WHITE RHÔNE WINES

Domaine de l'Amauve - La Daurèle 2017 Côtes du Rhône Villages, Séguret

The nose is fruity, aromatic and offers elegance. It reveals notes of quenette, brugnon and small notes of litchi associated with small touches of citrus and a hint of fleshy / juicy yellow fruit. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, well-built, fine and offers a good definition, a fine acid frame, gourmandise as well as a small suavity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy / ripe lemon and ripe / juicy grapefruit associated with small notes of quenette, juicy brugnon as well as small touches of passion fruit and an imperceptible touch of fleshy mirabelle plum. Good length.

Score : 15.75/20 (91-92/100)

Domaine L'Abbé Dîne 2017 Côtes du Rhône

The nose is fruity, aromatic and offers elegance. It reveals notes of peach, ripe lemon and small notes of grapefruit associated with small hints of juicy mirabelle plum, small yellow fruits, flowers as well as a very discreet hint of racy minerality. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, silky and offers a good definition, fat, suavity, a very fine acid frame, a beautiful finesse of the grain, fat, roundness, a fine freshness, tension, harmony, a beautiful matter as well as a small juiciness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy brugnon, lemon and small notes of ripe / juicy grapefruit associated with small touches of apple, quenette, very discreet toasted hints / butter as well as an imperceptible touch of mirabelle plum and flowers.

Score : 15.25+/20 (90-91/100)

Chabal & Chartreux - Je résiste à tout sauf à la tentation 2016 Côtes-du-Rhône

The nose is fruity and offers a fine intensity as well as fleshiness. It reveals notes of peach and tangerine zest associated with small touches of quince, hints of white fruits and an imperceptible hint of white flowers. The palate is fruity, juicy and offers a beautiful acid frame, suavity, dynamism, a small freshness as well as a good definition. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy lemon, juicy mandarin and small notes of clementine zests associated with small touches of mirabelle plum, quenette as well as a very discreet hint of bitterness (on the finish) and an imperceptible hint of flowers (in the background). Good length. Score : 15/20 (89-90/100)

Castel Oualou 2017

Lirac

The nose is fruity and offers a fine juiciness, a small intensity as well as a small concentration. It reveals notes of guenette, fresh lychee and small notes of vine peach combined with touches of juicy / fresh citrus as well as small hints of exotic fruits and kumquat. The palate is fruity, juicy, suave, gourmande and offers tension, a good structure, a beautiful fat, finesse as well as a racy minerality. On the palate this wine expresses notes of lychee and juicy citrus (grapefruit, lemon) associated with small touches of passion fruit, quenette as well as hints of tangerine, a very discreet hint of green apple and an imperceptible toasted touch / vanilla (in the background). Good length and good persistence. Score : 15.75/20 (91-92/100)

Rocca Maura 2017 Lirac

The nose is aromatic and offers richness as well as elegance. It reveals notes of nectarine, pear and small notes of litchi associated with small touches of mirabelle plum and an imperceptible hint of flowers. The palate is fruity, wellbalanced and offers juiciness, straightness, a good structure, precision, a fine unctuosity as well as suavity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of litchi, nectarine and small notes of citrus associated with small hints of zest, apple as well as discreet hints of vanilla / butter (in the background) and a very discreet touch of flowers. Good length.

Score : 15.25/20 (90/100)

Domaine l'Abbé Dîne 2015 Châteauneuf-du-Pape

The nose is aromatic, racy and offers freshness. The wine needs to be put in carafe. It reveals notes of pear, guince and small notes of citrus associated with a touch of quenette, apricot, spices and very discreet oaky hints. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, suave, precise, elegant and offers a good definition, a fine tension, juiciness, gourmandise, a certain complexity, finesse as well as a beautiful finesse of the grain. On the palate this wine expresses notes of quenette and nectarine associated with small notes of yellow fruits, juicy apricot as well as small hints of pear, mango, quince and imperceptible hints of vanilla (in the background). Good length.

Score : 16/20 (92/100)

Maison Bouachon - Les Tourrays 2016 Condrieu

The nose is fresh, elegant, fruity and offers a slight richness / fleshiness. It reveals notes of pear, crushed peach and small notes of passion fruit associated with touches of apricot, fresh citrus as well as touches of vanilla, zest, flowers and racy minerality. The palate is fruity, fresh, well-balanced, a bit tight and offers tension, an acidulous / juicy frame, finesse as well as a good structure. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon, litchi and small notes of nectarine associated with touches of exotic fruits, rose as well as discreet hints of fresh apricot, racy minerality and an imperceptible toasted touch (in the background). Discreet tannic sensation on the finish. Good length. Score : 15.5/20 (90-91/100)

M. Chapoutier - Invitare 2016 Condrieu

The nose is juicy, elegant, well-built , slightly powerful and offers complexity. It reveals notes of litchi, rose and small notes of nectarine, juicy mirabelle plum associated with touches of kumquat, exotic fruits as well as a subtle hint of white flowers and very discreet hints of racy minerality. The palate is fruity, juicy, wellbalanced, elegant and offers a good definition, a beautiful acid frame, volume, roundness as well as gourmandise. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon, lychee and ripe apple combined with touches of juicy mirabelle plum, fleshy apricot, juicy citrus (clementine), racy minerality as well as slight touches of vanilla and juicy pineapple. Good length and good persistence. Very discreet tannic sensation, gourmandise / suavity as well as presence of very discreet hints of honey on the finish.

Score : 16.75/20 (93-94/100)

M. Chapoutier - Deschants 2016 Saint-Joseph

The nose is fresh, racy and offers intensity, concentration and finesse. It reveals notes of juicy lemon, juicy tangerine and fresh brugnon combined with slight touches of white fruit, racy minerality, juicy grapefruit, a discreet hint of quince as well as a touch of fresh white flowers (in the background) and almond. The mouth is fruity, juicy, suave, gourmande, well-balanced and offers a beautiful precision, a beautiful definition, a small straightness, a good freshness as well as a beautiful elegance. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe brugnon, quenette and small notes of juicy mirabelle plum associated with touches of citrus, green apple, racy minerality, almond and a very discreet hint of fleshy small yellow fruits. Good length.

Score : 16/20(92/100)

Rhône

M. Chapoutier - Les Granilites 2016 Saint-Joseph

The nose is fresh, fruity, juicy, elegant, aromatic and gourmand. The wine needs to be put in carafe. It reveals notes of juicy mirabelle plum, quince and small notes of juicy peach combined with small touches of lemon, dried mandarin zest, hints of apricot, pineapple, racy minerality as well as a very discreet toasted hint, beeswax, butter, almond and an imperceptible hint of flowers (in the background). The palate is fruity, round, suave, gourmande, elegant, racy and offers a beautiful finesse, a beautiful delicacy, precision as well as a beautiful grain. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy apricot, fleshy peach / brugnon and small notes of quenette associated with touches of mirabelle plum, quince, citrus fruit as well as hints of vanilla / butter, beeswax and an imperceptible hint of almond. Good length and beautiful persistence. Score : 17.25/20 (94-95/100)

Domaine de la Pigeade 2016

Muscat de Beaumes de Venise

(Sweet) The nose is fruity, gourmand, aromatic and offers intensity. It reveals notes of lychee and rose associated with small notes of red peach, honeysuckle, ripe brugnon and touches of exotic fruit. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, gourmande, suave, precise and offers a small tension, a fine acid frame, fleshiness, fat, a good structure as well as small unctuosity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of lychee, rose and red peach combined with small notes of sweet pink grapefruit, candied peach as well as slight hints of candied lemon, kumquat and discreet litchi core.

Score : 15.25/20 (90/100)

M. Chapoutier 2016

Muscat de Beaumes de Venise

(Sweet) The nose is fruity, fine, elegant and offers intensity as well as a beautifull finesse. It reveals notes of dried peach, lychee, rose and honeysuckle associated with fine touches of muscatel, apple and discreet hints of pear. The palate is fruity, mineral, well-balanced, round, airy and offers a fine freshness, a beautiful definition, gourmandise, suavity, a good volume, a beautiful guideline as well as a fine acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of dried peach, quenette and small notes of pear associated with small touches of passion fruit, pineapple as well as discreet hints of citrus, kumquat and zest of clementine. Good length and persistence.

Score : $15.5 \pm 20 (91/100)$

ROSÉ RHÔNE WINES

Domaine de la Mordorée - La Dame Rousse 2017 Côtes-du-Rhône

The nose is fresh, fruity and gourmand. It reveals notes of raspberry candy, cherry and small notes of crushed apple associated with discreet hints of lemon and an imperceptible hint of flowers. The palate is fruity, suave, gourmand, elegant, slightly tight, a racy minerality and offers a beautiful acidulous frame, tension, a beautiful suavity, roundness, softness as well as a slight fat. On the palate this wine expresses notes of raspberry candy, cherry and small notes of apple associated with small touches of brugnon and discreet hints of lemon. Score : 16.25/20 (92-93/100)

Castel Oualou - Instant Rosé 2017

Lirac

The nose is fresh, mineral and offers a (very) slight intensity. It reveals notes of ripe raspberry and ripe redcurrants combined with discreet hints of cherry candy, a hint of blackberry, white fruit and an imperceptible touch of fresh mandarin. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good definition, a fine acid frame, freshness, fat, a beautiful juiciness, suavity as well as roundness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fresh cherry and fleshy strawberry associated with discreet hints of white fruit / vine peach as well as very discreet hints of lime and mandarin. Good length.

Score : 15.25/20 (90/100)

Domaine de la Mordorée - La Dame Rousse 2017 Tavel

The nose is fruity, gourmand and elegant. It reveals notes of cherry candy, blackberry and small notes of crunchy strawberry combined with small / discreet hints of pear, vine peach and an imperceptible touch of flowers. The palate is fruity, suave, juicy, well-balanced, elegant and offers gourmandise, a good definition, a fine acid frame as well as finesse. On the palate this wine expresses notes of cherry candy, crunchy wild strawberry and small notes of fleshy blackberry combined with small touches of racy minerality, pear as well as a very discreet hint of fleshy vine peach an imperceptible hint of flowers. Good length. Score : 16.25 + /20 (93/100)

M. Chapoutier - Beaurevoir 2016 Tavel

The nose is fruity, juicy, elegant and precise. It reveals notes of fleshy raspberry and small touches of blackberry, quenette associated with discreet hints of blueberry and a very discreet hint violet. The palate is fruity, juicy, well-balanced and offers a beautiful acid frame, a good definition, dynamism, tension, a fine grain, finesse as well as a slight suavity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe red cherry, ripe raspberry and small notes of quenette associated with small hints of fleshy vine peach, quince and ripe lemon. Very discreet tannic hint on the finish.

Score : 16/20 (92/100)

Château de Tringuevedel 2017 Tavel

The nose is fruity, fresh and offers a fine richness / concentration. It reveals notes of red berries and strawberry candy / Tagada candy combined with slight touches of crushed redcurrants, crushed brugnon as well as hints of quenette / passion fruit and a discreet hint of quince. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good definition, a fine acid frame, juiciness, suavity, fat, a small unctuosity as well as a fine tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of raspberry candy and cherry associated with small notes of quince, crushed brugnon, quenette as well as a discreet hint of passion fruit and an imperceptible touch of dried mandarin zest (in the background).

Score : 15/20 (89-90/100)

Domaine de la Mordorée - La Reine des Bois 2017 Tavel

The nose is fruity, fresh, (very) slightly powerful and offers fleshiness. It reveals notes of fleshy / fresh brugnon and vine peach combined with small notes of quenette, ripe redcurrants, fresh cherries as well as discreet hints of fresh lemon and flowers. The palate is fruity, suave, well-balanced and offers juiciness, gourmandise, fleshiness, a beautiful precision, a beautiful fat, a small freshness, a good structure, finesse as well as a beautiful definition. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed Brugnon, quenette and small notes of passion fruit, litchi associated with touches of lemon, apple, raspberry candy as well as slight hints of racy minerality and discreet hins of redcurrants. Very discreet chews on persistence. A gastronomic rosé !

Score : $16.75 \pm 20 (94/100)$

Chabal & Chatreux - Une petite cuvée au poil 2017 Vin de France

The nose is fruity, slightly gourmand and offers a small freshness. It reveals notes of quenette and vine peach associated with slight hints of lemon and discreet hints of pineapple. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, suave and offers a fine acidulous frame as well as fleshiness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of quenette associated with small notes of green apple, vine peach and touches of ripe lemon, passion fruit as well as a discreet hint of raspberry. Score: 14.75/20 (88-89/100)

Château Signac - Cuvée Or 2017

Côtes-du-Rhône Villages, Chusclan

The nose offers gourmandise as well as fat. It reveals notes of quenette, pear and small notes of fleshy peach associated with hints of raspberry acidulous candy, lemon as well as small hints of citrus and racy minerality. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good acid / acidulous frame, suavity, fat, gourmandise, juiciness as well as a small freshness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of quenette and juicy vine peach associated with small notes of apple, juicy raspberry as well as small touches of lemon and a discreet hint of strawberry. Score : 15.5/20 (90-91/100)



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Sud de France

M. Chapoutier - Chrysopée 2016

Collioure

The nose is aromatic, elegant, (very) slightly tight and offers a beautiful grain, a small richness and complexity. It reveals notes of brugnon, pear, vanilla and small notes of citrus (lemon, clementine) associated with fine touches of roasted pineapple, quince as well as discreet hints of zest and sweet spices. The palate is fruity, juicy and offers a beautiful acid frame, dynamism, elegance, a beautiful fineness of the grain as well as a good structure. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe / juicy lemon, juicy nectarine, quince and small notes of vanilla associated with small touches of grapefruit zest, mandarin zest and discreet hints of olive / garrigue. Discreet tannic sensation. The finish is slightly suave and slightly gourmande. Good length. There are toasted hints, almonds and vanilla on the persistence.

Score : 15.75/20 (91-92/100)

Domaine Bila-Haut 2016 Collioure

The nose is beautifully fruity and offers power, juiciness as well as a small concentration. It reveals notes of black cherry and cassis combined with small notes of blackberry, garrigue, Cuben / green pepper as well as discreet hints of Ceylon tea and almost saline minerality. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, precise, airy and offers suppleness, elegance as well as suavity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of black cherry, blackberry, crushed cassis and small notes of garrigue associated with touches of racy minerality as well as discreet hints of cocoa. Tannins are fine and wel-built. The finish is very fine. Score : 16/20 (92/100)

Domaine Augustin - Adeodat 2016 Collioure

The nose is aromatic, gourmand, racy, elegant and offers a small freshness (in the background), finesse as well as a small straightness. It reveals notes of Williams pear and small notes of yellow fruits associated with subtle touches of pineapple (in the background), mirabelle plum as well as a subtle hint of quince, toasted bread, a very discreet hint of salinity and an imperceptible hint of racy minerality. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a beautiful definition, a fine acid frame, straightness, a beautiful fat, tension, a small airy side, a beautiful finesse of the grain as well as a nice freshness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of Williams pear, crushed mirabelle plum and small notes of toasted bread associated with subtle hints of yellow fruits, discreet hints of ripe citrus, fresh almond as well as an imperceptible hint of racy minerality and garrigue.

Score : 16.5+/20 (93-94/100)

Domaine Augustin - Adeodat 2015 Collioure

The nose is elegant and offers freshness, fruity, a fine intensity, a small straightness as well as a good maturity. It reveals notes of boysenberry and cooked cassis associated with touches of ripe wild strawberry, menthol licorice, racy minerality as well as a very discreet touch of black cherry, garrigue and a very discreet hint of saline minerality. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, racy and offers a fine mineral frame, straightness, a fine tension, a beautiful juiciness, a good maturity, a beautiful freshness, a small fat as well as a beautiful grain. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe cassis and blueberry associated with small notes of Bigarreau cherry, olive as well as touches of menthol licorice, a touch of tonka bean and hints of garrigue. Good length. Score : 16.5 + /20 (93-94/100)

Domaine Augustin 2016

Collioure

The nose is aromatic, elegant and straight. It reveals notes of cooked cassis and black cherry associated with small notes of blueberry, licorice, black olive, racy minerality as well as an imperceptible touch of colas and garrigue (in the background). The palate is fruity, well-balanced, precise, straight, slightly tight and offers a beautiful definition, gourmandise, a fine mineral frame, power / intensity, freshness as well as a small fat. On the palate this wine expresses notes of cooked cassis, blueberry and black cherry combined with touches of black olive, liquorice, cherry Bigarreau as well as very discreet hints of wild berries / juniper berries and almond on the finish. Tannins are fine, straight, precise and already quite supple. Score: 16.25/20 (92-93/100)

Coume Marie La Préceptorie 2017 Côtes du Roussillon

(rosé) The nose is fruity, fresh, straight and precise. It reveals notes of fresh redcurrant, black / Bigarreau cherry and blackberry associated with slight touches of white fruit and an imperceptible hint of pineapple (in the background). The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a beautiful gourmandise, a beautiful definition, a beautiful fresh frame, depthness, a beautiful grain, a beautiful fat as well as a fine acidulous/ acid frame (in the background). On the palate this wine expresses notes of redcurrant, black cherry and blackberry, cooked / very ripe cassis associated with small touches of racy minerality, subtle toasted hints as well as an imperceptible touch of white fruit (in background) and vanilla (in the background). Good length and good persistence. Discreet tannic sensation on the finish. Score : 15.25/20 (90/100)

Coume Marie La Préceptorie 2017 Côtes du Roussillon

The nose is fresh, straight, racy and offers a (very) slight intensity. It reveals notes of pear, brugnon and racy minerality associated with slight / discreet hints of fresh lemon zest / citrus (in the background). The palate is fruity, well-balanced, well-built and offers fat, unctuosity, a beautiful straightness, a beautiful freshness, tension, gourmandise, a fresh frame as well as a beautiful precision. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed Brugnon, pear and small notes of litchi associated with touches of racy minerality, very discreet touches of toasted oak / vanilla (in the background) as well as a hint of almond (in the background) and an imperceptible hint of roasted pineapple. Good length. (Very) slight hint of salinity on the finish. The finish is quite gourmande.

Score : 15.75/20 (91-92/100)

Domaine de la Préceptorie - Terres Nouvelles 2017

Côtes du Roussillon

The nose is fresh, fruity and offers a beautiful minerality, freshness as well as a captivating side. It reveals notes of fresh apple, vanilla / toasted notes and Williams pear associated with a subtle hint of quenette, roasted / ripe pineapple and an imperceptible touch of mandarin. The palate is fruity, fresh, well-balanced and offers a slight acid frame, a beautiful dynamism, straightness, a fine minerality, a beautiful guideline, a beautiful structure, roundness, fat, a beautiful freshness as well as finesse. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe Williams pear, ripe brugnon and slight hints of quenette combined with subtle hints of vanilla, ripe almond, racy minerality and an imperceptible toasted hint. Good length.

Score : 16+/20 (92-93/100)

Coume Marie La Préceptorie 2016 Côtes du Roussillon

The nose offers a beautiful maturity of the fruit, a small freshness as well as a small minerality. It reveals notes of cassis, black cherry and slight hints of ripe strawberry combined with an imperceptible toasted touch, black olive, garrigue and tonka bean. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a fine mineral frame, a beautiful straightness, a beautiful tension, a beautiful fat as well as gournandise. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe cassis, black cherry and small notes of ripe blueberry associated with an imperceptible touch of strawberry / red fruits as well as a subtle touch of black olive / garrigue, a subtle chocolate / toasted touch and hazelnut. Tannins are fine and structuring. Good length and good persistence.

Score : 15.25 + /20 (90-91/100)



Sud de France

Domaine de la Préceptorie - Terres Nouvelles 2015 Câtes du Boussillon

Côtes du Roussillon

The nose is aromatic, fresh, a bit powerful and offers gourmandise. It reveals notes of ripe cassis, ripe blueberry and small notes of blackberry associated with a hint of Bigarreau cherry, black olive as well as an imperceptible touch of thyme (in the background), tonka bean and an imperceptible spices sweet / toasted touch. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, racy and offers a small mineral frame, a beautiful juiciness, fat, unctuosity, straightness, a small tension, a fine freshness, power, gourmandise, a small roundness, a beautiful ripe fruit as well as richness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe cassis, black cherry and small notes of redcurrant combined with hints of black cherry, slight touches of sweet spices, ripe almond as well as a very discreet toasted hint, chocolate and an imperceptible touch of caramelization. Tannins are supple.

Score : 15.5/20 (90-91/100)

Parcé Frères - Grenat 2015 Maury

The nose is fresh and offers a beautiful maturity of the fruit. It reveals notes of blackberry crushed / jammy, fresh redcurrant and menthol licorice associated with a hint of garrigue and a subtle hint of cherry jam. The palate is well-balanced, dynamic and offers a beautiful freshness, a fine acid frame, roundness as well as fat. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed cassis, blueberry jam, black cherry and a subtle hint of strawberry jelly associated with touches of chocolate, toasted oak, tonka bean as well as a touch of caramelization / nougatine, prune, sweet spices, coffee, blond tobacco and an imperceptible touch of caramelized mandarin (in the background). Tannins are fine and slightly firm. Good length and beautiful persistence. Score : 15.75/20 (91-92/100)

Les Vins Parcé Frères 1988 Rivesaltes

(Bottled : 07/2017) The nose is fruity, gourmand, elegant, fine and offers freshness. It reveals notes of redcurrants, caramelization and caramelized orange combined with subtle hints of caramel pear, crystallized lemon as well as touches of nougatine, blond tobacco, sweet spices and very discreet hint of sandalwood. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, beautifully gourmande and offers a beautiful finesse, a beautiful straightness, a fine tension, fat as well as roundness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of redcurrants, caramelized orange and small notes of caramelized mandarin, dried yellow grapes, nougatine, pâtisseries associated with subtle hints of almond, rancio, toasted oak as well as discreet touches of blond tobacco and an imperceptible hint of crystallized lemon (in the background). Good length and beautiful persistence. There is a hint of nuts (hazelnut ...) on the aftertaste... Score : 16.25+/20 (93/100)

Domaine Bila-Haut 2015

Banyuls

The nose is fruity, gourmand and offers power as well as elegance. It reveals notes of boysenberry, plum and strawberry associated with small notes of liquorice as well as slight hints of redcurrant jam, crushed raspberry, black pepper as well as discreet hints of dark chocolate. The palate is fruity, juicy, elegant, well-balanced and offers good definition, fine tension, gourmandise, dynamism as well as a good guideline. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy blackberry, fleshy cassis and Quetsche plum associated with small touches of redcurrant jam, crushed raspberry as well as slight toasted hints, chocolate and a discreet hint of hazelnut. Tannins are fine and (very) slightly firm.

Score : 15.75+/20 (91-92/100)



Alsace

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Pfaff - Cuvée Bacchus 2016 - Gewurztraminer Alsace

The nose is fruity and offers a fine fleshiness. It reveals notes of vine peach, pink lychee and small notes of sweet pink grapefruit associated with hints of pear and a hint of white flowers. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers suavity, a small fleshiness, minerality, a mineral frame, a small freshness, a (very) slight tension as well as residual sugar. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy vine peach, sweet pink grapefruit and small notes of pear associated with touches of passion fruit, sweet lemon, pear as well as slight hints of white flowers and discreet hints of spices. Good length. Score : 14.75/20 (88-89/100)

Haag - Gewurztraminer 2016 Alsace

The nose is fruity, fresh, slightly crunchy and offers a small minerality. It reveals notes of crunchy peach, grapefruit mesocarp and ripe citrus associated with small notes of quenette / exotic fruits and a hint of white flowers. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, slightly gourmande and offers a fine tension, a fine suavity, a very fine acid frame, roundness as well as a small dynamism. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crunchy peach, passion fruit, quenette and pear combined with small notes of sweet pink grapefruit and sweet lemon. Good length. Score : 14.75+/20 (89/100)

Huber & Bléger - Gewurztraminer 2016 Alsace

The nose is aromatic. It reveals notes of fleshy peach and white flowers (honeysuckle, lilac, lily of the valley) associated with small touches of citrus. The palate is mineral, well-balanced and offers freshness, a small tension, roundness as well as a fine acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed Brugnon, pear and small notes of white flowers associated with fine touches of citrus and a very discreet hint of lychee. Good length and persistence. Score : 14.75+/20 (89/100)

Théo Cattin & Fils - Cuvée Prestige 2015, Gewurztraminer Bollenberg Alsace

The nose is fruity and offers minerality and a fine freshness. There are notes of exotic fruits (quenette, papaya) associated with small notes of citrus, zest, flowers and discreet fleshy peach spice and spices. The palate is fruity, balanced, precise, discreetly tart and offers a little freshness, minerality, a very fine tension, a mineral frame and crunchy. On the palate this wine expresses notes of exotic fruits and lighter citrus (lemon, yuzu, kumquat) associated with fine spikes of flowers, crispy peach and an imperceptible touch of beeswax / spices. Good length.

Score : 15/20 (89-90/100)

Pfaff - Tradition 2016, Gewurztraminer Alsace

The nose is fruity, slightly powerful and offers a fine concentration. It reveals notes of pear, flowers and small notes of apple associated with fine touches of exotic fruits, zest and a very discreet hint of spices. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good definition, a mineral frame, a fine suavity as well as a good structure. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy flat peach and quenette associated with small notes of passion fruit, pear as well as discreet hints of flowers and a hint of sweet pink grapefruit. Good length. There is a discreet hint of pink on the persistence.

Score : 14.75+/20 (89/100)

Schoffit - Cuvée Alexandre 2016 - Gewurztraminer Vieilles Vignes Alsace

The nose is aromatic, fresh and offers crunchiness. It reveals notes of flat peach, honeysuckle and small notes of exotic fruit associated with small hints of tangerine as well as a very discreet hint of apple and spices. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a fine acid frame (in the background), juiciness, suavity,

precision, elegance, a good freshness as well as a fine delicacy. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crunchy flat peach, pink lychee and small notes of flowers associated with small hints of exotic fruit as well as a very discreet hint of mandarin marmalade and spices. Good length. Score : 15.5 + 20 (91/100)

Schoffit - Cuvée Caroline 2015 - Gewurztraminer, Lieu-dit Harth

Alsace

The nose is fresh, fruity and offers power as well as a small intensity. It reveals notes of flat peach, flowers (honeysuckle, rose) and small notes of quenette associated with fine hints of pear, ripe apple and grapefruit. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good definition, a fine freshness, a racy minerality, finesse, delicacy, roundness as well as a beautiful definition. On the palate this wine expresses notes of lychee, quenette and small notes of apple associated with touches of flowers, flat peach and a very discreet hint of kumquat. Good length.

Score : 15.75/20 (91-92/100)

Dopff & Irion - Cuvée René Dopff 2016, Gewurztraminer

Alsace

The nose is fruity and offers freshness, minerality as well as a very fine concentration. It reveals notes of litchi, quenette and small notes of brugnon associated with discreet hints of kumquat, flowers as well as an imperceptible hint of flint and spices. The palate is fruity, mineral, well-balanced and offers a small freshness, suavity, a small acid frame, fat, a small finesse, delicacy as well as a fine tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of quenette, flat peach and small notes of apple associated with small hints of kumquat, lychee and flowers. Good length.

Score: 15.25+/20 (90-91/100)

Frey-Sohler - Gewurztraminer 2016, Vieilles Vignes

Alsace

The nose is fresh and offers a fine concentration. It reveals notes of quenette, pear and small notes of ripe / fresh white fruits associated with slight hints of flowers and an imperceptible touch of spices. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good structure, a small tension, a fine minerality, a fine suavity, a good guideline, roundness as well as precision. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed pear, fleshy vine peach and small notes of quenette associated with small touches of passion fruit as well as a very discreet hint of lemon blossom and an imperceptible touch of spices. Good length. Score : 15/20 (89-90/100)

Cleebourg - Reifenberg - Gewurztraminer 2015 Alsace

The nose is fresh and mineral. It reveals notes of quince, small yellow fruits and apple associated with small notes of citrus, spice / nutmeg as well as discreet hints of beeswax and minerality. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good structure, a fine mineral frame, a (very) slight freshness, roundness as well as a fine tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy peach, quince and small notes of kumquat / physalis associated with small touches of white fruits, citrus fruits and flowers.

Score : $14.5 \pm 20 (88/100)$

Domaines Schlumberger - Les Princes Abbés 2015, Gewurztraminer Alsace

The nose is fruity, precise and offers a fine concentration. It reveals notes of pear and small notes of quince, crunchy peach combined with touches of ripe citrus and an imperceptible touch of white flowers. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers suavity, a fine mineral frame, precision, elegance, a fine freshness as well as a good finesse of the grain. On the palate this wine expresses notes of pear, quenette and small notes of apple associated with fine touches of quince, crunchy nectarine and a hint of ripe citrus.

Score : 15.75/20 (91-92/100)

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Cave des Vignerons de Pfaffenheim Cuvée Ancestrum 2016, Gewurztraminer Alsace

The nose is fruity and offers minerality. It reveals notes of mango, lychee and small notes of apple compote associated with a touch of passion fruit, minerality and a subtle hint of pink. The palate is fruity, juicy, mineral, well-balanced, (very) slightly tight and offers tension as well as gourmandise. On the palate this wine expresses notes of lychee, crushed vine peach, compoted apple and small notes of passion fruit combined with touches of juicy / ripe tangerine, juicy / sweet lemon and a discreet hint of flowers. Good length. Score : 14.75 + /20 (89/100)

Vincent Spannagel - Cuvée H 2016, Gewurztraminer

Alsace

The nose is aromatic and offers concentration as well as a certain intensity. It reveals notes of lychee, rose and small notes of peach associated with small touches of candied lemon, beeswax and spices. The palate is fruity and offers a fine acidulous frame, a very fine juiciness, roundness, residual sugar, precision, freshness as well as a small tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of candied lemon, crushed vine peach and small notes of apricot peach combined with touches of roasted pineapple, discreet hints of white fruit, white flowers as well as a very discreet hint of spices and beeswax. Good length. Score : $14.5 \pm /20 \ (88/100)$

Cleebourg - Gewurztraminer 2015 Alsace

The nose is aromatic and offers intensity, a small freshness as well as minerality. It reveals notes of quince, mirabelle plum and ripe pineapple combined with touches of citrus, lychee, spice and flint. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers roundness, an acid frame, a (very) slight freshness, a good structure, a small racy minerality as well as a small tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon and zest associated with small notes of lychee, apple as well as fine hints of peach, racy minerality and a very discreet touch of fleshy yellow fruits. Good length.

Score : 14.5/20 (88/100)

Bestheim - Gewurztraminer 2015 Alsace, Roemerberg

The nose is fruity, mineral, racy and offers power. It reveals notes of lemon zests, brugnon and small notes of exotic fruits associated with touches of mandarin zest, flint and a very discreet hint of pepper. The palate is fruity, gourmande, suave, elegant, fine, straight and offers suppleness, a fine freshness, a mineral frame as well as a very fine acidity (in the background). On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed Brugnon, pear and small notes of quenette associated with a touch of lychee, exotic fruits and ripe / juicy citrus. Good length. There is a hint of flowers on the persistence / finish. Score : $15.5 \pm /20 (91/100)$

Bestheim - Gewurztraminer 2015 Alsace, Altenbourg

The nose is fruity, aromatic, precise, finely gourmand and offers elegance. It reveals notes of lime zest, lychee, quenette and small notes of brugnon associated with fine touches of pear, citrus, flint and hints of flowers. The palate is fruity, round, fat, suave, well-balanced, slightly straight and offers tension, a fine mineral frame, a fine freshness as well as a fine grain. On the palate this wine expresses notes of litchi, quenette and crushed brugnon associated with small touches of pear, candied lemon as well as discreet hints of mango and crushed mirabelle plum. Good length.

Score : 15.5/20 (90-91/100)

Hospices de Strasbourg - Gewurztraminer 2013 Alsace

The nose is fruity, aromatic and offers a small concentration. It reveals notes of mango, dried peach and small notes of apricot associated with touches of ripe citrus, kumquat and spices. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a fine suavity, a small concentration, a fine acid frame, a fine straightness as well as a very fine freshness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of mango and lychee

associated with small notes of kumquat, crushed yellow peach as well as discreet hints of marmalade, spices and an imperceptible hint of beeswax. Good length. Score: 14.5/20 (88/100)

Jean-Baptiste Adame - Gewurztraminer 2016 Alsace (bio)

The nose is mineral and (very) slightly powerful. It reveals notes of lychee, peach and small notes of citrus associated with fine touches of spices, racy minerality, flowers, almond and a very discreet hint of pear (in the background). The palate is fruity, well-balanced, gourmand, (very) slightly tight and offers a good definition, suavity, a good grain, a good freshness as well as a juicy / mineral frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of brugnon, lychee, quenette and small notes of pear associated with small touches of passion fruit as well as a very discreet hint of ripe citrus, juicy mango and an imperceptible touch of rose. Good length.

Score : 15.5/20 (90-91/100)

Domaine Vincent Stoeffler - Gewurztraminer 2016, Tradition

Alsace

The nose is finely powerful and offers elegance. It reveals notes of fleshy pear, exotic fruits and small notes of white flowers, fleshy peach combined with fine touches of quenette as well as a very discreet touch of zest and spices. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, precise, elegant, a bit gournand and offers a good definition, a fine juicy / acid frame, harmony, suavity as well as a beautiful minerality. On the palate this wine expresses notes of quenette, lychee and small notes of crunchy brugnon / peach combined with fine touches of rose, passion fruit, citrus, juicy grapes and minerality. Good length. Score : 15.5/20 (90-91/100)

Dietrich - Gewurztraminer 2016 Alsace

The nose is aromatic. It reveals notes of rose, lychee and lilac / white flowers combined with slight hints of vine peach and an imperceptible touch of fresh kumquat. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, well-built and offers a fine acid frame, a good definition, a small tension, a fine freshness, a good structure, gourmandise and precision. On the palate this wine expresses notes of lychee, rose and small notes of a quenette associated with fine touches of brugnon as well as very discreet notes of citrus and exotic fruits. Good length. Score : 15+/20 (89-90/100)

Domaine Fleck - Gewurztraminer 2016 Alsace

The nose is fruity and offers a (very) slight concentration. It reveals notes of lychee, ripe citrus and small notes of exotic fruit associated with hints of zests. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good definition, tension, an acid frame, a racy minerality as well as juiciness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of litchi, quenette and juicy / ripe mandarin combined with touches of juicy kumquat / mango, passion fruit as well as discreet hints of juicy peach and apple. Good length.

Score : 15.5+/20 (91/100)

Frédéric Mochel - Gewurztraminer 2015 Alsace

The nose is fruity, mineral and offers a fine freshness as well as a (very) slight concentration. It reveals notes of flint and ripe citrus zest associated with small notes of fresh lychee as well as discreet hints of fresh small fruits. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a beautiful freshness, fat, volume, an acidulous frame, minerality as well as a fine gourmandise. On the palate this wine expresses notes of lychee, apple and juicy nectarine combined with hints of passion fruit, ripe / juicy citrus as well as an imperceptible touch of ripe papaya and spices. Good length.

Score : 15.25+/20 (90-91/100)

Théo Cattin & Fils - Cuvée Prestige 2016, Gewurztraminer Alsace, Bollenberg

The nose is fruity and offers a fine complexity. It reveals notes of red peach,



lychee and rose associated with small touches of ripe pink grapefruit as well as discreet hints of apple. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers juiciness, roundness, a good volume, a good structure, a beautiful juiciness as well as a mineral frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy lychee, quenette and small notes of red peach associated with touches of juicy citrus (pink grapefruit, clementine) as well as discreet hints of juicy pineapple and juicy green apple. Good length.

Score : 15.75+/20 (91-92/100)

Domaine Dussourt - Reserve Prestige 2015, Gewurztraminer 2015 Alsace, Fronholz

The nose is aromatic, fresh and slightly tight. It reveals notes of rose, pink lychee and peach skin combined with touches of ripe / crunchy pineapple as well as discreet hints of kumquat. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, (very) discreetly tight, precise and offers a good definition, a fine acid frame, a racy minerality, softness, a certain delicacy, a good structure, tension as well as fat. On the palate this wine expresses notes of lychee, quenette and small notes of fleshy vine peach associated with small touches of citrus (ripe mandarin, kumquat) as well as fine touches of crushed mirabelle plum, racy minerality and passion fruit. Good length. Score : 16 + 20 (92 - 93/100)

Domaine Dussourt - Reserve Prestige 2016, Gewurztraminer 2015 Alsace, Fronholz

The nose is fresh, fruity, racy and offers a small intensity. It reveals notes of rose, apple, nectarine and small touches of lychee combined with fine touches of fresh passion fruit and a discreet hint of fresh quince. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, juicy and offers gourmandise, tension, a good guideline as well as finesse. On the palate this wine expresses notes of litchi, fleshy / juicy quenette and small notes of flowers associated with touches of apple, quince as well as slight hints of passion and apple. Good length. Score : 16.25/20 (92-93/100)

Domaine Fleck - Gewurztraminer 2015 Alsace

The nose is a bit close and offers a small richness. It reveals notes of lychee, rose and small notes of nectarine associated with small touches of spices as well as discreet hints of exotic fruits (mango, kumquat). The palate is juicy, fruity, gourmand, well-balanced, elegant and offers a beautiful mineral frame, a fine acidity, a beautiful juiciness as well as suavity. On the palate this wine expresses vine peach and quenette associated with small notes of brugnon, lychee as well as touches of juicy citrus (mandarin, lemon), a discreet hint of pineapple and an imperceptible hint of flowers (in the background). Good length. Score : 15.5/20 (90-91/100)

Domaine Stentz-Buecher - Gewurztraminer 2016 Alsace, Rosenberg

The nose is aromatic and offers a small intensity. It reveals notes of rose, lychee / lychee core and small notes of flowers associated with touches of exotic fruits, ripe citrus and spices. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, well built and offers a good definition, a fine juicy frame, a fine acidity, a racy minerality as well as straightness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of litchi, rose and small notes of quenette associated with slight touches of apple, flowers and an imperceptible touch of citrus. Good length.

Score : 15+/20 (89-90/100)

Edmond Rentz - Gewurztraminer 2016, Terroir Alsace, Rotenburg

The nose is juicy and offers a fine concentration. It reveals notes of juicy citrus and juicy apple associated with small notes of exotic fruit, flowers, a hint of vine peach as well as discreet hints of flint. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, well-built and offers a good definition, a beautiful juiciness, dynamism, a discreet acidic frame (in the background) as well as a fine suavity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe / juicy citrus, juicy peach and small notes of exotic fruit combined with fine touches of juicy / ripe pineapple, juicy kumquat and an imperceptible touch of lime zest (in the background). Good length. Good aromatic persistence.

Score : 15.75/20 (91-92/100)

Frédéric Mochel - Aestas, Gewurztraminer 2015 Alsace

The nose is fresh, fruity and offers a fine concentration / richness. It reveals notes of lychee and fresh citrus associated with small notes of apple and peach. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good definition, a beautiful tension, straightness, suavity, a good freshness, roundness, fleshiness as well as a fine acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed vine peach, pear and small notes of litchi associated with small touches of crystallized lemon, a touch of mandarin marmalade and slight hints of apple. Good length. Score : 14.75/20 (88-89/100)

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Lucien Albrecht - Gewurztraminer 2015 Alsace Grand Cru, Spiegel

The nose is fruity and offers a fine richness. It reveals notes of quenette, peach compote and small notes of pear associated with touches of quince, flowers and discreet hints of spices. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a fine mineral frame, a fine tension, a fine suavity, fat, gourmandise as well as a fine straightness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed vine peach, pear, quenette and small notes of litchi associated with slight hints of rose as well as a subtle hint of passion fruit and juicy mango. Good length. Score : 15/20 (89-90/100)

Edmond Rentz - Gewurztraminer 2015 Alsace Grand Cru, Froehn

The nose is fruity and offers minerality. It reveals notes of lychee and ripe / juicy citrus fruits associated with hints of rose as well as subtle hints of kumquat. The palate is fruity, juicy, well-balanced, well-built, beautifuly gourmand and offers a beautiful mineral frame, freshness, a certain delicacy, a beautiful juiciness as well as a certain finesse. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy lychee, juicy kumquat and small notes of juicy nectarine combined with touches of flowers as well as slight hints of quince, mirabelle plum and citrus fruits. Good length. Score : 15.25+/20 (90-91/100)

Frédéric Mochel - Gewurztraminer 2015 Alsace Grand Cru, Altenberg de Bergbieten

The nose is aromatic, racy and offers power. It reveals notes of racy minerality / flint and small notes of citrus associated with small touches of rose and lychee. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, suave and offers a fine acid frame, a good deifnition, juiciness, a fine tension, a small fleshiness, gourmandise as well as elegance. On the palate this wine expresses notes of litchi, juicy flat peach and small notes of passion fruit associated with small touches of juicy citrus, flowers, racy minerality as well as a very discreet hint of mango (in the background) Score : $15.5 \pm 20 (91/100)$

René Fleck - Gewurztraminer 2015 Alsace Grand Cru, Zinnkoepflé

The nose is fruity, well-built and offers minerality and freshness. It reveals notes of lychee, juicy peach and small notes of ripe / fresh orange combined with touches of fresh flowers as well as slight hints of racy minerality and a very discreet hint of spices. The palate is juicy, well-balanced, suave, gourmand, wellbuilt and offers a good definition, a slight racy minerality, a (very) slight aerial side as well as a beautiful suavity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy quenette and ripe lemon associated with small notes of juicy brugnon, slight touches of juicy ripe tangerine, juicy pineapple, passion fruit as well as a very discreet hint of racy minerality and an imperceptible touch of juicy mango. Good length.

Score : 16/20 (92/100)

Domaine Fleck - Gewurztraminer 2016 Alsace Grand Cru, Zinnkoepflé

The nose is fruity, juicy, well-built and gourmand. It reveals notes of juicy nectarine and juicy citrus (lemon, tangerine) combined with small notes of zest and a discreet hint of quince. The palate is fruity, juicy, well-balanced, gourmande, well-built and offers a good definition, precision, freshness, a slight acidulous

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frame, a beautiful minerality as well as a certain delicacy. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy / crushed peach and ripe / juicy citrus associated with small notes of quenette, passion fruit as well as discreet hints of quince and apple. Good length.

Score : 15.5+/20 (91/100)

Bestheim - Gewurztraminer 2015 Alsace Grand Cru, Zinnkoepflé

The nose is fruity, racy and offers a fine intensity as well as a good structure. It reveals notes of passion fruit, mango and small notes of citrus zest (lime, mandarin) associated with fine touches of nectarine and minerality. The palate is fruity, gourmande, well-balanced, elegant, round and offers a small richness, a beautiful mineral frame, a fine freshness, precision, a fine unctuosity, fat, a fine tension as well as a good structure / definition. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon, quenette and vine peach associated with small notes of sweet grapefruit, small touches of white flowers as well as discreet hints of fleshy mango. Good length and persistence. Score : 16/20 (92/100)

Dirler-Cadé - Gewurztraminer 2016 Alsace Grand Cru, Saering

The nose is fruity, (very) slightly tight and offers a fine complexity. The wine needs to be put in carafe. It reveals notes of rose, pink litchi and small notes of passion fruit associated with slight touches of citrus and a touch of ripe apricot. The palate is fruity, fresh, racy and offers a mine-ral frame (racy minerality), a good definition, precision, suavity as well as dynamism. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy lychee, juicy quenette and small notes of rose associated with slight touches of crunchy brugnon, passion fruit as well as a discreet touch of mango, citrus and flint. Good length and good persistence. Score : 16/20 (92/100)

Dirler-Cadé - Gewurztraminer 2016 Alsace Grand Cru, Kitterlé

The nose is fruity, racy and offers a small minerality and a fine concentration. It reveals notes of quenette, rose and exotic fruit combined with small notes of fresh mango as well as slight hints of ripe citrus and an imperceptible touch of pepper. The mouth is juicy, elegant, well-built, beautifuly gourmande and offers a small dynamism, a mineral frame, a fine acidity, fat, finesse as well as a small fleshiness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy quenette, crushed green apple and crushed vine peach associated with fine touches of lychee, mango and a very discreet touch of ananas and citrus. Good length.

Score : 16.5/20 (93/100)

Jean-Baptiste Adam - Cuvée Jean-Baptiste 2015, Gewurztraminer Alsace Grand Cru, Kaefferkopf

The nose is fruity, elegant and offers a fine intensity as well as a (very) slight concentration. It reveals notes of rose, crunchy brugnon and small notes of apple associated with small touches of exotic fruits as well as discreet hints of ripe lemon and pineapple. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, racy, elegant and offers a good definition, a beautiful mineral frame, a fine acidity, a small aerial side as well as a small juiciness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of quenette, fleshy / juicy nectarine and small notes of rose / flowers associated with touches of juicy pineapple, juicy lychee, ripe / juicy green apple as well as discreet hints of juicy citrus and flowers. Good length. The finish is gourmande and suave.

Score : 16.25/20 (92-93/100)

Joseph Cattin - Gewurztraminer 2016 Alsace Grand Cru, Hatschbourg

The nose is fruity, fresh, well-managed and offers elegance. It reveals notes of lychee, crunchy nectarine and small notes of ripe/fresh citrus associated with fine touches of flowers as well as a discreet hint of apple and racy minerality. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, well-built and offers a good definition, suavity, finesse as well as a fine delicacy. On the palate this wine expresses notes of

fleshy quenette, lychee and small notes of fleshy nectarine associated with small touches of citrus (juicy mandarin ...), kumquat as well as a very discreet touch of racy minerality, flowers and an imperceptible hint of apple. Good length. Score : 15.75/20 (91-92/100)

Joseph Cattin - Gewurztraminer 2015 Alsace Grand Cru, Hatschbourg

The nose is aromatic, juicy, well-built, slightly gournand and offers elegance. It reveals notes of juicy peach and ripe / juicy citrus (mandarin, grapefruit) combined with fine touches of pear, lychee and fresh flowers. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, juicy, well built, racy, suave, beautifuly gournande and offers a good definition, a acidulous / juicy frame as well as a good volume. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy vine peach, juicy pear and small notes of juicy citrus (mandarin, grapefruit) combined with touches of lychee, quenette as well as slight hints of passion fruit and of apple. Good length.

Score : 16.25+/20 (93/100)

Domaine Stentz-Buecher - Gewurztraminer 2016 Alsace Grand Cru, Hengst

The nose is elegant, (very) slightly tight, slightly powerful and offers a fine richness. It reveals notes of quenette, lemon zest and small notes of brugnon associated with touches of mango, pear, racy minerality and an imperceptible touch of pepper. The palate is fruity, juicy, well-balanced, very discreetly tight and offers a beautiful acidulous / citrus frame, elegance, a certain delicacy as well as a fine suavity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon, juicy tangerine and small notes of litchi associated with fine touches of yuzu zest, passion fruit and a very discreet hint of juicy grapes. Good length.

Score : 16.25/20 (92-93/100)

Wolfberger - Gewurztraminer 2016 Alsace Grand Cru, Hengst

The nose is fresh, racy and mineral. It reveals notes of ripe apple and ripe nectarine combined with small notes of lychee, rose and an imperceptible touch of lemon zest. The palate is fruity, mineral, well-balanced and offers a fine freshness, tension, good structure, a fine straightness as well as a fine suavity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe apple, fleshy / ripe nectarine and small notes of litchi associated with fine touches of rose, citrus as well as a discreet hint of crunchy pineapple and white flowers. Good length. Score : 15.25/20 (90/100)

Bestheim - Gewurztraminer 2016 Alsace Grand Cru, Mambourg

The nose is fruity, elegant, racy and offers complexity. It reveals notes of lychee, rose / white flowers and small notes of racy minerality associated with fine touches of quenette, zest as well as a very discreet hint of ripe/crunchy apricot and white pepper. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, gourmandise, well-built and offers juiciness, a fine fresh-

ness, a fine minerality, a fine acid frame, elegance, finesse as well as precision. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed brugnon, pear and small notes of quenette associated with fine touches of rose, lychee as well as discreet hints of citrus / mandarin marmalade and an imperceptible hint of candied apricot. Good length.

Score : 16.25/20 (92-93/100)

Domaines Schlumberger - Gewurztraminer 2015 Alsace Grand Cru, Kessler

The nose is aromatic, racy, slightly powerful and offers a small complexity. It reveals notes of apple, litchi and small notes of flowers associated with discreet hints of exotic fruits, fleshy peach as well as an imperceptible hint of racy minerality and spices. The palate is fruity, suave, well-balanced, elegant and offers a good definition, a fine mineral frame, a very fine tension, precision, fat, roundness as well as a fine freshness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of quenette, litchi and small notes of fleshy peach combined with fine touches of mango, discrete hints of ripe citrus (sweet pink grapefruit, sweet lime) as well as an imperceptible hint of flowers and rose.

Score : 16.25+/20 (93/100)

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Dirler-Cadé - Gewurztraminer 2016 Alsace Grand Cru, Kessler

The nose is fruity and fleshiness. It reveals notes of crushed peach, lychee and small notes of passion fruit associated with fine touches of ripe citrus and rose. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, suave and offers a beautiful minerality, a beautiful juiciness, elegance, gourmandise, a mineral frame, freshness, dynamism, volume as well as a good definition. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy vine peach and litchi associated with small notes of quenette, citrus (kumguat, ripe / juicy grapefruit) as well as small touches of exotic fruits and a subtle hint of quince. Good length.

Score : 16+/20 (92-93/100)

Becker - Gewurztraminer 2016 Alsace Grand Cru, Schoenenbourg (bio)

The nose is aromatic, mineral, elegant and racy. It reveals notes of nectarine, rose and small notes of exotic fruit (guava, lychee) associated with fine touches of citrus as well as discreet hints of racy minerality and spices. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, elegant, precise, discreetly tight and offers good definition, juiciness, a fine acid frame, straightness, tension, gourmandise, a small fleshiness as well as a fine depthness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of vine peach, ripe pink grapefruit and rose associated with small notes of exotic fruits (quenette, lychee) as well as discreet touches of mango, sweet clementine and vine peach. Good length.

Score : 16.5/20 (93/100)

Wolfberger - Gewurztraminer 2016 Alsace Grand Cru, Frankstein

The nose is fruity, fresh and offers cunchiness as well as a fine intensity. It reveals notes of ripe peach, rose and small notes pink lychee combined with a hint of guava, mandarin zest, flint and a very discreet hint of gray pepper. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good definition, a fine suavity, a fine juiciness, a fine acid frame, a small fat, a fine tension as well as a beautiful fine grain. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy peach, mango and lychee combined with touches of rose, ripe citrus (pink grapefruit, mandarin) as well as slight hints of zest, apple and racy minerality. Good length.

Score : 15.75+/20 (91-92/100)

Becker - Gewurztraminer 2016 Alsace Grand Cru, Sonnenglanz (bio)

The nose is aromatic, racy and offers power, a fine concentration. It reveals notes of kumquat, quenette and small notes of nectarine associated with fine touches of racy minerality, zest as well as a discreet hint of pepper and an imperceptible hint of apricot. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, mineral, racy, elegant and offers a fine freshness, a beautiful definition, a good guideline, gourmandise as well as a beautiful finesse of the grain. On the palate this wine expresses notes of vine peach, mango, quenette and small notes of litchi associated with small touches of orange as well as an imperceptible touch of juicy apricot and flowers. Good length and good persistence.

Score : 16.5/20 (93/100)

Bestheim - Gewurztraminer 2015 Alsace Grand Cru, Furstentum

The nose is fruity, aromatic and powerful. It reveals notes of peach skin, citrus zest and small notes of mango, marmalade associated with small touches of spices, flowers and a very discreet hint of nutmeg. The palate is juicy, fruity, wellbalanced, well-built and offers gourmandise, a good definition, a fine acid / juicy frame, dynamism as well as a good structure. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy peach, quince, mango and small notes of quenette associated with small touches of quenette, crushed pear as well as hints of ripe / juicy citrus and a very discreet hint of spices. Good length. Score : 15.5/20 (90-91/100)

Wolfberger - Gewurztraminer 2015 Alsace Grand Cru, Steinert

The nose is aromatic, racy and offers finesse. It reveals notes of rose, nectarine and flint associated with discreet touches of passion fruit and a discreet touch of mandarin. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good definition, a fine freshness, a slight crunchiness, a fine intensity as well as a slight residual sugar.

On the palate this wine expresses notes of crunchy pear and fleshy/crunchy vine peach associated with small notes of passion fruit, quenette as well as discreet hints of sweet pink grapefruit, a very discreet hint of lemon sweet as well as an imperceptible varietal hint. Good length. Score : 15.25+/20 (90-91/100)

Wolfberger - Gewurztraminer 2016 Alsace Grand Cru, Steingrubler

The nose is fruity, concentrated, racy and offers a fine intensity. It reveals notes of ripe flat peach, pear and lychee combined with touches of rose, flint as well as a discreet hint of apple and a very discreet hint of zest. The palate is fruity, wellbalanced and offers a good definition, a fine acid / juicy frame, finesse, tension, a good guideline, a racy minerality as well as a certain delicacy. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe apple, fleshy / juicy nectarine, lychee and small notes of crunchy pineapple associated with touches of white flowers, rose, flint as well as a discreet hint of zest mandarin. Good length. Score : 15.75/20 (91-92/100)

Wolfberger - Gewurztraminer 2016 Alsace Grand Cru, Pfersigberg

The nose is aromatic, racy, relatively complex and offers a fine elegance. It reveals notes of rose, white flowers and pear associated with small notes of quince, ripe nectarine as well as small touches of racy minerality, exotic fruits and a discreet hint of citrus. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, mineral and offers a fine juiciness, a good definition, a fine acid frame, a fine juiciness / a fine crunchiness, dynamism as well as finesse. On the palate this wine expresses notes of vine peach, fleshy pear and small notes of passion fruit combined with small touches of honeysuckle, rose as well as a very discreet hint of ripe clementine and apple. Good length and good persistence.

Score: 15.5/20 (90-91/100)

Wolfberger - Gewurztraminer 2016 Alsace Grand Cru, Eichberg

The nose is fruity, gourmand and offers fleshiness. It reveals notes of fleshy peach, pear and small notes of guince associated with touches of exotic fruit, flint as well as a discreet hint of lime zest. The palate is fruity, juicy, well-balanced, gourmande and offers a good definition, a fine acid frame, juiciness, tension as well as precision. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed apple, fleshy vine peach and small notes of pear associated with fine touches of quince as well as discreet hints of citrus (mandarin, lemon) and exotic fruits. Good length.

Score : $15.5 \pm 20 (91/100)$

Wolfberger - Gewurztraminer 2016 Alsace Grand Cru, Ollwiller

The nose is aromatic, racy and offers concentration. It reveals notes of white flowers / honeysuckle and small notes of ripe flat peach combined with fine touches of lychee, fresh citrus and flint. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, fresh, mineral, precise, racy and offers a good definition, an aerial side, elegance, freshness as well as roundness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe peach, lychee, quenette and small notes of pear associated with small touches of passion fruit, citrus as well as discreet hints of flint and zest of sweet mandarin. Good length.

Score : 15.5/20 (90-91/100)

Frey-Sohler - Gewurztraminer 2012 Alsace Grand Cru, Frankstein

The nose is fruity, slightly gourmand and offers a (very) slight richness / intensity. It reveals notes of mirabelle plum, spices, ripe citrus fruits (lemon, kumquat) and small notes of a quenette associated with small touches of beeswax, peach, flowers and an imperceptible touch of gingerbread. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, racy, slightly gourmande and offers freshness, elegance, a fine mineral frame as well as precision. On the palate this wine expresses notes of quenette, crushed flat peach, quince and small notes of mirabelle plum associated with small touches of citrus, apple, exotic fruits, flowers, beeswax as well as a very discreet hint of spices. Good length.

Score : 15.5+/20 (91/100)

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Domaine Schoffit - Clos Saint-Théobald Gewurztraminer 2016 Alsace Grand Cru, Rangen

The nose is elegant, aromatic, fine, complex and offers a beautiful aromatic palette. The wine needs to be put in carafe. It reveals notes of lychee, rose and quenette combined with touches of crunchy flat peach, flint as well as discreet touches of yellow berries, ripe pineapple, beeswax and very discreet hints of spices. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, racy and offers a good definition, dynamism, a small tension, a beautiful elegance, a beautiful finesse of the grain, delicacy, a beautiful finesse as well as a fine acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crystallized lemon, fleshy flat peach and small notes of litchi, rose associated with small touches of apple, honeysuckle as well as discreet hints of spices (in the background). Good length. Score : 17.5/20 (95/100)

Haag - Cuvée Marie 2016, Gewurztraminer Alsace Grand Cru, Zinnkoepfle

The nose is fruity, elegant, precise, racy and offers a beautiful definition. It reveals notes of quenette, citrus zest and small notes of flowers (rose, honeysuckle) associated with slight hints of lychee, green apple and racy minerality. The palate is fruity, suave, well-balanced and offers a fine acid frame, gourmandise, precision, a (very) slight tension, a fine freshness, elegance as well as good fineness of the grain. On the palate this wine expresses notes of quenette, ripe / compoted apple and passion fruit associated with small touches of flowers, citrus as well as a discreet hint of crushed kumquat and racy minerality. Good length. Score : 15.25 + /20 (90-91/100)

Vincent Stoeffler - Gewurztraminer 2015 Alsace Grand Cru, Kirchberg de Barr

The nose is aromatic, slightly powerful and offers a fine intensity. It reveals notes of yellow peach, candied pineapple and small notes of crystallized lemon associated with touches of quenette, pear and fine touches of citrus (quince, kumquat), flowers as well as a discreet hint of spices and an imperceptible touch of white pepper. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, well-built, silkiness, suave and offers a good definition, a fine juiciness, minerality, a fine acid frame, gourmandise, a fine freshness as well as a slight aerial side. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crystallized lemon, crushed peach and passion fruit associated with small touches of quenette, kumquat, apricot, minerality as well as a very discreet hint of flowers. Good length.

Score : 16/20 (92/100)

Wolfberger - Gewurztraminer 2016 Alsace Grand Cru, Kirchberg de Barr

The nose is fruity, racy and offers elegance as well as gourmandise. It reveals notes of sweet pink grapefruit and sweet lemon combined with small notes of pineapple, apple as well as slight hints of honeysuckle, mango and passion fruit. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, suave, racy, a bit gourmande and offers fat, a good tension, precision, straightness, elegance, a mineral frame, roundness, volume, a small complexity as well as a small aerial side. On the palate this wine expresses notes of sweet pink grapefruit, ripe / crushed vine peach and small notes of sweet lemon associated with small touches of pineapple, pear as well as a very discreet touch of honeysuckle and passion fruits. Score : 16/20 (92/100)

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Domaine Fleck - Vendanges Tardives, Gewurztraminer 2015 Alsace

The nose is fruity, mineral and offers a fine freshness as well as a fine minerality. It reveals notes of flat peach, apple and small notes of ripe citrus associated with small touches of quince, zest, minerality as well as a discreet hint of lychee. The palate is fruity, fresh, mineral, well-balanced and offers a good definition as well as a fresh frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed apple, compoted peach and small notes of pear associated with small touches of passion fruit, quenette as well as hints of crystallized citrus and a very discreet hint of almonds / dried fruits (in the background / on the finish). Good length. Score : 15+/20 (89-90/100)

Haag - Vendanges Tardives, Gewurztraminer 2015 Alsace Grand Cru, Zinnkoepfle

The nose is fruity, slightly tight, racy and offers richness as well as a small freshness. It reveals notes of lychee, crushed pear and small notes of exotic fruit associated with small hints of crushed Brugnon as well as a hint of flowers and roasted pineapple. The palate is fresh, mineral, fruity, well-balanced, precise, dynamic and offers a beautiful acidulous frame, a beautiful minerality, a beautiful juiciness ans well as a small freshness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed peach, crushed pear and small notes of crystallized lemon associated with touches of zest, small hints of roasted pineapple, lychee as well as a discreet hint of honey, dry apricot and an imperceptible hint of almond. Good length. Score : 15.5 + /20 (91/100)

Dopff & Irion - Sélection de Grains Nobles, Gewurztraminer 2015 Alsace

The nose is fruity and offers a small intensity, a small freshness as well as a fine concentration. It reveals notes of brugnon, pear and small notes of crushed apple associated with small touches of rose / white flowers, candied citrus, minerality and an imperceptible touch of spice. The palate is fruity, fine, well-balanced, precise and offers a certain delicacy, a fine suavity, a fresh frame, minerality, a good guideline as well as a slight straightness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crystallized lemon, candied apple and small notes of peach in syrup associated with small touches of crystallized tangerine, juicy / ripe pineapple, subtle hints of juicy quenette and as well as imperceptible hint of beeswax and spices. Score : 14.75 + /20 (89/100)

Bestheim - Vendanges Tardives, Gewurztraminer 2015 Alsace

The nose is fruity, juicy and well-built. It reveals notes of quince and mirabelle plum associated with small notes of quenette, candied kumquat as well as touches of exotic fruits and hints of flower. The palate is fruity, juicy, well-balanced and offers a good definition, an acid frame, a fine suavity, a good freshness, roundness as well as tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crystallized lemon, crystallized brugnon and small notes of green apple associated with small touches of mandarin, exotic fruits as well as hints of fresh white fruits, quince and discreet hints of honey (in the background). Good length. Score : 15.25/20 (90/100)

Dopff & Irion - Vendanges Tardives, Gewurztraminer 2015 Alsace

The nose is mineral and a bit powerful. It reveals notes of quince, ripe citrus and small notes of nectarine associated with a touch of lychee, racy minerality and a discreet hint of flowers. The palate is fruity, fresh, juicy, balanced, mineral and offers a slight straightness, precision as well as a slight mineral frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fresh nectarine and ripe / fresh green apple associated with small touches of lychee, juicy grapes, candied citrus fruit as well as hints of minerality, passion fruit and an imperceptible touch of apricot puree. Score : $14.5 \pm /20$ (88/100)

Pfaff - Vendanges Tardives, Gewurztraminer 2015 Alsace

The nose is fresh, fruity and offers a fine intensity and minerality. It reveals notes of fresh kumquat, fresh tangerine, crushed brugnon and small notes of quenette associated with touches of racy minerality as well as hints of fresh flowers and a discreet hint of zest. The palate is fruity, juicy and offers a slight suavity, tension, a fine acidulous frame as well as freshness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crystallized lemon, crystallized kumquat and small notes of lychee associated with touches of roasted pineapple, candied peach, subtle hints of quenette, racy minerality as well as an imperceptible touch of mango fresh and zests. Score : 14.5 + /20 (88/100)

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MORGON

Domaine du Penlois - Terres Rouges 2016 Morgon

The nose is fruity, well-built and offers a (very) slight concentration. It reveals notes of Bigarreau cherry, blackberry, crushed redcurrants and small notes of crushed black fruit associated with fine hints of rosemary, spices and Sichuan pepper. The palate is fruity, juicy, mineral, well-built and offers a beautiful acid frame, a beautiful suavity, tension, gourmandise, freshness as well as a beautiful matter. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy cherry, juicy redcurrant and small notes of cassis associated with small touches of crunchy wild strawberry, juicy plum, hints of spices, violet as well as an imperceptible hint of sweet spices / licorice and dark chocolate. Tannins are fine and discreetly chewy. Good length. Score : 16/20 (92/100)

Domaine Striffling 2016

Morgon

The nose is fruity, (very) slightly powerful and offers a fine concentration. The wine needs to be put in carafe. It reveals notes of black cherry, crushed raspberry and small notes of crushed redcurrants combined with fine touches of cassis, flowers / violet as well as hints of zan, racy minerality and a discreet hint of red pepper. Cuben. The palate is fruity, wellbalanced and offers juiciness, dynamism, a beautiful acid frame, tension, a small suavity as well as roundness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe redcurrants, cassis and small notes of blackberry associated with small touches of wild raspberry as well as slight hints of violet, granite, zan and an imperceptible touch of vanilla (in background). Tannnins are well-built. Good length.

Score : 15.5+/20 (91/100)

Bonne Tonne 2016

Morgon

The nose offers a very fine creaminess. It reveals notes of wild strawberry, boysenberry and plum associated with a discreet hint of wild black berries (elderberries ...), spices and gray pepper. The palate is fruity, juicy, wellbalanced, well-built and offers a beautiful grain, a fine fleshiness / creaminess, gourmandise, roundness, a small concentration as well as precision. On the palate this wine expresses notes of red cherry, crushed blackberry and ripe / crushed wild strawberry combined with small notes of granite. almost saline minerality, crushed blueberry as well as slight hints of spices and a very discreet hint of vanilla. Tannins are well-built. Good length. Score : 15.75+/20 (91-92/100)

Domaine Striffling - Les Charmes 2016 Morgon

The nose is aromatic, gourmand and offers concentration and a small power. It reveals notes of vanilla, toasted notes, fleshy strawberry, blackberry and small notes of red berries associated with small hints of rose / violet, toasted hazelnut and a very discreet hint of pepper. The palate is fruity, juicy, well-balanced, well-built, racy and offers a beautiful mineral frame, beautiful acidity, a good structure, beautiful acidity, suavity as well as a good structure. On the palate this wine expresses notes of raspberry, wild strawberry and small notes of plum associated with fine touches of elderberry, violet as well as hints of cassis, vanilla / toasted hints and a discreet touch of granite. Tannins are well-built. Good length and good persistence.

Score : 15.25/20 (90/100)

Bonne Tonne - Côte du Py 2016 Morgon

The nose is aromatic and offers concentration. It reveals notes of blackberry, vanilla and small notes of crushed raspberry associated with touches of redcurrant, crunchy cassis as well as toasted touches, cuben pepper and chocolate / caramelization. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, suave, well-built and offers a good definition, a beautiful suavity, gourmandise, a acid frame as well as tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of redcurrant, wild strawberry and small notes of blackberry, crushed blueberry associated with small touches of vanilla, caramelization, granite, acidulous violet candy as well as with a discreet hint of pepper. Tannins are well-built, fine and structuring. Good length and persistence. Beautiful gourmandise. Score : 16.25+/20 (93/100)

Domaine Gaget - Côte du Py 2016 Morgon

The nose is aromatic and a bit powerful. It reveals notes of cassis, crushed strawberry and small notes of crushed cherry, redcurrants associated with varietal touches / bulb, toasted hints, vanilla as well as small hints of Sichuan pepper and violets. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, (very) slightly tight and offers a good definition, a beautiful acid frame as well as a small minerality. On the palate this wine expresses notes of redcurrants, crunchy cherry and small notes of fleshy / crunchy cassis, hints of blackberry as well as slight hints of caramelization, liquorice and vanilla. Tannins are fine and discreetly chewy. Good length. Score : 14.75+/20 (89/100)

Domaine Gaget - Grands Cras 2016 Morgon

The nose is fruity, a bit on the reserve and offers a fine richness. It reveals notes of crushed redcurrants, crunchy blackberry and small notes of plum associated with touches of wild red berries as well as hints of granite, toasted hints, vanilla and very discreet hints of bulb. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, mineral, racy, suave, round and offers juiciness, an acid frame, a fine tension, a small straightness, suavity, gourmandise as well as a good definition. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crunchy red berries, red cherry and small notes of crunchy blackberry combined with a small touch of crunchy plum as well as hints of bulb, vanilla, toasted hints and a very discreet hint of pepper (in the background). Good length. Score: 15 ± 20 (89-90/100)

Domaine du Petit Pérou - Cuvée Prestige 2008, Vieilles Vignes Morgon

The nose is fruity, aromatic, beautifuly gourmand and offers a small richness and a fine creaminess. It reveals notes of vanilla, fleshy blackberry and small notes of redcurrants combined with touches of crunchy wild strawberries as well as slight hints of balsamic, granite, ripe almond and a very discreet hint of spices. The palate is fruity, juicy, gourmand, suave, very discreetly tight and offers a beautiful definition, a fine creaminess / unctuosity, a small tension as well as a small acidulous frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy blackberry, crushed strawberry and small notes of crushed blueberry associated with small touches of juicy / acidulous redcurrants, vanilla, crunchy wild red berries as well as slight toasted hints. Tannins are well-built. Good length. Score 16.25/20 (92-93/100)

Dominique Piron - La Chanaise 2016 Morgon

The nose is fruity, aromatic, a bit powerful and offers elegance. It reveals notes of blueberry, crushed/ripe red berries, and almost saline minerality associated with small notes of blackberry as well as discreet hints of Sichuan pepper, black cherry, and discreet toasted hints. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, racy, well-built, precise and offers a beautiful juiciness, an acid frame, gourmandise, dynamism as well as a certain delicacy. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy red berries, raspberry and small notes of black cherry associated with small touches of blueberry, crunchy strawberry as well as discreet hints of licorice / colas and sweet spices. Tannins are fine and slightly firm. Therre is a very discreet hint of chocolate on the persistence.

Score : 15.5/20 (90-91/100)

Dominique Piron - Côte du Py 2016 Morgon

The nose is fruity, a bit powerful / concentration as well as a very fine richness. It reveals notes of fleshy strawberry, fleshy blackberry and small

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notes of cassis associated with slight hints of liquorice, violet, granite, spices and a very discreet hint of ripe almond. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, juicy, racy and offers a good definition, a fine tension, a fine suavity, straightness as well as a racy minerality. On the palate this wine expresses notes of black cherry, blackberry and small notes of crunchy strawberry associated with small touches of berries as well as slight hints of sweet spices, almond and an imperceptible touch of violet. Tannins are fine and (very) slightly firm. Good length Score : 15/20 (89-90/100)

Domaine du Petit Pérou - Tradition 2016 Morgon :

The nose is aromatic. It reveals notes of cherry, **P**ed berries and small notes of crushed blackberry associated with small touches of liquorice, flowers as well as discreet hints of spice, ripe bell pepper, gray pepper and an imperceptible hint of zan / tobacco. The palate is fruity, suave, well-balanced and offers a small straightness, tension, a fine minerality racy as well as a fine juiciness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of black cherry, boysenberry, ripe / crushed redcurrants and small notes of plum associated with small touches of flowers, granite as well as subtle hints of zan / blond tobacco, ripe bell pepper and very discreet hints of tea. Tannins are a bit firm. Good length. Score : $15 \pm /20$ (89-90/100)

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ALENTEJANO

Joao Ramos - Vila Santa - Reserva 2015 Vinho Regional Alentejano

The nose is fruity and offers a fine freshness, concentration, power as well as a (very) slight intensity. It reveals notes of crushed cassis and crushed red berries associated with touches of crushed/fleshy raspberry, wild blueberry as well as slight touches of spices, garrigue / rosemary, sweet spices, flowers and a discreet hint of Timut pepper. The palate is fruity, mineral, fresh, juicy, well-balanced, slightly tight, concentrated and offers roundness, tension, power as well as a (very) slight unctuosity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed blackberry, crushed cassis and small notes of juicy / ripe wild red berries associated with fine touches of blueberry, garrigue (olive, rosemary) as well as discreet hints of sweet spices and vanilla / chocolate. Tannins are fine and supple. Good length.

Score : 15/20 (89-90/100)

Herdade de Sao Miguel -Art. Terra -Amphora 2017 Vinho Regional Alentejano

The nose is relatively fruity. It reveals notes of cassis and small notes of blackberry associated with small notes of ripe wild berries as well as a hint of garrigue / rosemary and terracotta. The palate is fruity, fleshy, well-balanced and offers straightness, tension, juiciness, roundness as well as a fine freshness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy blackberry, fleshy wild strawberry and small notes of fleshy cherry associated with fine hints of blueberry jam, sweet spices, chocolate, candied fruit (in the background) and terracotta. Tannins are well-built. Good length. The finish is slightly close.

Score: 14.75+/20 (89/100)

<mark>Joao Ramos Pouca Roupa 2016</mark> Vinho Regional Alentejano

The nose is concentrated and mineral. It reveals notes of minerality, eucalyptus and flowers associated with small notes of crushed blackberry, crushed strawberry as well as discreet touches of garrigue and spices. The palate is fruity, juicy, mineral, well-balanced and offers a fine freshness, tension, fleshiness, an acid frame as well as a fine unctuosity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed wild strawberry, fleshy cherry and small notes of crushed redcurrants combined with small touches of minerality as well as fine touches of eucalyptus, garrigue, liquorice, chocolate and spices. Tannins are slightly chery.

Score : 14.5/20 (88/100)

Herdade de Sao Miguel -2016 Colheita Seleccionada Vinho Regional Alentejano

The nose is fruity, a bit tight and offers concentration. It reveals notes of crushed blackberry, black cherry and red berries associated with small touches of wild strawberry, olive, chocolate as well as discreet hints of minerality, caramelized oak and an imperceptible hint olive tree. The palate is fruity, juicy, mineral, well-balanced, precise and offers suavity, a fine straightness, a fine unctuosity, juiciness as well as fleshiness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of wild blackberry, wild cassis and crushed wild red berries associated with small notes of raspberry, blueberry as well as discreet hints of eucalyptus, minerality and spices. Tannins are well-built. Good length. There are slight hints of vanilla, toasted oak, chocolate and roasting on the finish. There are a toasted hint / vanilla and an imperceptible touch of crushed fresh hazelnut (in the background) on the persistence.

Score : 15.5/20 (90-91/100)

Herdade de Sao Miguel -Alicante Bouschet 2015 Vinho Regional Alentejano

The nose is aromatic, gourmand, slightly concentrated, slightly powerful and offers elegance. It reveals notes of blackberry, fleshy strawberry, ripe redcurrant and a touch of fresh raspberry combined with touches of racy minerality, garrigue, black olive as well as a hint of cuben pepper and a touch of discreet hints of spices. The palate is fruity, juicy, well-balanced, well-built, precise, very discreetly tight and offers fat, elegance, a beautiful guideline, a good structure, a (very) slight concentration as well as a beautiful and juicy / fresh fruit. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy / fleshy raspberry, cherry and small notes of crushed redcurrants associated with small touches of cassis, hints of olive tree, eucalyptus, toasted hints, caramelization, vanilla

and an imperceptible hint of crushed hazelnut (in the background). Good persistence. There is a hint of tonka bean on the persistence. Score :15.75/20 (91-92/100)

Herdade de Sao Miguel - Reserva 2015 Vinho Regional Alentejano

The nose is mineral. It reveals notes of fleshy red berries, wild blackberry and a touch of cherry combined with hints of strawberry, discreet hints of tonka bean, zan, olive tree as well as an imperceptible touch of sweet spices, vanilla and almond. The mouth is juicy, fruity, well-balanced and offers good definition, suavity, precision, a beautiful structure as well as a good freshness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy / juicy red berries, red cherry and small notes of fleshy blackberry associated with fine touches of strawberry jam, garrigue, racy minerality as well as discreet hints of spices and an imperceptible touch of Cuben pepper (in the background). Tannins are well-built.

Score : 16+/20 (92-93/100)

Herdade de Sao Miguel - 2017 Colheita Seleccionada Vinho Regional Alentejano

(White wine) The nose is fresh and fruity. It reveals notes of fresh lemon and fleshy vine peach combined with hints of exotic fruit, fleshy pear and discreet hints of fresh mandarin. The palate is fruity, juicy, slightly gourmande and offers fat, dynamism, a beautiful acid frame as well as freshness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe / fresh lemon, vine peach, crunchy pineapple and small notes of lemon / lime zest associated with touches of juicy apple, exotic fruits as well as a discreet hint of juicy tangerine and fine toasted hints / vanilla (in the background). Good length. Score : 15.5/20 (90-91/100)

Joao Ramos - Marquês de Borba 2016 Alentejo

The nose is slightly tight and offers a small concentration as well as a fine intensity. It reveals notes of blackberry, cassis and small notes of wild berries, ripe cherry combined with slight / discreet hints of spices, olive, Sichuan pepper / gray pepper, racy minerality and a touch of imperceptible hint of eucalyptus. The palate is fruity, juicy, well-balanced, slightly tight, precise and offers good definition, a fine juicy frame as well as a (very) slight unctuosity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy / crushed blackberry, fleshy cassis and small notes of candied cherry, crushed redcurrants associated with touches of blueberry, sweet spices, olive black / olive tree as well as discreet hints of chocolate, toasted oak and an imperceptible hint of almond. Good length.

Score : 15.25/20 (90/100)

TEJO

Quinta do Arrobe -Mensagem 2015 Vinho Regional Tejo

The nose is fruity, well-structured and offers a fine concentration. It reveals notes of crushed redcurrants, cherry and small notes of raspberries associated with discreet hints of small black berries, laurel, olive treee as well as discreet hints of gray / white pepper. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, (very) slightly tight and offers a good definition, a fine juicy frame, a fine minerality, a good guideline as well as a small dynamism. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy cherry, crushed redcurrants and small notes of blackberry associated with subtle hints of fleshy blueberry, liquorice, toasted oak, almond as well as an imperceptible touch of cedar and olive. Tannins are well-built and (very) slightly chewy. Good length.

Score : $15.25 \pm 20(90-91/100)$

Quinta da Lapa - Reserva 2012 Vinho Regional Tejo

The nose is fruity, concentrated, elegant and offers power. The wine needs to be put in carafe. It reveals notes of blackberry, cassis and small notes of wild strawberry associated with small touches of garrigue, flowers, small toasted touches as well as a very discreet hint of zan and undergrowth. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, mineral, precise, straight, elegant, racy and offers a good definition, a beautiful juicy / acid frame, minerality, a good structure, a beautiful juiciness, freshness as well as a beautiful grain. On the palate this wine expresses notes of cassis, blackberry and small notes of raspberry, ripe red cherry / redcurrants associated with fine touches of garrigue, zan, caramelized oak as well as a discreet hint of Cuben pepper, almond and very discreet

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hints of undergrowth (in the background). Tannins are fine and elegant. Good length. Very discreet chews on the finish. Good persistence. Score : 16.5/20 (93/100)

Quinta da Lapa - Nana 2015 Reserva Vinho Regional Tejo

The nose is elegant, powerful, racy and offers concentration. The wine needs to be put in carafe. It reveals notes of ripe red berries, raspberry and small notes of strawberry associated with fine touches of blackberry, black olive, olive tree / flowers, chocolate as well as very discreet hints of Cuben pepper and spices. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, racy, elegant, (very) slightly tight and offers an acid frame, a good definition, a fine roundness, tension as well as a beautiful juiciness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of redcurrant, wild strawberry and small notes of blackberry associated with touches of cassis, juicy wild berries, hints of racy minerality, olive tree / laurel, sweet spices as well as a very discreet touch of black olive, cuben pepper, chocolate and zan. Tannins are fine and well-built. Good length. Score : 16/20 (92/100

Quinta da Lapa - Tourigal Nacional 2015 Reserva Vinho Regional Tejo

The nose is elegant, racy, slightly powerful and offers generosity. It reveals notes of

cassis, blackberry and small notes of wild berries associated with fine touches of fleshy / crunchy strawberry, black olive, chocolate as well as discreet touches of toasted oak / vanilla. The palate is fruity, juicy, well-balanced, elegant, straight, precise, gourmande, generous and offers a fine suavity, fat, a fine unctuosity as well as a fine acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy blackberry, fleshy cassis and small notes of ripe / juicy redcurrants, scrubland / olive tree, racy minerality as well as hints of flowers, chocolate, toasted / caramelized oak and an imperceptible touch of fresh almond (in the background). Tannins are a bit chewy. Good length. Fine chews on the finish.

Score : 16.5/20 (93/100)

Quinta da Arrobe - Mensagem - 2014 Reserva Vinho Regional Tejo

The nose offers power as well as a small concentration. The wine needs to be put in carafe. It reveals notes of cassis, wild berries and small notes of flowers / olive tree associated with fine hints of wild strawberry, ripe redcurrants, Cuben pepper and discreet hints of spices. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, racy, precise and offers a small juiciness,

a fine straightness, an acid frame, a small fat, a fine suavity, a beautiful minerality, a good structure as well as dynamism. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy blackberry, fleshy wild strawberry and small notes of red berries associated with small touches of garrigue / olive tree, racy minerality as well as a very discreet hint of black olive and a imperceptible hint of eucalyptus. Tannins are well-built. Good length. There is a very discreet hint of chocolate on the persistence. Score: 15.75/20 (91-92/100)

Quinta da Arrobe - Quinto Elemento - Cabernet Sauvignon Reserva 2013

Vinho Regional Tejo

The nose is fruity, well-structured and offers a fine power. It reveals notes of raspberry, ripe redcurrants and small notes of strawberry associated with discreet touches of blackberry, spices, discreet toasted touches and an imperceptible touch of black olive. The palate is fruity, juicy, well-balanced, well-built and offers tension, a small aerial side, suavity, roundness, fat, a small straightness, a very fine unctuosity, a good structure, a fine acid frame as well as a slight minerality. On the palate this wine expresses notes of redcurrants, blackberry, cherry and small notes of cassis, raspberry associated with fine touches of black olive, discreet touches of eucalyptus / laurel (in the background) as well as hints of chocolate and toasted hints. Tannins are fine and very discreetly chewy. Good length and persistence. Score : 15.5/20 (90-91/100)

Quinta da Arrobe - Quinto Elemento -Syrah Řeserva 2013 Vinho Regional Tejo

The nose is fruity, racy and offers power and concentration. It reveals notes of cherry, raspberry and small notes of fleshy berries associated with touches of gray pepper, laurel and spices. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good definition, a fine suavity, a (very) slight unctuosity, a fine tension / straightness, finesse as well as a fine gourmandise. On the palate this wine expresses notes of cherry, fleshy raspberry, crushed redcurrants and small notes of strawberry associated with a discreet touch of olive tree as well as subtle hints of sweet spices (in the background) and an imperceptible toasted hint. Tannins are well-built. There is a very discreet hint of chocolate and an imperceptible touch of coffee on the persistence. Score : 15 ± 20 (89-90/100)

Quinta do Arrobe - Quinto Elemento - Arinto . Chao Calcario 2015 Tejo

(White wine) The nose is fruity, fresh, slightly gourmande and offers a fine complexity. It reveals notes of crushed pear and juicy citrus associated with touches of flowers, vanilla as well as fine touches of mandarin (in the background) and an imperceptible touch of eucalyptus. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, fresh, mineral and

> offers a good definition, a fine suavity, a fine fat as well as a fine acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy lemon, nectarine and pear combined with hints of vanilla, quenette and grapefruit / lemon zest. Good length.

Score: 14.75/20 (88-89/100)

Quinta da Lapa -Reserva 2016 DO Tejo D.O.C.

(White wine) The nose is fruity, fresh, well-balanced and offers a fine intensity, elegance, purity as well as minerality. It reveals notes of ripe lemon, apple and exotic fruits combined with touches of guenette, crushed brugnon and vanilla. The palate is fruity, mineral, fresh, well-balanced, well-built, elegant and offers a beautiful acid frame, a good structure, a fine roundness as well as precision. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon, crushed Brugnon and small notes of pineapple, quenette associated with touches of apple, vanilla, racy minerality as well as an imperceptible touch of fresh apricot and eucalyptus (in the background). Good persistence. Score : 16.5/20 (93/100)

Quinta da Lapa -Nana 2017 Vinho Regional Tejo

(White wine) The nose is fruity, generous and gourmand. It reveals notes of passion fruit, ripe lemon and fresh apple associated with discreet hints of quenette, racy minerality and very discreet hints of eucalyptus (in the background). The palate is fruity, well-balanced, well-defined, gourmande, fat, generous and offers a beautiful acid frame, a beautiful juiciness, a fine suavity / fat as well as a fine tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy lemon, juicy tangerine and small notes of passion fruit associated with hints of pineapple, lemon and a discreet hint of fresh apricot. Good length. Score: 16.25/20 (92-93/100)

<mark>Quinta da Lapa -Nana 2017</mark> Vinho Regional Tejo

(Rosé wine) The nose is fruity, gourmand and elegant. It reveals notes of fresh raspberry, fresh apple and small notes of brugnon associated with discreet hints of fresh redcurrants and very discreet touches of flowers. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, gourmande and offers a good definition, a fine acid frame, tension, roundness, a fine suavity as well as elegance. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy redcurrants, fresh wild raspberry and small notes of crushed pear combined with touches of brugnon, pineapple as well as a very discreet hint of citrus and juicy cherry. Good length.

Score: 15.75/20 (91-92/100)



South Africa

Balance - 2017 Pinotage Reserve W.O. Western Cape, South Africa

The nose is fruity, fresh and well-built. It reveals notes of cassis, plum and small notes of blackberry associated with fine touches of red berries, thyme as well as discreet hints of rosemary and very discreet toasted hints. The palate is fruity, juicy, well-balanced and offers a good definition, a good structure, a fine straightness, suavity, dynamism, a fine juicy frame, a (very) slight freshness as well as a small fat. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy blackberry, fleshy plum and small notes of fleshy strawberry associated with touches of fleshy red cherry as well as hints of juicy / acidulous redcurrant and discreet toasted hints. Tannins are fine, supple and well-integrated. Good persistence.

Score : 16+/20 (92-93/100)

Survivor - 2016 Pinotage

W.O. Western Cape, Swartland, South Africa

The nose is aromatic and offers a small freshness. It reveals notes of vanilla, plum and small notes of strawberry, crushed raspberry associated with small touches of chocolate and an imperceptible touch of garrigue / rosemary (in the background). The palate is juicy, fruity, well-balanced and offers a beautiful acidulous frame, tension, a small straightness, suavity as well as fat. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe redcurrant, plum and small notes of associated with small hints of tonka bean, vanilla as well as discreet toasted hints. Tannins are fine and (very) slightly firm. Score: $15.5 \pm / 20 (91/100)$

Perdeberg Cellard - The Dry Land Collection -Joseph's Legacy 2014

W.O. Coastal Region, South Africa

The nose is fruity, a bit gourmand and offers a small concentration. It reveal notes of crushed cassis, crushed boysenberry and small notes of wild strawberry combined with hints of gray pepper, vanilla and discreet hints of garrigue / laurel. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, suave and offers good definition, a fine acid frame, tension, fat as well as a fine freshness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed blackberry and crushed raspberry associated with small touches of cassis, redcurrant as well as hints of chocolate, toasted hints and an imperceptible hint of vanilla. Tannins are well-built. Score : 15.25/20 (90/100)

One Formation - Shiraz / Grenach / Viognier 2015

South Africa

The nose is aromatic and offers richness, a small concentration as well as a (very) slight creaminess. It reveals notes of crushed blackberry and crushed strawberry associated with touches of wild berries, chocolate, toasted touches as well as a very discreet hint of almond and Sichuan pepper. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, slightly acidulous and offers juiciness, suavity, a beautifull acid frame, a small tension, a good structure, a fine freshness as well as a fine minerality. On the palate this wine expresses notes of cassis, juicy boysenberry and small notes of fleshy / juicy redcurrants combined with slight hints of juicy strawberry, cherry, chocolate, slight toasted hint and very discreet hints of vanilla and almond. Tannins are a bit firm. Score : 15.5/20 (90-91/100)

Balance - 2017 Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot

W.O. Western Cape, South Africa

The nose is aromatic and offers a small freshness. It reveals notes of red berries, blackberries and small notes of ripe bell pepper associated with slight hints of cassis and gray pepper. The palate is fruity, juicy, (very) slightly tight, a bit gourmand and offers a beautiful definition, a fine unctuosity, suavity as well as straightness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy blackberry, juicy strawberry and small notes of raspberry associated with slight touches of cassis, juicy wild berries as well as small hints of vanilla, bulb, discreet hints of spices and tonka bean. Tannins are slightly firm. Score : 16/20 (92/100)

Survivor - Cabernet Sauvignon 2016 Swartland, South Africa

The nose is fruity and offers power as well as a fine concentration. It reveals notes of vanilla, blackberry and crushed wild cassis combined with hints of wild strawberry and touches of Sichuan pepper, spice, toasted touches, tonka bean as well as a very discreet hint of garrigue. The palate is juicy, fruity, well-balanced, suave and offers a good definition, a (very) slight unctuosity, a fine acid frame as well as gourmandise. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed blackberry, fleshy strawberry and small notes of cassis associated with fine touches of raspberry, flowers as well as discreet toasted hints, sweet spices, gray pepper and a very discreet hint of garrigue. Tannins are a bit firm. Score: $16/20 \ (92/100)$

Survivor - Chenin Blanc 2017 Swartland, South Africa

The nose is fruity. It reveals notes of nectarine, pear and small notes of litchi, quince associated with fine touches of citrus and hints of flowers. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, a bit gourmand and offers a good definition, a fine unctuosity as well as a fine acidulous / juicy frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of lychee, quince and small notes of crushed pear associated with slight hints of vine peach and juicy mandarin. Good length. Score : 15.75 + /20 (91-92/100)

Perdeberg Cellard - The Dry Land Collection -Courageous 201 Paarl, South Africa

The nose offers concentration and a small freshness. It reveals notes of quince, nutmeg and small notes of acacia flowers associated with hints of nectarine as well as slight hints of racy minerality and citrus. The palate is fine, round and offers a small unctuosity, a beautiful acidulous / juicy frame, fat, a fine tension, freshness as well as a good definition. On the palate this wine expresses notes of quince, lychee and small notes of juicy citrus (mandarin ...) associated with hints of crunchy pineapple, juicy mirabelle plum as well as discreet toasted hints (in the background), a very discreet hint of vanilla (in the background) and an imperceptible hint of flowers. Score : 16/20 (92/100)

One Formation - Chenin Blanc / Sauvignon Blanc / Grenache Blanc 2017 W.O. Coastal Region, South Africa

The nose is aromatic and offers minerality as well as concentration. It reveals notes of lychee, citrus and small notes of flowers / bulb associated with small notes of exotic fruits, brugnon and minerality. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, suave and offers a good minerality, roundness, a (very) slight acidulous frame, finesse, a good structure as well as a (very) slight straightness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of litchi, juicy citrus and small notes of quince associated with small touches of ripe / crushed nectarine and exotic fruits (passion fruit, quenette ...). Good length. Score : 16+/20 (92-93/100)

Lion's Kop - Merlot 2011 - Ricome - Stellenbosch South Africa

The nose is aromatic and offers power as well as a small freshness. It reveals notes of blackberry, crushed cassis, sour cherry and hints of liquorice associated with slight touches of spices, cardamom, touches of oak / caramelization as well as a very discreet hint of pepper (in the background), salinity and boxwood (in the background). The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a fine juiciness, a small richness, a fine acid frame, minerality, a small straightness, a small fat / roundness, a good structure, power (well-controlled) as well as a small tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed cassis and crushed cassis combined with small notes of red fruits, ripe wild strawberries as well as touches of liquorice, toasted oak, vanilla and a hint of tonka bean. Good persistence. There is a subtle hint og cigar on the finish. Score : 16/20 (92/100)

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Di Sipio 2015

Montepulciano d'Abruzzo

The nose is fruity and offers a fine juiciness and a fine minerality. It reveals notes of ripe cassis, black cherry, and small notes of ripe/juicy red berries associated with discreet touches of sweet spices as well as a subtle hint of gray pepper, black olive and chocolate. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, beautifuly juicy, delicate and offers a beautiful suavity, fat, a beautiful precision, a beautiful fresh frame, a fine acidity, a good guideline / dynamism as well as a nice grain finesse. On the palate this wine expresses notes of black fleshy / juicy, crushed cassis and small notes of wild strawberry, juicy / ripe red berries associated with small / discreet touches of black olive, violet, sweet spices, nutmeg, caramelized oak, chocolate as well as an imperceptible touch of rosemary (in the background). Tannins are fine, elegant and (very) slightly chewy. Good length. Score : 16+/20 (92-93/100)

Di Sipio - 2012 Riserva Montepulciano d'Abruzzo

The nose is fruity, elegant and offers a fine richness / intensity, a beautiful maturity as well as a certain complexity. The wine needs to be put in carafe. It reveals notes of blackberry, ripe wild strawberry, wild raspberry and small ripe black berries associated with hints of garrigue, olive, subtle hints of chocolate, undergrowth as well as a touch of very discreet hint of white pepper and a discreet hint of mushroom. The palate is fruity, juicy, well-balanced, elegant and offers a beautiful definition, a beautiful mineral frame, a beautiful structure, a fine straightness, a beautiful freshness, richness, dynamism, a fine unctuosity as well as a beautiful precision. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy blackberry, fleshy wild strawberry, fleshy Bigarreau cherry and small notes of small ripe wild red berries associated with touches of flowers (violet, rose), garrigue (rosemary, thyme, olive) as well as discreet touches of spices, undergrowth and a very discreet hint of tonka bean on the finish / persistence. Tannins are fine and structuring. Good length. Gourmandise on the finish / persistence. Beautiful persistence. Score : 17/20 (94/100)

Feuduccio Santa Maria D'Orni - Ursonia 2013

Montepulciano d'Abruzzo

The nose is aromatic and offers power as well as a small incisive side. It reveals notes of wild black berries, wild raspberry and a touch of gray pepper combined with touches of black cherry, fine touches of flowers as well as hints of black olive, dark chocolate, caramelized aok and a very discreet hint of undergrowth. The mouth is fresh, fruity, juicy, fleshy, well-balanced, racy and offers a good guideline / dynamism, a small tension, an acid frame, a good structure, a beautiful minerality, a small fat as well as a beautiful finesse of the grain. On the palate this wine expresses notes of black cherry, wild black berries and small notes of ripe red berries associated with touches of flowers, tonka bean, spices and a very discreet hint of undergrowth. Tannins are fine, well built and (very) slightly firm. Good length. Score: 16.25/20 (92-93/100)

Tenuta I Fauri - Ottobre Rosso 2016 Montepulciano d'Abruzzo

The nose is fruity, well-built and offers a fine depthness as well as gourmandise. The wine needs to be in carafe. It reveals notes of wild strawberries, wild berries and ripe black berries combined with discreet hints of blackberry, cassis, chocolate, sweet spices, Sichuan pepper and a very discreet hint of garrigue as well as an imperceptible hint of flowers / thyme. The palate is fruity, juicy, well-balanced and offers a good definition, freshness, a fine acid frame, a small freshness, a beautiful suavity / softness, tension as well as a slightly tight grain. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe wild strawberry, ripe / wild red berries and small touches of Bigarreau cherry, ripe / fleshy black berries combined with hints of olive, sweet spices, toasted hints, chocolate as well as a very discreet hint of flowers and garrigue. Tannins are fine and well built. Good length. Score : 15.75/20 (91-92/100)

Vini di Bosco - Pan 2013 Riserva Montepulciano d'Abruzzo

The nose is fruity, fleshy, gourmand and offers a fine concentration. It reveals notes of blackberry, ripe wild berries and small notes of crushed strawberry, garrigue

combined with small / fine touches of racy minerality, spices and subtle toasted touches, vanilla and chocolate. The palate is fruity, fleshy, gourmande, precise, well-structured and offers a beautiful freshness, concentration, a small power as well as a small tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed blackberry, fleshy / crusged wild strawberry and small notes of crushed redcurrants combined with small touches of garrigue (rosemary, olive tree, grove) as well as a discreet touch of black olive, spices (vanilla, chocolate, a hint of nutmeg) and chocolate. Tannins are fine and (very) slightly dry. Score : $15.5 \pm /20 (91/100)$

Bosco Nestore - 2014 Riserva Montepulciano d'Abruzzo

The nose is fruity and (very) slightly powerful. It reveals notes of red cherry, wild raspberry and berries associated with hints of plum, violet as well as subtle / discreet hints of chocolate, garrigue, spice and nutmeg. The palate is fresh (good freshness), fruity, juicy, well-balanced and offers a good definition, a fine acid frame, minerality and tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy blackberry, fleshy wild strawberry and small notes of wild berries associated with discreet touches of cherry, garrigue, sweet spices as well as a subtle touch of Cuben pepper (in the background), vanilla and spices (nutmeg ...). Tannins are (very) slightly chewy. There is a hint of chocolate on the finish / persistence. Score : 15.25/20 (90/100)

Collefrisio - Confronto 2014 Vino Rosso

The nose is fruity. It reveals notes of small wild red berries, blackberries, elderberries and garrigue combined with small notes of ripe cherry as well as a subtle hint of gray / Cuben pepper, minerality and an imperceptible touch of flowers (in the background). The mouth is fruity, juicy, fleshy, a bit gourmand and offers fat, a beautiful acid frame, a fine freshness as well as a good guideline. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy redcurrants, red cherries and small notes of cassis associated with small / fine touches of racy minerality, garrigue (olive tree, rosemary ...) as well as a very discreet hint of black olive and discreet touches of sweet spices. Tannins are fine and slightly firm. Score : 15.25/20 (90/100)

Collefrisio - Semis 2011

Montepulciano d'Abruzzo

The nose is aromatic, slightly gourmand, slightly powerful and offers concentration. It reveals notes of ripe / crushed red berries and crushed cassis combined with small notes of elderberries, wild strawberries and small touches of scrubland (thyme, olive tree ...), racy minerality, a subtle hint of Cuben pepper, sweet spices / spices as well as a very discreet hint of dry local forest soil. The palate is fruity, fresh, well-balanced and offers elegance, concentration, fat, gourmandise as well as a beautiful definition. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed blackberry, wild red berries and small notes of cherry, wild strawberry associated with small touches of garrigue, crushed cassis, sweet spices (vanilla, nutmeg), olive as well as discreet hints of chocolate and an imperceptible hint of dry local forest soil. Tannins are fine and well-built. Good length.

Score : 16/20(92/100)

Collefrisio - Vignaquadra 2013 Montepulciano d'Abruzzo

The nose is aromatic, racy and offers intensity as well as concentration. It reveals notes of wild strawberry, wild berries and grove associated with small notes of small black fruits / cherries, garrigue / flowers, black pepper as well as discreet touches of sweet spices (vanilla ...), discreet toasted touches and an imperceptible hint of licorice. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, racy and offers a beautiful juiciness, suavity, gourmandise, a fine straightness, a very fine unctuosity, a beautiful definition as well as tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy wild strawberry, fleshy blackberry and small notes of cherry, wild red berries associated with fine touches of garrigue, black olive, sweet spices, chocolate, licorice as well as discreet hints of flowers (in the background) and an imperceptible hint of dry local forest soil. Tannins are well-built. Good length and good persistence. Score : 15.75/20 (91-92/100)

Cantina Villamagna 2015

Villamagna DOC

The nose is aromatic, fruity and offers gourmandise. It reveals notes of blackberry,

fresh strawberry and small notes of fresh raspberry combined with small / slight touches of crushed black fruits, toasted bread, spices, toasted touches as well as a discreet hint of garrigue, flowers, minerality and gray pepper. The mouth is fruity, well-balanced, well-built and offers a good definition, a beautiful suavity, a beautiful acid frame, gourmandise, a fine unctuosity, a fine tension, a racy minerality, a good freshness, a fine straightness as well as a good structure. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy / crushed blackberry, juicy wild raspberry and small notes of juicy red berries associated with subtle hints of cherry, black cherry, subtle touches of olive, olive tree, racy minerality, discreet hints of sweet spices (in the background) as well as an imperceptible touch of nutmeg, coffee and hazelnut. Tannins are fine and slightly firm. Good length. There are a discreet hint of cocoa powder and an imperceptible touch of vanilla on the finish (brings gourmandise). Score : 15.25+/20 (90-91/100)

Tilli - Lupus 2016

Montepulciano D'Abruzzo

The nose is aromatic and offers a fine concentration. It reveals notes of cassis, redcurrant and fresh / fleshy red fruit combined with touches of minerality, fresh cherry, blackberry as well as very discreet hints of sweet spices, licorice and imperceptible hint of olive. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, gourmande, fleshy, a bit tight, beautifully built and offers a beautiful definition, finesse, precision, a beautiful juciness of the fruit, suavity, a mineral frame, a fine tension as well as a fine unctuosity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of cherry, fleshy raspberry / blackberry and small notes of crushed redcurrants, ripe / crushed cassis associated with a touch of ripe black cherry, sweet spices, vanilla, chocolate, discreet touches of caramelized oak as well as an imperceptible touch of flowers and olive. Tannins are fine, elegant, well built and supple. Good persistence. Suavity and presence of a very discreet toasted hint on the persistence. Score : 16.25/20 (92-93/100)

Cantina Tollo - 2013 Riserva Montepulciano D'Abruzzo

The nose is aromatic and a bit powerful. The wine needs to be put in carafe. It reveals notes of crushed Bigarreau cherry, blackberry and ripe/crushed redcurrants combined with discreet touches of sage / olive tree, black olive, spices, discreet toasted touches and an imperceptible hint of rosemary. The mouth is fresh, fruity, well-balanced, slightly gournande and offers a beautiful definition, fat, suavity, a mineral frame, a fine acidity as well as a small juiciness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy blackberry, fleshy Bigarreau cherry and small notes of fleshy wild strawberry combined with touches of ripe redcurrants, cassis, a subtle hint of zan, sweet spices, almond, a subtle toasted hint as well as a discreet hint olive / olive tree and undergrowth. Tannins are well-built and structuring. Good length. There is a very discreet hint of chocolate / coffee on the finish / persistence. Score : $15.5 \pm /20 (91/100)$

Contesa - Vigna Corvino 2017 Montepulciono D'Abruzzo

Montepulciano D'Abruzzo

The nose is fruity. It reveals notes of wild raspberry, redcurrant and small notes of ripe blackberry combined with discreet touches of olive tree, grove, cherry and very discreet touches of sweet spices. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good definition, a fine acid frame, a fine juiciness, straightness, tension as well as precision. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe redcurrants, cherry and small notes of wild raspberry associated with small touches of juicy red fruits, blackberry as well as hints of sweet spices, toasted hints, almond, cocoa, racy minerality and an imperceptible hint of olive (in the background). Tannins are fine and a bit chewy. Good length. Score : 15 + / 20 (89-90/100)

Score : 15+/ 20 (89-90/100

Poderi Costantini 2014

Montepulciano D'Abruzzo

The nose is aromatic, fruity and offers a fine generosity. The wine needs to be put in carafe. It reveals notes of blackberry, fleshy wild strawberry and small notes of fleshy / juicy redcurrant combined with a hint of cherry, cooked cassis, fine touches of spices, toasted oak as well as very discreet hints of laurel / olive, racy minerality and dried black olives. The palate is fresh, well-balanced, well-structured and offers suavity, fat, a good definition, an acid frame as well as straightness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy blackberry, fleshy wild strawberry and small notes of cassis, cherry, juicy wild raspberry combined with touches of toasted oak, chocolate / cocoa, sweet spices as well as an imperceptible touch of racy minerality and grove. Tannins are structuring and a bit firm. Good length. The finish is slightly powerful. Score: 15.25+/20 (90-91/100)

Cantina Frentana - Rubesto 2014 Riserva Montepulciano D'Abruzzo

The nose is a bit discreet and a bit tight. It needs to be put in carafe. It reveals notes of blackberry, gray pepper, cherry and small notes of redcurrants associated with discreet touches of sweet spices and undergrowth. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, suave, round and offers a good definition as well as a beautiful acid / juicy frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of cherry, fleshy redcurrants and fleshy blackberry associated with touches of black cherry, juicy Quetsche plum as well as slight / discreet toasted touches, sweet spices, chocolate, toasted almond, vanilla and dried black olive. Tannins are very discreetly firm. Good length. Score : $15 \pm /20$ (89-90/100)

Cantina Frentana - Panarda 2013 Riserva Montepulciano D'Abruzzo

The nose is aromatic and offers power as well as a fine concentration. It reveals notes of wild berries, tonka beans, crushed/ripe redcurrant and Bigarreau cherries combined with small notes of blackberry, strawberry as well as discreet touches of sweet spices and a subtle hint of Timut pepper. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, racy, precise, elegant and offers a beautiful minerality (mineral frame), a beautiful definition, a small suavity, roundness, harmony, a beautiful freshness, a small airy side as well as a beautiful and (very) slightly tight grain. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy blackberry, ripe crushed redcurrant and small notes of cherry associated with slight touches of tonka bean / chocolate, caramelized oak, caramelized almond, a very discreet hint of olive / garrigue, Timut pepper as well as very discreet hints of sweet spices and vanilla. Tannins are fine and well-built. There are hints of dark chocolate / cocoa and toasted hints on the persistence (bring gourmandise). Beautiful and complex aromatic persistence (cocoa, ripe / juicy fruit, toasted, almond, undergrowth ...). Score : 17+/20 (94-95/100)

Cantina Tollo - Cagiòlo 2012 Riserva -Montepulciano D'Abruzzo

The nose is aromatic, elegant and offers a fine richness. It reveals notes of blackberry, ripe wild strawberry and small ripe wild berries associated with touches of spices, gray pepper as well as touches of fleshy raspberry, sweet spices and caramelized/toasted oak, chocolate, cooked cassis and a very discreet hint of black olive / garrigue. The palate is juicy, fresh (good freshness), mineral, well-balanced, precise, elegant and offers a good definition, power, a good structure as well as a beautiful finesse of the grain. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy blackberry, fleshy wild strawberry and small notes of fleshy wild raspberry, ripe / juicy redcurrant combined with small / slight touches of toasted oak, caramelization, chocolate, vanilla as well as a very discreet hint of Timut pepper, black olive, garrigue and undergrowth / truffle. Tannins are well-built and (very) slightly firm. Score : 15.75/20 (91-92/100)

Costantini - Tornese 2010

Montepulciano D'Abruzzo

The nose reveals notes of blackberry, fleshy strawberry and small notes of crushed redcurrants combined with subtle hints of raspberry as well as a discreet hint of balsamic and garrigue. The wine needs to be put in carafe. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, mineral (racy minerality) and offers a fine fresh frame, suavity, good structure, finesse as well as a fine juiciness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy / juicy raspberry and fleshy / juicy redcurrant combined with subtle touches of toasted oak, spices, tonka bean, undergrowth, dried black olive as well as imperceptible hint of toasted almond / hazelnut. Tannins are fine and well-built. Good length.

Score: 15.25+/20 (90-91/100)

Colle Corviano 2016 Montepulciano D'Abruzzo

The nose is fruity, a bit gourmand and offers concentration, power as well as a good maturity. It reveals notes of black cherry, ripe red berries, blueberry and small notes of fleshy strawberry associated with a touch of cassis, licorice as well as discrete hints of flowers, black olive and an imperceptible hint of spices / Cuben pepper. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good definition, a small

acid frame, tension, a fine unctuosity, minerality, straightness, suavity, roundness, fleshiness as well as a very fine juiciness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of black cherry, fleshy cassis, juicy raspberry and touches of juicy/ripe red berries, juicy blueberry associated with subtle hints of juicy plum, liquorice, black olive as well as a very discreet touch of spices, chocolate (in the background) and an imperceptible touch of blond tobacco (in the background). Tannins are well-built. Good length.

Score: 14.75+/20 (89/100)

Ca' d'Abruzzo 2017 Termo di Chiati Paga

Terre di Chieti Rosso

The nose is fruity and slightly powerful. It reveals notes of cassis and small wild berries associated with small notes of gray pepper, blue fruits, small toasted notes and discreet hints of rosemary. The palate is fruity, juicy and offers an acid frame and a small minerality (almost saline). On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy redcurrants, wild raspberry and small notes of juicy red berries associated with slight touches of blue fruits and spices. Tannins are well-built. Good length. Score : 14.5/20 (88/100)

Il Lauri - Le Pinciaie 2015 Montepulciano d'Abruzzo

The nose is aromatic, concentrated and offers a small richness. It reveals notes of vanilla, caramelized / toasted oak, fleshy blackberry and small notes of crushed strawberry associated with fine touches of blueberry as well as a very discreet hint of spices. The palate is fruity, juicy, mineral, well-balanced and offers a good definition, a small tension as well as a mineral frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of cassis, wild berries and small notes of cherry associated with fine touches of racy minerality, olive as well as slight hints of spices and oak. Tannins are well-built, a bit firm and very slightly tight. Good length. There is a subtle hint of cocoa bitterness on the persistence.

Score : 14.75+/20 (89/100)

Tenuta Querce Grosse - Escol 2012, Riserva Montepulciano d'Abruzzo

The nose is aromatic, elegant, well-built, racy and offers a small power. It reveals notes of wild blackberries, crushed berries and small notes of crushed blueberry, crushed red berries combined with small touches of vanilla, Sichuan pepper, truffle / undergrowth as well as discreet hints of garrigue and spices. The palate is fruity, juicy, mineral, elegant, silky and offers a beautiful finesse, a beautiful grain, suavity, a beautiful definition, depthness and harmony. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy / juicy blackberry, fleshy / juicy red berries and small touches of cassis, cherry, small wild berries associated with discreet hints of garrigue, black olive, undergrowth/truffle as well as a very discreet touch of chocolate and caramelization. Tannins are fine, tight and (very) slightly powdery. Good length and good persistence.

Score : 16.5/20 (93/100)

Talamonti - Tres Saggi2015

Montepulciano d'Abruzzo

The nose is fruity, aromatic and offers a small concentration. It reveals notes of blueberry and cherry associated with small notes of fleshy strawberry, black olive, blackberry as well as discreet hints of olive tree and chocolate. The palate is fruity, juicy, well-balanced, (very) discreetly tight and offers juiciness, gourmandise, a fine acid frame, a good structure as well as a beautiful and precise fruit. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy blackberry, crushed raspberry and small notes of crushed redcurrant associated with small touches of chocolate, caramelization and discreet hints of garrigue. Tannins are fine and structuring. Good persistence (with hints of tonka bean and caramelization). Score : 15.5/20 (90-91/100)

Cantina Colle Moro 2017

Montepulciano d'Abruzzo

The nose is aromatic, powerful and offers concentration. It reveals notes of cassis, elderberry and small notes of small wild fruits associated with small touches of crushed raspberry, gray pepper, garrigue and a very discreet hint of vanilla. The palate is fruity, suave, tight, slightly unctuous and offers a fine acid frame, a slight racy minerality, fat, precision as well as a slight freshness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of blackberry and blueberry associated with small notes of crushed raspberry, small red berries, slight toasted hints as well as a discreet hint

of rosemary and zan. Tannins are well-built. Good length. Score : 14.75 + /20 (89/100)

San Lorenzo - Casabianca 2016 Montepulciano d'Abruzzo

The nose is fruity and slightly gourmand. It reveals notes of fleshy blueberry, crushed strawberry and small toasted notes / vanilla associated with hints of olive tree / laurel, graphite, gray pepper as well as a very discreet hint of caramelization. The palate is fruity, juicy, suave and offers elegance, a fine acid / juicy frame, tension, juiciness as well as a fine straightness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy cassis, blueberry and small notes of cherry associated with slight hints of red fruits, chocolate, slight toasted hints as well as subtle hints of sweet spices. Tannins are slightly dry. Good length.

Score : 15+/20 (89-90/100)

Cà d'Abruzzo 2016 Montepulciano d'Abruzzo

The nose is aromatic and offers a small richness as well as a fine concentration. It reveals notes of fleshy blackberry, crushed raspberry and small notes of ripe redcurrants combined with discreet hints of flowers, slight hints of spices and a discreet hint of Cuben pepper. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, mineral and offers good definition, a small freshness, roundness as well as an acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed raspberry and crushed/fleshy redcurrant combined with slight touches of flowers, local vegetation and a discreet hint of licorice. Tannins are well-built.

Score : 15+/20 (89-90/100)

Ciavolich - Divus 2015 Montepulaiano d'Abru

Montepulciano d'Abruzzo

The nose is fruity, slightly powerful and offers a good structure. It reveals notes of wild blackberry, wild strawberry and a touch of blueberry combined with touches of vanilla, olive as well as a discreet hint of garrigue and a very discreet hint of Cuben pepper. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, well-built, slightly gournand and offers a good definition, a fine juicy / acid frame, a small minerality, suavity, freshness as well as a very slightly tight grain. On the palate this wine expresses notes of wild strawberry, wild blackberry and small notes of small berries associated with fine touches of olive, garrigue, zan, vanilla as well as an imperceptible hint of tobacco. Tannins are (very) slightly firm.

Score : 15.5 + 20 (91/100)

Il Lauri - Bajo 2017

Montepulciano d'Abruzzo

The nose is aromatic, slightly gourmand and offers a very fine richness. It reveals notes of wild berries and flowers associated with slight touches of fleshy wild raspberry, Cuben pepper as well as a very discreet hint of flowers, vanilla and a very discreet toasted hint. The mouth is juicy, fruity, well-balanced, gourmande and offers a beautiful acidulous frame, precision, a fine tension, suavity as well as a small elegance. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy blueberry and raspberry associated with small notes of redcurrant, crushed blackberry as well as hints of vanilla and a very discreet hint of flowers. Tannins are fine and elegant. Score : $15.75 \pm /20 (91-92/100)$

Ciavolich - Antrum 2012 Montepulciano d'Abruzzo

The nose is aromatic and offers a fine concentration as well as a small richness. It reveals notes of blackberry, vanilla and small notes of crushed raspberry associated with touches of cassis, Timut pepper, flowers as well as slight hints of sweet spices. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, (very) slightly tight, a bit gourmand and offers a good definition, a fine acid frame, a small fat, suavity, a sall tension, a small straightness as well as a fine juiciness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of blueberry, cassis and small notes of blackberry, jammy raspberry associated with touches of caramelization, vanilla as well as slight / discreet hints of tonka bean, olive tree and an imperceptible hint of chocolate. Tannins are fine and a bit firm. Good length. There are a discreet hint of tonka bean, nutmeg and a discreet hint of tobacco on the persistence.

Score : 16/20(92/100)

Colle Moro - Alcàde 2013 Montepulciano d'Abruzzo

The nose is fruity and offerss a (very) slight intensity. It reveals notes of crushed blackberry, strawberry Gariguette and small red currants associated with small hints of gray pepper, flowers and a (very) slight hint of vanilla. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, suave and offers a beautiful acid frame, juiciness, suppleness, a good guideline as well as a slight straightness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of blackberry, redcurrant and small notes juicy raspberry associated with slight touches of violet, olive as well as discreet hints of vanilla and spices. Tannins are fine and (very) slightly dry. Good length. Score : 15/20 (89-90/100)

Olivastri Tommaso - La Carrata 2012 Montepulciano d'Abruzzo

The nose is fruity, powerful, elegant and offers concentration. It reveals notes of ripe/cooked cassis and cooked redcurrant combined with small notes of wild strawberry, Sichuan pepper, violets as well as slight hints of spices and a, imperceptible toasted hint. The mouth is fruity, suave, soft, silky, elegant, (very) slightly tight and offers delicacy, fat, a good volume, fleshiness, a beautiful definition, a fine richness as well as a beautiful harmony. On the palate this wine expresses notes of blackberry, cooked cassis and small notes of cooked redcurrants combined with small notes of strawberry, olive, garrigue as well as discreet hints of Sichuan pepper and sweet spices. Tannins are fine, elegant and (very) slightly chewy. Good length and good persistence. There is a very discreet hint of chocolate (in the background) on the persistence. A beautiful wine ! Score : 16.5+/20 (93-94/100)

Tenuta Arabona - Terra Cruda 2011 Montepulciano d'Abruzzo

The nose is fruity and offers a small power, a fine richness as well as a fine concentration. It reveals notes of cassis, blackberry and small notes of wild raspberry associated with slight hints of laurel / garrigue as well as discreet hints of gray pepper and a hint of tobacco. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good definition, a fine juiciness, a fine suavity, a beautiful precision as well as finesse. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy blackberry, juicy blueberry and crushed raspberry combined with small / slight touches of cherry, laurel / black olive as well as a discreet hint of garrigue, tobacco / tea and spices. Tannins are well-built and (very) slightly firm. Good length. There is a very discreet hint of almond on the finish. There is an imperceptible touch of vanilla on the persistence. Fine chews on the persistence.

Score : 16.25/20 (92-93/100)

Fattoria Nicodemi - Notari 2015

Montepulciano d'Abruzzo

The nose is fruity, fresh and offers a slight straightness / concentration. It reveals notes of blackberry, wild berries and small notes of vanilla, garrigue / grove associated with slight hints of Sichuan pepper, sweet spices and a discreet hint of racy minerality. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, suave, gourmande, precise,"clean" and offers a small fleshiness, a small unctuosity as well as a beautiful precision. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy blackberry, fleshy raspberry and small notes of crushed cherry associated with small hints of fleshy redcurrants, vanilla, chocolate as well as discreet hints of almond and caramelization. Tannins are fine, a bit firm and (very) slightly dry. Good length. There are touches of dark chocolate on the persistence.

Score : 15.75/20 (91-92/100)

San Lorenzo - Antàres 2015

Montepulciano d'Abruzzo

The nose is powerful, fine, fruity and offers concentration. It reveals notes of blackberry, Sichuan pepper and small notes of blueberry associated with touches of crunchy strawberry, Sichuan pepper as well as discreet toasted hints / vanilla and an imperceptible hint of almond. The palate is fruity, juicy, beautifuly gourmande, fleshy, well-balanced, (very) slightly tight and offers a fine mineral frame, precision as well as a beautiful, fleshy and precise fruit. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy raspberry, fleshy cherry and small notes of blackberry associated with fine touches of flowers, olive, a very discreet hint of zan as well as an imperceptible hint of almond and dark chocolate. Tannins are fine and a bit dry. Good length.

Menicucci - Ginesia 2016 Montepulciano d'Abruzzo

The nose is fruity, elegant, precise and offers a fine intensity. It reveals notes of crushed blueberry and crushed wild red berries associated with small notes of garrigue and a discreet hint of spices. The palate is fruity, suave, well-balanced, precise,"clean", airy, (very) slightly tight, silky and offers a beautiful definition, gourmandise, delicacy, roundness, a beautiful finesse as well as a small suavity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed raspberry, wild redcurrants and small notes of blueberry, cherry associated with touches of olive, liquorice as well as hints of spices, Ceylon tea and a hint of sweet blond tobacco. Tannins are well-built. Good length. Fine chews on the finish. There are slight hints of chocolate on the finish.

Score : 16.5+/20 (93-94/100)

Fattoria Nicodemi - Neromoro 2014, Riserva Montepulciano d'Abruzzo

The nose is aromatic. It reveals notes of nutmeg, garrigue and fine hints of undergrowth combined with touches of fleshy wild strawberry, blackberry as well as a discreet hint of Sichuan pepper. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, fleshy, suave, slightly tight, a small gourmandise and offers a fine juiciness, a mineral frame as well as a fine unctuosity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of wild strawberry, red cherry and small notes of crushed redcurrants combined with touches of blackberry, cassis as well as slight hints of liquorice / zan and a discreet hint of tobacco. Good length. There are a hint of tonka bean, a discreet hint of coffee and an imperceptible touch of almond on the persistence. Score : 15.75/20 (91-92/100)

Cantina Colle Moro - Mila 2014 Montepulciano d'Abruzzo

The nose is fruity, a bit tight as well as a bit closed. It reveals notes of wild berries, gray pepper, raspberry and small notes of blueberry associated with hints of zan, olive and toasted hints. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, suave, precise and offers juiciness, a fine unctuosity, a fine acid frame, elegance as well as a good definition. On the palate this wine expresses notes of blackberry, crushed redcurrants, cherry and small notes of raspberry associated with fine touches of zan, olive as well as discreet hints of caramelization, vanilla and coffee. Tannins are fine and elegant. Good persistence.

Score : 15.5+/20 (91/100)

Menicucci - Alzavola 2015 Montepulciano d'Abruzzo

The nose is aromatic, gourmand, precise, well-built and elegant. It reveals notes of raspberries, fleshy strawberry and small notes of blackberries combined with touches of plum, flowers as well as slight hints of racy minerality and olive. The palate is fruity, juicy, elegant, precise, fine, clean, (very) slightly tight and offers tension, a beautiful definition, a beautiful finesse as well as a fine fleshiness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy raspberry, fleshy strawberry and small notes of fleshy plum associated with small touches of blueberry, flowers as well as discreet hints of licorice (in the background). Tannins are fine and very slightly chewy. Good length. There is an imperceptible toasted hint on the persistence. A beautiful, a bit fleshy and fruit focused wine.

Score : $16.25 \pm 20(93/100)$

Talamonti - Moda' 2017 Montepulciano d'Abruzzo

The nose is fruity and offers a small minerality as well as a fine concentration. It reveals notes of blackberry, wild raspberry and small hints of berries / blue fruits combined with fine touches of gray pepper, racy minerality as well as a very discreet hint of grove. The palate is fruity, juicy, well-balanced and offers a good definition, a fine acidulous / juicy frame, a small tension, a (very) slight freshness, minerality, a fine suavity as well as a small airy side. On the palate this wine expresses notes of blackberry, juicy raspberry and small notes of cherry associated with fine touches of zan, black olive and racy minerality. Score : 15.25/20(90/100)

D'Alesio 2013

Montepulciano d'Abruzzo

The nose is aromatic, slightly powerful and offers elegance and a fine complexity. The wine needs to be put in carafe. It reveals notes of blackberry, undergrowth and

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small notes of wild strawberry, minerality associated with slight hints of Sichuan pepper, crushed cassis, spices as well as an imperceptible hint of flowers. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, precise, suave and offers a good definition, a fine juicy / acidulous frame, elegance, a fine freshness (in the background) as well as a small fat. On the palate this wine expresses notes of blackberry, crushed cassis and small notes of crushed raspberry combined with small touches of wild strawberry as well as slight / discreet hints of olive, racy minerality and a very discreet hint of tobacco. Good length. Therer is a very discreet hint of almost saline minerality on the finish.

Score : 15.5+/20 (91/100)

Fattoria Nicodemi - Le Murate 2016 Montepulciano d'Abruzzo

The nose is aromatic. It reveals notes of wild red berries, wild raspberry and flowers associated with small notes of racy minerality, grove / laurel bay and discreet hints of blackberry. The mouth is fruity, suave, slightly tight, well-balanced, precise and offers fat, a beautiful definition, a beautiful minerality a very slight unctuosity, elegance, gourmandise, a beautiful suavity, harmony as well as a fine and slightly tight. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy blackberry, ripe / crushed red berries and small notes crushed raspberry associated with small touches of cassis, flowers as well as discreet hints of olive, discreet toasted hints / vanille and a very discreet hint of almond (in the background). Tannins are fine and a bit chewy. Good length.

Score : 16.5+/20 (93-94/100)

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Collefrisio - Vignaquadra Pecorino 2017

Pecorino Terre di Chieti

The nose is fruity, gourmand and offers a fine sucrosity. It reveals notes of sweet lemon and sweet mandarin associated with touches of sweet pink grapefruit, flowers / rose and touches of exotic fruits (passion fruit, quenette). The palate is fruity, well-balanced, well-built and offers a fine freshness, a good definition, tension, fat, suavity, an acid frame as well as gourmandise. On the palate this wine expresses notes of sweet lemon, sweet tangerine and small notes of sweet pink grapefruit zest associated with slight touches of pineapple and quenette. Good length.

Score : 15.25/20 (90/100)

Collefrisio - Vignaquadra Passerina 2017 Passerina Terre di Chieti

The nose is fruity, gourmand and offers a fine freshness as well as a fine density / richness. It reveals notes of fleshy vine peach and ripe lemon associated with small touches of pineapple and apple. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, very slightly"perlante" (discreet sparkling sensation) and offers a good structure, a fine suavity, a fine acid frame, roundness and tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon, fleshy / ripe vine peach and small notes of sweet grapefruit associated with a touch of grapefruit mesocarp and an imperceptible hint of apricot (in the background). The finish is very slightly tight. Score : 15/20 (89-90/100)

Gioia del Sole - Pecorino 2016 Terre di Chieti

The nose is fruity and aromatic. It reveals notes of ripe white fruits, rose and small notes of litchi associated with fine touches of ripe lemon and ripe mandarin. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, round, racy and offers a fine juiciness, a small minerality (fine mineral frame), a good freshness and a very slight straightness. In the mouth this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon, lychee and ripe/crushed peach / brugnon associated with small / slight touches of rose, quenette as well as an imperceptible hint of passion fruit and zest.Good length. Score : 14.75/20 (88-89/100)

Di Sipio 2016 Cerasuolo D'Abruzzo

The nose reveals hints of cherry, cassis and small notes of ripe wild berries associated with hints of garrigue / grove as well as discreet touches of sweet raspberry. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good definition, a fine mineral texture as well as tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of sweet cherry, sweet raspberry and small notes of cassis associated with small hints of strawberry and a very discreet hint of grove / olive. Good length. There is a very discreet hint of liquorice on the persistence. Score : 14.5+/20 (88/100)

Tenuta I Fauri - Pecorino 2017 Terre di Chieti

The nose is fruity and offers elegance. It reveals notes of brugnon, citrus and small notes of small yellow fruits associated with fine touches of minerality and lychee. The wine needs to be put in carafe. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, racy, elegant and offers a good definition, a beautiful mineral frame, tension, a fine juiciness, a fine unctuosity as well as a fine straightness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe brugnon, crushed apple and small notes of kumquat associated with fine touches of mirabelle plum, beeswax as well as very discreet hints of sweet tangerine and a hint of almond / sweet spices (on the finish). Good length. There is a very discreet / imperceptible tannic sensation on the finish. Score : 16 + 20 (92 - 93 / 100)

Tenuta I Fauri - Passerina 2017 Colline Teatine

The nose is fresh and fruity. It reveals notes of ripe lemon, kumquat and small notes of crushed peach combined with touches of yellow fruit, fresh almond, racy minerality and a very discreet / imperceptible hint of olive tree (in the background). The palate is fruity, elegant, well-balanced, gourmand and offers a beautiful definition, suavity, a (very) slight unctuosity, suavity, precision, a small melodious side, roundness as well as a small dynamism. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon, juicy guince and juicy small yellow fruits combined with small notes of crushed nectarine, beeswax, pineapple as well as very discreet notes of ripe / juicy citrus fruits. Good length and persistence. There are a fine creaminess, a hint of toasted almond as well as a very discreet tannic sensation on the persistence. Score : 16.5/20(93/100)

Contesa - Vigna Corvino 2017 Trebbiano D'Abruzzo

The nose is fruity, aromatic, (very) slightly gourmande and offers a fine intensity. It reveals notes of green apple, crunchy pear and slight notes of fresh mirabelle / quince associated with discreet touches of fresh flowers. The palate is fruity, round, suave and offers gourmandise, a (very) slight creaminess, a fine tension, an acid frame, minerality as well as a slight airy side. On the palate this wine expresses notes of green apple, crunchy pear, green plum associated with touches of papaya, crunchy mirabelle plum as well as discreet touches of flowers, citrus and a discreet hint of melon. Good length.

Score : 15+/20 (89-90/100)

Cantina Tollo - C'Incanta 2012 Trebbiano D'Abruzzo

The nose is fresh, fruity and well-built. It reveals notes of mirabelle plum, quince, white peach and crunchy apple combined with subtle hints of beeswax, sweet spices as well as an imperceptible hint of muesli and olive tree. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good definition, a beautiful minerality, an acid frame, tension, a fine suavity as well as a very nice freshness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of quince, beeswax and small notes of crunchy apple associated with fine touches of mirabelle plum, pear, melon, dried small yellow fruits, beeswax as well as a discreet hint of almond / muesli and (almost saline) racy minerality. Good length. The finish / aftertaste are slightly powerful. Score : 15.5+/20 (91/100)

Frentana - Donna Greta 2016 Pecorino Terre di Chieti

The nose is fresh, fruity and offers a small fleshiness / intensity. It reveals notes of fresh Granny Smith apple, crushed peach and small notes of pear associated with slight touches of fresh citrus (mandarin orange ...), quince as well as a very discreet hint of flowers and an imperceptible touch of eucalyptus / olive tree. The palate is fruity, juicy and offers gourmandise, a beautiful juiciness, a beautiful definition, a small tension, precision as well as complexity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy apple, crunchy peach and crunchy pineapple associated with touches of juicy citrus (quince, sweet lemon, tangerine), fleshy / juicy mirabelle and an imperceptible touch of beeswax. Good length. Gourmandise / suavity and presence of a very discreet touch of saline minerality on the finish. Score : 16/20 (92/100)

Cantina Tollo - Pecorino 2017 Terre di Chieti

The nose is fruity, gourmande, aromatic and offers a small complexity. It reveals notes of juicy Granny Smith apple, pear and touches of fresh citrus associated with discreet touches of juicy vine peach, fresh flowers as well as an imperceptible hint of olive tree and yellow berries. The palate is fruity, fresh, well-balanced and offers good definition, a fine acid frame, roundness, racy minerality, tension, fat as well as a slight straightness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy Granny Smith apple, juicy vine peach, guince and small notes of citrus, tangerine zest associated with subtle hints of small yellow plum, racy minerality, olive tree as well as an imperceptible saline hint and toasted hint. Good length and good persistence.

Score : 15.25+/20 (90-91/100)

Tilli - Concetto 2017 Pecorino Terre di Chieti

The nose is fruity, fresh, well-balanced and offers a fine intensity as well as concentration. It reveals notes of apple, Williams pear, quince and small touches of racy minerality, ripe citrus associated with discreet touches of small yellow fruits, salinity, exotic fruits (pineapple, quenette) and olive tree. The palate is fruity, fresh, well-balanced and offers a beautiful definition, a fine unctuosity, a fine suavity, a fine acid frame, a beautiful guideline, good precision as well as dynamism. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy apple, Williams pear, quince and small notes of beeswax associated with discreet touches of racy minerality, small yellow fruits, a discreet hint of exotic fruits (quenette, crunchy pineapple ...) and an imperceptible hint of salinity and olive tree / flowers. Good length. Score : 15.75/20 (91-92/100)

Bosco - Pecorino 2017 **Colline Pescaresi**

The nose is fruity, fresh, chiseled and precise. It reveals notes of fresh apple, quince and small notes of pear associated with subtle touches of zests (mandarin, lemon / yuzu) and discreet touches of grove / olive tree. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, chiselled and offers a good definition, a fine acid frame, precision, a small fat, minerality, roundness, a small depthness, tension as well as juiciness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of pear, vine peach and quince associated with small touches of fleshy mirabelle plum, fresh physalis as well as discreet touches of citrus (kumquat, mandarin) and a discreet touch of zest of lemon. Good length. Score : 15+/20 (89-90/100)

Costantini 2017

Trebbiano d'Abruzzo

The nose offers fleshy. It reveals notes of fleshy brugnon, pear and small notes of apple associated with small touches of fleshy mirabelle plum as well as an imperceptible hint of racy minerality and grove. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, fresh, chiselled and offers a good definition, a racy minerality, a fine acid frame, a small fat, precision as well as dynamism. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy brugnon, crunchy green apple and Williams pear associated with small notes of quince, mirabelle plum, racy minerality, beeswax as well as discreet touches of citrus / kumquat (in the background) and an imperceptible hint of green almond (in the background). Good length.

Score : 15+/20 (89-90/100)

Tilli - Lupus 2017 Trebbiano d'Abruzzo

The nose is aromatic and offers a fine intensity as well as a small concentration. It reveals notes of apple, white flowers and olive tree / scrubland associated with fine touches of citrus and an imperceptible touch of papaya. The palate is fruity, wellbalanced and offers a good definition, an acid frame, a very beautiful freshness, a small fat as well as a beautiful minerality. On the palate this wine expresses notes of apple, flowers, green almond and small notes of citrus associated with fine touches of quince and citrus. Good length. Score : 14.75+/20 (89/100)

Collefrisio Frisa 2017

Trebbiano d'Abruzzo

The nose is fruity, fresh and offers a (very) slight concentration. It reveals notes of green apple, crunchy brugnon and small notes of citrus associated with a touch of quince, minerality and an imperceptible touch of fresh flowers. The mouth is

juicy, fresh, well-balanced and offers suavity, fat as well as tension and dynamism. On the palate this wine expresses notes of apple, tangerine, ripe lemon and small notes of crunchy brugnon associated with a discreet hint of zest as well as an imperceptible hint of quenette and flowers. Good length. Score : 14.75/20 (88-89/100)

Costantini 2017 Abruzzo Pecorino

The nose is fruity and offers a fine freshness. It reveals notes of crushed green apple, vine peach and small notes of citrus associated with a discreet hint of exotic fruits and an imperceptible hint of flowers / grove. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, chiselled and offers a good definition, a fine acid frame, a fine fat as well as a small straightness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy apple, brugnon and small notes of vine peach associated with touches of citrus (tangerine, lemon, sweet pink grapefruit...) as well as a touch of zest and a discreet hint of exotic fruits (quenette, pineapple). Good length. Score : 15.25/20 (90/100)

Gioia del Sole - Bella Addormentata 2017 Pecorino Terre di Chieti

The nose is fruity, fresh and slightly powerful. It reveals notes of fleshy peach, citrus and discreet hints of zest associated with a very discreet hint of flowers, quince and an imperceptible hint of olive tree / scrubland. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, suave, precise, straight and offers a discreet acid frame (in the background), a small freshness as well as a small tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of brugnon, apple and small notes of citrus associated with a subtle hint of zest, quince, racy minerality as well as an imperceptible touch of flowers / olive tree, beeswax and almond on the finish. Score : 14.5/20(88/100)

Contesa - Vigna Corvino 2017 Passerina Abruzzo

The nose is fruity. The wine needs to be put in carafe. It reveals notes of quince, ripe almond and citrus (kumquat, tangerine ...) associated with fine touches of apple, mirabelle plum as well as discreet hints of ripe pineapple and spices. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, (very) slightly tight, a bit gourmand and offers a good definition, a fine acid frame, a fine suavity, juiciness, a good freshness as well as fleshiness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe citrus (lemon, mandarin, kumquat, pink grapefruit) associated with small notes of apple, pineapple as well as a discreet hint of quince. Good length. Score : 15.5/20 (90-91/100)

Gioia del Sole - Bella Addormentata 2017 Cerasuolo D'Abruzzo

The nose is fruity. It reveals notes of ripe red berries, Bigarreau cherry and small notes of crushed raspberry combined with a hint of blackberry and apple. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, slightly tight and offers a racy minerality, tension, a fine fat, a good definition, dynamism as well as a fine concentration. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe wild red berries, Bigarreau cherry and wild raspberry combined with slight touches of blackberry, apple and a discreet hint of citrus. Good length.

Score : 15+/20 (89-90/100)

Piancanelli 2017 Moscato d'Asti

The nose is fruity, gourmand and well-built. It reveals notes of crushed pear, stewed peach and lemon confit associated with small touches of exotic fruits, sweet pink grapefruit as well as very discreet hints of flowers, fresh / fleshy apple and an imperceptible hint of almond. The palate is fruity, precise, straight and offers a beautiful fat, tension, a beautiful balance, a beautiful gourmandise, a small freshness, a fine juiciness as well as a small / fine acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy pear, stewed peach and candied lemon associated with small touches of crystallized clementine, sweet pink grapefruit as well as slight hints of roasted pineapple, kiwi, exotic fruits and flowers. Good length. Score : 15.75+/20 (91-92/100)

Cà d'Abruzzo 2017 Terre di Chieti Bianco

The nose is fruity and offers a small crunchiness and freshness. It reveals notes of crunchy pear, apple and small notes of fresh lemon associated with slight touches of juicy / fresh tangerine as well as discreet hints of exotic fruits. The palate is fruity, mineral and offers fat, a fine tension, straightness, a mineral frame as well as roundness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of lemon zest, ripe citrus and small notes of peach associated with fine touches of lychee. Score : 14.5/20 (88/100)

Cà d'Abruzzo 2017

Trebbiano d'Abruzzo

The nose is fruity. It reveals notes of ripe lemon, ripe apple and small notes of peach associated with fine hints of fresh citrus and discreet hints of flowers. The palate is fruity, fresh, suave, fat, well-balanced, straight and offers a fine acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon, crunchy peach and small notes of apple associated with small hints of citrus as well as discreet hints of tangerine zest and fresh quenette.

Score : 14.5+/20 (88/100)

Azienda Agricola Olivastri Tommaso - L'Ariosa 2017

Abruzzo Pecorino

The nose is fruity. It reveals notes of ripe lemon, ripe pink grapefruit and small notes of flat peach associated with fine hints of flowers, exotic fruits and a discreet hint of almost iodine minerality. The palate is fruity, round, suave, beautifully gourmande, delicate and offers a beautiful definition, a good volume as well as a very fine grain. On the palate this wine expresses notes of quenette, crushed nectarine and small notes of ripe citrus (lemon, mandarin, grapefruit) associated with a hint of lychee, white flowers as well as discreet hints of iodine minerality and a imperceptible hint of passion fruit. Good persistence.

Score : 16+/20 (92-93/100)

Colle Moro 2017

Trebbiano d'Abruzzo

The nose is fruity and offers a fine richness. It reveals notes of pear compote, crushed peach and small notes of citrus associated with hints of litchi and a very discreet hint of white flowers. The palate is fruity, juicy, well-balanced and offers a fine acidulous frame, tension, precision and elegance. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed Williams pear, peach compote and lychee combined with touches of juicy citrus fruit as well as discreet hints of juicy pineapple / passion fruit and racy minerality. Good length. There is an imperceptible touch of almond on the persistence.

Score : 15.5/20 (90-91/100)

Fattoria Nicodemi - Notàri 2016 Trebbiano d'Abruzzo

The nose offers elegance. It reveals notes of lychee and crushed flat peach combined with small hints of citrus, racy minerality and flowers. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, suave, round, silky and offers a fine acid frame, a small freshness, volume, a fine juiciness as well as a very fine straightness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of lychee, quenette and compoted peach associated with small hints of pear, lemon as well as a very discreet hint of mandarin and an imperceptible hint of flowers. Good length. Score : 15.5/20 (90-91/100)

Colle Corviano 2017

Trebbiano d'Abruzzo

The nose is fresh, fruity and a bit discreet. It reveals notes of fresh citrus and small notes of litchi associated with small hints of nectarine and apple. The palate is fruity, juicy, gourmand and offers suavity, volume, a fine unctuosity as well as a very fine tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of litchi and ripe / juicy lemon associated with small touches of tangerine, apricot, exotic fruit, crushed nectarine and an imperceptible hint of flowers. Score : $15.75 \pm 20(91-92/100)$

Colle Moro - Alianto 2017 Terre di Chieti

The nose is fruity, elegant, gourmand, aromatic and offers a (very) slight intensity.

It reveals notes of vine peach and Williams pear associated with fine hints of passion fruit, citrus zest (kumquat, lime ...) and a very discreet hint of garrigue. The palate is elegant, precise, a bit gourmand and offers finesse, a good guideline, a very fine acidulous frame (in the background) and a good structure. On the palate this wine expresses notes of lychee, quenette, passion fruit and small notes of vine peach associated with fine touches of citrus zest, Williams pear as well as a very discreet hint of garrigue and of racy minerality.

Score : $15.75 \pm 20(91-92/100)$

Talamonti - Trabocchetto 2017 Pecorino Colline Pescaresi

The nose is fruity, mineral and precise. It reveals notes of flat peach, lychee and small notes of citrus zest (lime, tangerine) associated with small hints of fresh apricot, flowers and an imperceptible touch of green olive (in background). The palate is fruity, well-built and offers a beautiful juiciness, dynamism, a beautiful acidulous frame, precision, elegance, a beautiful definition, a certain delicacy, fat, roundness, a small unctuosity as well as a small tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of lychee, juicy vine peach and small notes of tangerine associated with touches of juicy grapefruit, fresh apricot, fleshy white fruits as well as subtle hints of racy minerality, flowers and an imperceptible hint of garrigue. Score : 16 + 20 (92 - 93 / 100)

Vino di Bosco - Pan 2016,

Chardonnay - Colline Pescaresi

The nose is fresh. It reveals notes of juicy yellow peach, vanilla and small notes of citrus (lemon, mandarin) combined with slight / discreet hints of juicy grapefruit. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good definition, suavity, roundness, fat, a small unctuosity as well as a beautiful juicy frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed pear and crushed brugnon associated with small notes of lychee, vanilla as well as slight hints of flowers and ripe citrus. Good length. Score : 15+/20 (89-90/100)

Tenuta Arabona - Mia Natura 2017 Pecorino Colline Pescaresi

The nose is aromatic, fresh, racy and offers a fine intensity. It reveals notes of flowers, fresh zest and exotic fruits associated with small hints of fresh white fruits. The palate is fruity, juicy, well-balanced and offers a good definition, precision, a beautiful racy minerality as well as a very fine acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy lemon and vine peach associated with slight hints of grapefruit, mandarin and juicy white fruits. Good length. Good acidulous Score: 14.75+/20 (89/100) persistence.

Menicucci - Alzavola 2016

Vino Bianco

The nose is fruity, elegant and offers fleshiness, minerality as well as a small freshness. It reveals notes of passion fruit and ripe citrus fruit (tangerine, grapefruit) combined with small notes of vine peach, pear and slight hints of flowers. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, suave and offers a fine acid / acidulous frame, a little juiciness, a fine tension, a small freshness, precision, elegance as well as a slight straightness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of vine peach and juicy citrus (grapefruit, mandarin) combined with slight hints of litchi. Good length. Score : 15.5/20 (90-91/100)

Collefrisio - Semis 2013 Bianco Terre di Chieti

The nose is aromatic and offers a fine richness and a small concentration. It reveals notes of quince, mirabelle plum and small yellow fruits combined with hints of vanilla, flowers as well as slight hints of fresh white fruits and local vegetation. The mouth is juicy, mineral, well-structured and offers straightness as well as a fine acidulous frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy yellow fruits, pear, vanilla and small notes of mirabelle plum combined with a very discreet hint of roasted pineapple and beeswax. Good length. Good persistence. There are discreet hints of almond and a fine chews on the persistence. Score : $15.5 \pm 20 (91/100)$

Menicucci - Ginesia 2017 Passerina Terre di Chieti

The nose is aromatic, elegant, well-built and offers gourmandise. It reveals notes of pear, quenette and small notes of nectarine, passion fruit associated with small Naturae et Purae - bio&dynamica 9 Nov

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hints of flowers, citrus and vanilla. The palate is fruity, juicy, precise, elegant, suave, well-built, a bit gourmand and offers a beautiful acidulous frame as well as a beautiful definition. On the palate this wine expresses notes of lychee, vine peach and small notes of quenette associated with small touches of fleshy white fruits, flowers, citrus (grapefruit, lemon) as well as a discreet hint of zest of lime and vanilla. Good length. There is an imperceptible touch of almond on the aftertaste. Score : 16.25/20 (92-93/100)

Menicucci - Ginesia 2017 Pecorino Terre di Chieti

The nose is a bit closed and offers concentration, a small intensity as well as a richness. The wine need to be in carafe. It reveals notes of quenette, crunchy green apple and small notes of citrus associated with slight hints of zest and subtle hints of ripe apricot. The palate is fruity, juicy, fine, elegant and offers a beautiful definition, a beautiful finesse, a beautiful mineral frame, a small acid side, a beautiful precision, a good finesse of the grain as well as delicacy. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy peach, lychee and small notes of green apple associated with touches of ripe / juicy citrus (grapefruit, mandarin,

kumquat) and slight / discreet hints of juicy apricot, juicy grapes and an imperceptible hint of zest (in the background). Score : 17/20 (94/100)

Tenuta del Professore - D'Alesio 2013 Trebbiano d'Abruzzo

The nose reveals notes of citrus and oak associated with fine notes of ripe yellow fruits, mirabelle plum, touches of ripe/ juicy citrus fruit as well as a hint of nectarine and an imperceptible hint of nutmeg. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers suavity, tension as well as a small acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe citrus fruits, quince, ripe nectarine and small notes of litchi associated with a subtle hint of juicy mirabelle plum and oak. Score : 15/20 (89-90/100)

Talamonti - Aternum 2017 Trebbiano d'Abruzzo

The nose is fruity, juicy, a bit gourmand and offers a slight concentration. It reveals notes of crushed brugnon, quince and small notes of apricot associated with touches of ripe citrus (tangerine, kumquat, lemon), a small hint of flowers, a discreet hint of juicy pineapple as well as a very discreet hint of apple compote and honey. The palate is fruity, wellbalanced, well-built, slightly gourmande and offers good definition, finesse, a small tension, precision as well as a beautiful acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy peach, quince and small notes of apricot associated with small touches of candied mandarin, ripe lemon, kumquat, ripe pineapple as well as a small hint of flowers and a subtle hint of spices. Good length.

Score : 16.25+/20 (93/100)

Fattoria Nicodemi - Le Murate 2017 Trebbiano d'Abruzzo

The nose is fruity and offers elegance and a small freshness. It reveals notes of fresh apple, fresh pineapple and small notes of citrus (tangerine, kumquat) associated with small hints of white fruit, slight hints of juicy mirabelle plum as well as a (very) slight hint of flowers (in the background) and an imperceptible hint of apricot. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, elegant, well-built, slightly acidulous and offers a good definition, a mineral frame as well as a good fineness of the grain. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe / fresh green apple and ripe / fresh citrus (grapefruit, lemon) associated with touches of flowers, juicy pineapple as well as a subtle hint of juicy quenette and mirabelle plum. Good length. Score : $15.5 \pm 20 (91/100)$

I Lauri - Chardonnay 2017 Colline Pescaresi

The nose is aromatic and fruity. It reveals notes of lychee, exotic fruits and hints of apple associated with subtle hints of flowers and a very discreet touch of papaya. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, juicy, a bit gourmand and offers a good definition, a beautiful acidulous frame, straightness, suavity, precision as well as a racy minerality. On the palate this wine expresses notes of quenette, vine peach and small notes of juicy citrus associated with hints of apple as well as slight hints of flowers, zest and racy minerality. Good length. The finish is a bit tight. Score : 15/20 (89-90/100)

ROSÉ ABRUZZO WINES

Bosco - Superiore 2017 Cerasuolo D'Abruzzo

The nose is fruity and slight tight. It reveals notes of cherry and strawberry associated with subtle touches of apple, fresh/fleshy small fruit as well as an imperceptible touch of citrus and grove (in the background). The palate is fruity, well-balanced, chiselled and offers a good definition, a beautiful freshness, minerality, a small suavity, precision as well as a beautiful acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of redcurrants, raspberry and small notes of cherry associated with small touches of apple, citrus (mandarin, lemon) as well as an imperceptible hint of pineapple and crunchy berries. Good length.

Score : 14.75+/20 (89/100)

Azienda Agricola Olivastri Tommaso -Mercantonio 2017 Cerasuolo d'Abruzzo

The nose is fruity and very slightly tight. It reveals notes of raspberry, cherry and small notes of olive tree / grove associated with small hints of white fruit. The palate is fruity, juicy. well-balanced, fresh, mineral and offers a beautiful acidulous frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of raspberry, cherry and small notes of citrus (lemon, mandarin) associated with a touch of zest. The finish is quite gourmande.

Score : 14.75+/20 (89/100)

Menicucci - Ginesia 2017 Cerasuolo d'Abruzzo

The nose is fruity, fresh, elegant, precise, beautifully defined and offers a small crystalline side. It reveals notes of raspberries, cherries and redcurrants acidulous candy combined with slight hints of citrus (in the background). The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a beautiful definition, a small fat, a fine unctuosity, precision as well as a small straightness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed strawberry, fleshy / juicy raspberry and small notes of cherry acidulous candy associated with slight hints of juicy citrus as well as a very discreet hint of almond on the persistence. Good length and persistence. Score : 17+/20(94-95/100)

Fattoria Nicodemi - Le Murate 2017 Cerasuolo d'Abruzzo

The nose is fruity and offers elegance as well as a small freshness. It reveals notes of cherry candy and small notes of raspberry combined with touches of white fruit. The palate is fruity, elegant, gourmand, well-built, suave and offers a beautiful definition as well as a beautiful freshness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of redcurrant acidulous candy and cherry associated with small touches of apple, peach and a discreet hint of lemon. Good length. Score : 16/20(92/100)

Tenuta Arabona - Manus Plere 2017

Cerasuolo d'Abruzzo

The nose is fruity and (very) slightly powerful. It reveals notes of redcurrant candy, crushed raspberry and crushed strawberry combined with slight touches of peach and a discreet hint of citrus. The mouth is juicy, fruity, well-balanced and offers a beautiful acid frame, suavity as well as a good definition. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy lemon, juicy redcurrants and small notes of strawberry, cherry associated with touches of crunchy peach as well as slight hints of tangerine and green apple. Good length.

Score: 14.75/20 (88-89/100)

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KAMPTALWINES

Weingut Grillmaier - Grüner Veltliner 1348 Kamptal Reserve DAC

The nose is fruity, racy and offers a very fine concentration. It reveals notes of minerality, bulb / flowers and citrus associated with subtle touches of white flowers. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, precise, straight and offers a fine unctuosity, fat, tension, a small freshness, a mineral frame (racy minerality) as well as roundness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of green apple, bulb / varietal notes and small notes of flowers associated with touches of lychee, white fruit as well as a subtle hint of citrus and spices. Good length. Score : 15.25/20 (90/100)

Weingut Bründlmayer - Langenloiser Alter Reben Grüner Veltliner 2016

Kamptal Reserve DAC

The nose is fruity, well-balanced and offers power. It reveals notes of lemon zest and minerality associated with small notes of ripe tangerine zest and a discreet hint of gray pepper. The palate is fresh, fruity, juicy, suave, mineral, racy, precise and offers tension, a beautiful acid frame, a fine incisive side, dynamism, roundness, a good definition as well as fat. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy lemon, ripe tangerine and small notes of peach associated with a touch of Williams pear, discreet touches of pink lychee as well as a subtle / discreet hint of pineapple (in the background) and Granny Smith apple. Good and acidulous persistence. Score : $16.25 \pm 20 (93/100)$

Weixelbaum - Anno Dazumal Sauvignon Blanc 2015

Kamptal

The nose is fruity, well-structured, a bit powerful and offers a small strict side. It reveals notes of lemon and citrus zest associated with subtle hints of minerality, grapes seed as well as an imperceptible touch of gray pepper and flowers. The palate is fruity, fat, round, suave, well-balanced and offers freshness, a fine juiciness, an acid frame as well as an aerial side. On the palate this wine expresses notes of lemon, litchi and small notes of crunchy peach combined with subtle hints of tangerine, racy minerality, very discreet touches of beeswax, a very discreet hint of vanilla (in the background) as well as an imperceptible hint of fresh flowers (in the background) and a very discreet toasted hint / almond (in the background). Good length.

Score : 15.25+/20 (90-91/100)

Kurt Angerer - Eichenstaude Grüner Veltliner 2016 Ried Kiesling Kamptal DAC

The nose is fruity, juicy and offers a fine concentration / intensity. It reveals notes of ripe lemon, ripe tangerine and small notes of Williams pear combined with hints of exotic fruit (pineapple), a subtle hint of juicy apricot as well as small hints of minerality. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, gourmande, precise, slighyly dense, slightly tight and offers tension, dynamism, fat, suavity as well as a good structure. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe citrus / juicy (tangerine, lemon, pink grapefruit) and small notes of fleshy vine peach associated with touches of pineapple, green apple, discreet touches of small yellow fruits, minerality as well as an imperceptible touch of flowers and fresh almond. Good length. Score : 15.75/20 (91-92/100)

Fichtenbauer Mold - Grüner Veltliner Klassik 2017 Kamptal DAC

The nose is fruity and a bit restrained. The wine need to be served in carafe. It reveals notes of peach skin, citrus fruits and exotic fruits combined with touches of minerality as well as an imperceptible touch of fresh flowers (in the background). The palate is fruity and offers a discreet sparkling sensation on the attack ("perlante"), suavity, a good definition, an acid frame, a small gourmandise, freshness, precision, a good juiciness as well as volume. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon and pink grapefruit associated with subtle touches of fleshy peach, exotic fruits (crunchy pineapple, quenette and a discreet hint of papaya) as well as hints of crunchy / juicy green apple and minerality. Good length. Score : 15.5/20 (90-91/100)

Schloss Gobelsburg - Riesling 2016 Ried Gaisberg 1 OT.W Kamptal

The nose is aromatic, fresh and offers elegance as well as intensity / concentration. There are notes of apple, ripe peach and small notes of citrus (lemon, pink grapefruit) associated with discreet touches of yellow berries, fresh flowers, flint, and an imperceptible touch of pepper (background). The palate is fruity, well-balanced, elegant and offers a good definition, a beautiful mineral frame, acidity, juiciness, fat, a good structure, roundness, finesse as well as a beautiful grain. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy lemon, juicy apple and small notes of crunchy peach associated with small touches of flowers, grapefruit mesocarp, juicy pink grapefruit as well as discreet touches of flint. Good length and persistence (with acidulous citrus notes and an imperceptiblehint of ripe seed). Score : 16.25+/20 (93/100)

Nastl - Grüner Veltliner 2017 Trocken Kamptal DAC

The nose is aromatic and offers a fine intensity / concentration. It reveals notes of white flowers (lily of the valley, honeysuckle) and green apple associated with small notes of quenette as well as a touch of papaya and lime zest. The palate is fruity, mineral, well-balanced, precise and offers a good definition, juiciness, roundness, a fine grain as well as a fine suavity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy brugnon, green apple and small notes of quenette associated with touches of flowers, juicy citrus as well as a discreet touch of papaya and flint. Good length. Score : 14.75+/20 (89/100)

Wutzl - Riesling 2016 Ried Hofstatt Kamptal Reserve DAC

The nose is relatively powerful. It reveals notes of ripe white fruits and flowers (lily of the valley, lilac) associated with small touches of citrus zest, peach skin and minerality. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, well-builr and offers good definition, a good acid frame, suavity as well as roundness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon, ripe apple and small notes of quenette / peach associated with small touches of flowers, flint, dried zest as well as a very discreet hint of plum (in the background). Good length (citrus fruits and a hint of flowers). Score : 14.75/20 (88-89/100)

Jurtschitsch - Grüner Veltliner 2016 Ried Käfer-berg 10T.W

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The nose is aromatic and a bit gourmand. It reveals notes of ripe citrus and grilled bread associated with a discreet touch of crushed apple and spices. The palate is fruity, fine, well-balanced, elegan, racy and offers fine tension, freshness, a beautiful definition, minerality as well as precision. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon, ripe mandarin and small notes of fleshy peach associated with small / slight touches of zest, quenette as well as discreet touches of fresh almond and racy minerality. Good length.

Score : 15.5+/20 (91/100)

Weingut Am berg - Grüner Veltliner 2016 Ried Kellerberg Kamptal

The nose is fruity and juicy. It reveals notes of lemon and citrus flowers (lemon, mandarin) combined with touches of crunchy peach, racy minerality as well as discreet notes of Granny Smith apple and exotic fruit. The palate is fruity, wellbalanced and offers good definition, a fine acid frame, juiciness, suavity and fat. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy vine peach and fleshy apple associated with small notes of lemon, ripe lemon zest, tangerine as well as slight touches of crunchy peach. Good length. Beautiful persistence and juiciness. There is an imperceptible touch of almond on the persistence / aftertaste. Score : 16/20(92/100)

Steininger - Grüner Veltliner 2016 Ried Kittmannsberg Kamptal DAC Reserve

The nose is fruity and offers concentration as well as a fine intensity. It reveals notes of lemon zest, apple, crunchy brugnon and varietal notes associated with a very discreet hint of mandarin zest. The palate is fruity, juicy, elegant, gourmande, well-

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balanced, suave, precise, racy and offers an acid frame, a beautiful suavity, a beautiful definition, minerality, fat, a beautiful roundness as well as a beautiful juiciness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy vine peach, fleshy pear and small notes of ripe / juicy citrus fruit (mandarin, lemon) associated with discreet touches of pineapple as well as subtle / discreet hints of quince (in the background). Good length. There is an imperceptible hint of beeswax and almond on the aftertaste / persistence (bring gourmandise).

Score : 16.5+/20 (93-94/100)

Loimer - Riesling 2016 Ried Steinmass1 1ÖT.W -Langenlois Kamptal DAC

The nose is fruity, racy and offers a fine concentration. It reveals notes of small yellow fruits, citrus and subtle hints of crunchy green peach associated with hints of exotic fruits (crunchy pineapple ...) and varietal hints. The palate is juicy, fruity, dynamic, mineral, racy and offers a good definition, a slight suavity as well as a beautiful finesse and delicacy. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy lemon, juicy tangerine and small notes of small yellow fruits / quince associated with discreet touches of pineapple as well as subtle / imperceptible hints of exotic fruits (in the background). Good length.

Score : 16.25/20 (92-93/100)

Hiedler - Grüner Veltliner 2016 Ried Schenkenbi-chl 1ÖT.W

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The nose is fruity and offers a very fine grain. It reveals notes of juicy / ripe citrus (clementine, lemon) and flat peach associated with subtle hints of green apple as well as an imperceptible hint of racy minerality and white flowers (lilac). The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good definition, a fine minerality, a fine acidity (fine acid frame), a small gourmandise, a very fine unctuosity, a beautiful suavity, fat, a small tension as well as juiciness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe / juicy lemon, juicy tangerine and small notes of ripe / fleshy flat peach associated with a discreet hint of apple, mirabelle plum and an imperceptible hint of pineapple. Good length.

Score : 15.75/20 (91-92/100)

Sax - Riesling 2016 Ried Loiserberg Kamptal DAC Reserve

The nose is fruity and offers a fine intensity. It reveals notes of lemon zest, flint and flowers associated with touches of citrus, yuzu zests as well as fine touches of white flowers / lily of the valley and a discreet hint of nectarine. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a beautiful definition, suavity / roundness, a beautiful, finely powerful guideline, a good acid frame, freshness as well as a beautiful dynamism. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy lemon, juicy pink grapefruit and mandarin mesocarp associated with small touches of crunchy peach, green apple, subtle hints of racy minerality as well as an imperceptible hint of flowers and liquorice (in the background). Good length.

Score : 15.5/20 (90-91/100)

Hirsch - Grüner Veltliner 2015 Gaisberg 1ÖT.W Kamptal

The nose is fruity and offers a very fine unctuosity as well as a very fine concentration. It reveals notes of apple and fleshy peach associated with small notes of zest, quenette as well as subtle hints of crushed Brugnon, quince and an imperceptible hint of honey. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good definition, a fine acid frame, a fine juiciness as well as fleshiness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy / ripe lemon, fleshy quenette and small notes of zests associated with a hint of mesocarp grapefruit as well as fine touches of apple and an imperceptible hint of honey. Good length. Score: 15.25/20 (90/100)

Laurenz V. - Charming Grüner Veltliner 2016 Kamptal DAC Reserve

The nose is a bit closed. The wine needs to be served in carafe. It reveals notes of spices / almonds, fresh lemon and lemongrass associated with fine touches of clementine / fresh citrus fruits as well as a discreet hint of beeswax. The palate is fruity, juicy, slightly"perlante" (discreet sparkling sensation), well-balanced and offers a fine fat, a beautiful acid frame, a racy minerality as well as a beautiful grain. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon and fleshy / crunchy green apple associated with fine touches of mandarin zest, racy minerality, citrus mesocarp and crunchy brugnon. Good length.

Score : 15.75+/20 (91-92/100)

RABL - Grüner Veltliner 2016 Ried Käferberg Kamptal DAC Reserve

The nose is fleshy and offers a fine richness as well as a fine gourmandise. It reveals notes of almond, quince and ripe / juicy lemon associated with discreet varietal touches. The palate is fruity, slightly"perlante" (discreet sparkling sensation) and offers a fine suavity, a good definition, a beautiful dynamism, a very fine unctuosity as well as an acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy / juicy lemon, juicy peach and small notes of pear associated with hints of crushed brugnon, litchi as well as a very discreet varietal hint and an imperceptible touch of vanilla. Good length.

Score : 15.25+/20 (90-91/100)

Schmid - Grüner Veltliner 2017 Ried Spiegel Kamptal

The nose is aromatic. It reveals notes of fleshy white peach, flowers (lily of the valley, lilac) and notes of juicy citrus associated with discreet hints of racy minerality and a touch of crunchy pineapple. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a fine unctuosity, a fine gourmandise as well as a fine mineral frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy Brugnon, crushed peach and small notes of flowers associated with subtle hints of citrus and a very discreet hint of dried lemon zest. Good length.

Score : 15+/20 (89-90/100)

Allram - Riesling 2008 Heiligenstein 10T.W -Kamptal Dac Reserve

The nose is fruity, slightly powerful / concentrated and offers fleshiness as well as a small freshness. It reveals notes of fresh almond, ripe / dried citrus, pear and small notes of small yellow fruits associated with a touch of guince, beeswax as well as an imperceptible hint of flowers and spices. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, elegant and offers a beautiful definition, a fine acid frame, a beautiful juiciness, precision, complexity, precision as well as a beautiful grain. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon, ripe peach and Williams pear associated with small notes of beeswax, almond, dried mandarin, touches of ripe pineapple as well as discreet touches of spices and an imperceptible hint of flowers (in the background). Good length.

Score : 17/20 (94/100)

Solist - Riesling 1991

Niederösterreich - Kamptal

The nose is fruity, gourmand, intense, captivating and offers a small complexity. It reveals notes of lychee and rose associated with small notes of peach, quenette and discreet touches of citrus. The palate is fruity, juicy, round, suave, well-balanced and offers a fine definition, finesse, tension, a fine acid frame, a small gourmandise, harmony, unctuosity, delicacy as well as a (very) slightly tight grain. On the palate this wine expresses notes of lychee, rose and lychee core combined with small notes of crushed vine peach, pear as well as fine touches of citrus, beeswax and mirabelle. Good length and good persistence. Crunchiness on the finish. Score : 17/20(94/100)

Birgit Eichinger - Grüner Veltliner 2017 Ried Wechselberg Kamptal

The nose is fruity, fine, aromatic and offers juiciness as well as very fine unctuosity (in the background). The wine needs to be served in carafe. It reveals notes of lemon, lemongrass, crushed Brugnon and small notes of pear associated with fine varietal touches and vanilla. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good definition, a fine acid frame, a fine minerality, a beautiful finesse, a small chiseled side, a beautiful guideline, a very fine unctuosity as well as a beautiful precision. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon, compoted brugnon and small notes pear associated with small / fine touches of mirabelle plum, beeswax and very discreet varietal hints. Good length. Score : 16+/20 (92-93/100)

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Birgit Eichinger - Riesling 2016 Ried Heilingenstein 10T.W Kamptal

The nose is fruity, elegant, well-structured, finely powerful and offers delicacy. The wine needs to be served in carafe. It reveals notes of apple, peach and small notes of honeysuckle associated with small touches of kumquat, citrus as well as a subtle hint of pineapple and a very discreet hint of lilac (in the background). The palate is fruity, juicy, fleshy, well-balanced, elegant, precise, clean, chiselled and offers a fine gourmandise as well as a beautiful definition. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy lemon and crunchy pineapple associated with small notes of tangerine, white flowers and discreet touches of flat peach, mandarin, flowers and racy minerality. Good length.

Score : 16.5+/20 (93-94/100)

Weszeli - Grüner Veltliner 2015 Schenkenbichl 10**T**.W Kamptal

The nose is a bit tight and offers a fine unctuosity (in the background). The wine needs to be served in carafe. It reveals notes of white lilac / lily of the valley, fleshy white peach and small notes of fresh lemon combined with a very discreet hint of

ripe / crushed mirabelle plum (in the background). The palate is fruity, well-balanced, (very) slightly tight and offers a good definition, a fine acid frame, a fine minerality, juiciness, tension, a small unctuosity, gourmandise as well as a fine delicacy. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed Brugnon, Williams pear and small varietal notes / white flowers (lily of the valley) combined with hints of crushed kumquat / mirabelle plum, juicy quince as well as discreet notes of beeswax and vanilla. Good length. Good persistence. Gourmandise on persistence.

Score : 16.25/20 (92-93/100)

Weingut Stadt Krems - Riesling 2016 Ried Grillenparz 1ÖT.W Kremstal

The nose is fruity and elegant. It reveals fine notes of lychee, rose and small notes of grapefruit asso-

ciated with hints of citrus mesocarp as well as discreet hints of pineapple and an imperceptible hint of beeswax. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, elegant and offers a fine acid frame, a small juiciness, straightness, precision, gourmandise, a very fine unctuosity (in the background), a beautiful freshness, juiciness as well as a good definition. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy lemon, fleshy / juicy mandarin and pineapple associated with small touches of crushed vine peach, quenette as well as a discreet hint of citrus mesocarp and an imperceptible hint of flowers (in the background).

Score : 15.75/20 (91-92/100)

KREMSTAL WINES

Türk - Grüner Veltliner 2016 Frechau 1.ÖTW. Kremstal Reserve DAC

The nose is fruity, racy, mineral, well-balanced and offers a fine juiciness. It reveals notes of lemon and racy minerality / flint associated with fine touches of exotic fruits, tangerine as well as discreet hints of white flowers. The palate is fruity, wellbalanced and offers suavity, roundness, power, a good finesse of the grain, a good guideline, a small tension, dynamism as well as a fine freshness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of lemon, quenette / lychee and small notes of passion fruit associated with hints of apple as well as subtle touches of tangerine zest and flint. Good length.

Score : 16/20 (92/100)

ZimmerMann - Rosshimmel - Grüner Veltliner Reserve 2016 Kremstal DAC

The nose is fruity, gourmand, mineral and racy. It reveals notes of lemon, flint and small notes of citrus associated with fine touches of white fruits and rose. The mouth is fresh, juicy, gourmande and offers a good volume, a very fine unctuosity, dynamism, a good volume, a beautiful definition, finesse, juiciness as well as a fine acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon, ripe apple and small notes of litchi associated with touches of racy minerality / flint, tangerine zest and discreet touches of white flowers / rose. Good length. Score : 15.75/20 (91-92/100)

Josef Dockner - Riesling - Ried Leithen -Tiefenfucha Privatfüllung Sepp 2016 Kremstal Reserve DAC

The nose is fruity, elegant and offers gourmandise, freshness as well as a (very) slight richness. It reveals notes of lemon and white flowers / lemon blossoms associated with small touches of racy minerality, zest as well as discreet hints of spices and an imperceptible touch of gray pepper. The palate is fruity, beautifully gourmande, suave, well-built, precise and offers juiciness, a beautiful definition, delicacy as well as a beautiful finesse of the grain. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon, ripe peach and quenette / passion fruit associated with discreet touches of mandarin, crushed pear, racy minerality as well as discreet hints of

flowers and an imperceptible hint of spices. Good

length. Score : 16.75/20 (93-94/100)

Petra Unger - Grüner Veltliner 2016 Alte Reben - Oberfeld 1.ÔTW.

Kremstal Reserve DAC

The nose is fruity, precise, mineral and racy. It reveals notes of fresh zest, green apple skin and small notes of crunchy peach. The mouth is fresh, fruity, well-balanced, precise, gourmande, round and offers a good definition, a fine acid frame (beautiful acidity), suavity, fat, a good definition and dynamism. On the palate this wine expresses notes of lemon, crunchy peach and small notes of Williams pear, apple associated with hints of zest / ripe seed and racy minerality. Good length. Score : 15.5+/20 (91/100)

Malat - Grüner Veltliner 2009 - Gottschelle 1 ÖT.W Erste Lage

Kremstal Reserve DAC

The nose is fruity, racy, precise, well-built and offers minerality. It reveals notes of green apple, fresh yellow fruits and small notes of white flowers (lily of the valley, honeysuckle ...) associated with touches of crunchy fruits, flint, beeswax, spices as well as subtle hints of juicy white fruits. The palate is fruity, juicy, well-balanced, elegant, racy, precise and offers minerality, a good acid frame, freshness, roundness, a beautiful definition, a beautiful grain as well as a beautiful finesse. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy lemon, quince and small touches of juicy mirabelle, juicy mandarin associated with touches of beeswax, kumpuat as well as discreet touches of vine peach and sweet spices. Good length. A beautiful wine !

Score : $16.5 \pm 20 (93 - 94/100)$

Müller - Grüner Veltliner 2016 Ried EichBühel Kremstal Reserve DAC

The nose is fruity and offers freshness, a fine richness as well as a fine power. It reveals notes of ripe peach, apple and small notes of lemon, fresh mirabelle plum associated with a touch of flint, lemon blossom as well as subtle hints of fresh apricot and imperceptible hints of fresh almond. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, suave, gourmande, well-built and offers tension, unctuosity, a fine juiciness, delicacy, softness as well as a fine minerality. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon, fleshy peach, quenette and small notes of juicy / fleshy mirabelle plum associated with discreet touches of beeswax, ripe almond, melon and racy minerality

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Grüner Veltliner Frechau

Score: 15.5/20 (90-91/100)

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Winzer Krems - Kremser Wachtberg Grüner Veltliner 2016

Kremstal Reserve

The nose is fresh, aromatic and elegant. It reveals notes of peach and flowers (peach blossoms, honevsuckle) combined with touches of fresh lemon zest, white fruit and flint. The palate is fruity, suave, well-balanced and offers a small fat, dynamism, a beautiful tension, a small juiciness, finesse, a good structure, a beautiful grain as well as a fine acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed peach / Brugnon and crushed red apple associated with small notes of quince, mirabelle plum as well as fine touches of flowers and citrus. Good length. Score : 15+/20 (89-90/100)

Zöhrer - Urknall - Grüner Veltliner 2016 Vision Krems - Rieden Selektion Kremstal DAC Reserve

The nose is fruity and offers a fine juiciness. It reveals notes of juicy lemon and juicy clementine combined with small notes of peach and apple as well as a discreet hint of flowers and an imperceptible hint of quince. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers suavity, a good definition, a fine mineral frame, a fine unctuosity, a small tension, freshness, a good guideline as well as a slight fleshiness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed apple, crushed peach and small notes of citrus zest associated with a touch of flowers and fine toasted hints / vanilla on the finish / persistence.

Score : 14.5/20 (88/100)

Weingut Müller-Grossmann - Grüner Veltliner 2016 Alte Reben Kremstal DAC Reserve

The nose is fruity, fresh, well-built, racy and offers elegance. It reveals notes of flat peach and crunchy apple associated with small notes of flowers / lily of the valley as well as hints of citrus and an imperceptible hint of pineapple. The mouth is fresh, juicy, well-balanced and offers a beautiful acid frame, suavity, a good definition, roundness and gourmandise. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy apple, crunchy flat peach and small notes of pear, juicy citrus associated with a subtle / discreet hint of pineapple and flowers. Good length and good persistence. Score : 15.25+/20 (90-91/100)

Nigl - Privat Riesling 2016 - Ried Pellingen 1 ÖT.W

Kremstal

The nose is fruity, elegant, well defined, precise and offers a small juiciness. It reveals notes of quince, flowers, crunchy peach and citrus associated with a discreet hint of spices as well as an imperceptible touch of gray pepper. The palate is juicy, fruity, well-balanced, precise, elegant, racy and offers a good definition, a beautiful acid frame as well as finesse. On the palate this wine expresses notes of lemon, tangerine and small notes of crunchy vine peach associated with small touches of pineapple, flowers as well as discreet hints of zest, crushed Granny Smith apple and an imperceptible touch of licorice (in the background). Good length. Score : 16.75/20 (93-94/100)

Forstreiter - Grüner Veltliner 2017 Ried Kremser Kogl Kremstal

The nose is a bit tight. It reveals notes of apple, peach skin and small notes of tangerine, fresh lemon associated with a varietal hint as well as a discreet hint of flint. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, a bit tight and offers a good definition, a fine acid frame, suavity, fat, a fine gourmandise, tension, a fine unctuosity, a good guideline as well as a slightly tight grain. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon, ripe apple and small notes of green peach associated with discreet touches of zest, flint and discreet varietal touches. Good length. Score : 15.25/20 (90/100)

Rainer Wess - Grüner Veltliner 2016 Steiner Kögl 1.0TW. Kremstal DAC Rerserve

The nose is fruity, well-balanced, well-built, elegant and offers freshness. It reveals notes of lemon and white flowers (lemon, white lilac) combined with small notes of crunchy vine peach, ripe / fresh zest as well as fine / imperceptible touches of

pineapple / quince (in the background). The palate is fruity, well-balanced, elegant, well-defined, precise, clean and offers a fine acid frame, juiciness, gourmandise, a beautiful roundness and unctuosity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy lemon, ripe / juicy apple and small notes of juicy peach associated with discreet touches of quince, beeswax and almond. Good length. Good persistence. Score : $16.75 \pm 20(94/100)$

Stift Goettweig - Riesling 2016 Ried Pfaffenberg 10TW Kremstal

The nose is fruity, juicy, elegant and offers a very fine richness / fleshiness. It reveals notes of ripe lemon, crushed pear and lychee combined with discreet touches of ripe mandarin, crushed brugnon as well as a hint of quince and vanilla. The palate is fruity, elegant, well-balanced, well-built, racy and offers a beautiful acid frame, a beautiful definition, dynamism, liveliness as well as a beautiful juiciness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon, crunchy pineapple and juicy apple associated with small notes of vine peach, small touches of apricot / mango as well as a discreet hint of lime zest and minerality (in the background). Good length and good persistence.

Score : 17+/20 (94-95/100)

Josef & Philipp Brundl Mayer - Riesling 2016 Ried Steingraben

Kremstal DAC Reserve

The nose is fruity, well-structured, racy and juicy. It reveals notes of rose, lilac and citrus associated with small notes of guenette, zest as well as fine touches of lychee and fresh almond. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a beautiful juiciness, a beautiful freshness, a small dynamism, a beautiful fat, a beautiful roundness, delicacy as well as a fine unctuosity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed Brugnon, Williams pear, litchi and fine notes of quenette combined with touches of ripe grapefruit, mandarin / lime zest, flowers / rose, crunchy pineapple and racy minerality. Good length. Gourmandise on the finish / persistence. Score : 16 + 20 (92 - 93 / 100)

Nigl - Grüner Veltliner 2016 Privat - Ried Pellingen 1.OTW. Kremstal

The nose is finely gourmande and slightly fleshy. It reveals notes of flowers (white flowers, rose), lychee and white fruits associated with discreet hints of mandarin zest and lemon zest. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, racy and offers a small juiciness, a good definition, a fine acid frame, a beautiful minerality, freshness as well as a beautiful grain. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy lemon and tangerine zest associated with small notes of crushed peach, fine floral notes as well as subtle hints of lychee and quenette. Good length and good persistence. Score : 15.25+/20 (90-91/100)

Weingut Stadt Krems - Riesling 2016 Ried Grillenparz 1ÖT.W Kremstal

The nose is fruity and elegant. It reveals fine notes of lychee, rose and small notes of grapefruit associated with hints of citrus mesocarp as well as discreet hints of pineapple and an imperceptible hint of beeswax. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, elegant and offers a fine acid frame, a small juiciness, straightness, precision, gourmandise, a very fine unctuosity (in the background), a beautiful freshness, juiciness as well as a good definition. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy lemon, fleshy / juicy mandarin and pineapple associated with small touches of crushed vine peach, quenette as well as a discreet hint of citrus mesocarp and an imperceptible hint of flowers (in the background).

Score : 15.75/20 (91-92/100)

NIEDERÖSTERREICH

Birgit Eichinger - Roter Veltliner 2017 Ried Stangl Niederösterreich

The nose is beautifully fresh, relatively fruity and offers a fine minerality. It reveals notes of ripe lemon, ripe tangerine and small notes of pineapple combined with a touch of sweet pink grapefruit and a touch of vine peach. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good definition, a fine acid frame as well as tension. On

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the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy / ripe lemon, fleshy / juicy apple and small notes of sweet grapefruit combined with a touch of zest, ripe seeds and very discreet touches of flowers (on the finish). Good length. Score : 15.25/20 (90/100)

Souveräner Malteser Ritterorden - Grüner Veltliner 2017 Ried Hundschupfen Niederösterreich

The nose is fresh and offers a fine concentration. It reveals notes of lychee, flowers / peach blossom and small notes of peach associated with touches of vanilla and a subtle hint of sweet spice. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, well-structured and offers a fine freshness, an acid frame, a small fat, tension as well as a (very) slight unctuosity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of litchi, crunchy / juicy flat peach and small notes of lemon zest, juicy citrus associated with an imperceptible hint of quenette and very discreet toasted hints / vanilla.

Score : 14.5/20 (88/100)

Dolle - Grauburgunder 2016 Symbiose Niederösterreich

The nose is slightly fleshy. It reveals notes of vanilla and fleshy white fruits combined with discreet hints of crushed peach, a subtle hint of lychee as well as an imperceptible hint of flint, crushed yellow fruits and almonds. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers juiciness, a good definition, unctuousity, precision, a fine mineral frame, gourmandise and freshness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed vine peach, vanilla and small notes of crushed pear associated with subtle touches of quenette, citrus as well as discreet hints of lychee, rose and crushed mirabelle plum. Good persistence. Score : 14.75+/20 (89/100)

Nigl - Grüner Veltliner 2013 Trockenbeerenauslesse

Niederösterreich

The nose is fruity, rich and offers power. It reveals notes of marmalade, crushed dry apricot and crushed pear combined with hints of candied lemon, discreet hints of spices, Granny Smith apple and a subtle hint of nutmeg. The palate is fruity and offers juiciness, unctuousity, tension, fat, a good balance, a beautiful acidity, gourmandise as well as a fine straightness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of candied lemon, candied peach and quince associated with small notes of roasted pineapple, mirabelle plum, crushed dry mango / apricot, hints of honey, a touch of crystallized mandarin as well as discreet hints of almond / hazelnut, spices and an imperceptible hint of flowers (in the background). Good length and good persistence.

Score : 15.25+/20 (90-91/100)

WACHAU WINES

Weingut Jäger - Riesling Smaragd 2016 Ried Achleiten

Wachau

The nose is fruity, juicy, well-built and offers a beautiful grain. It reveals notes of juicy notes of lemon, lychee and rose combined with small hints of pink grapefruit and subtle touches of vine peach. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good definition, a beautiful acid frame, juiciness, roundness, a small fat as well as tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of lemon zest, lychee and flowers (honeysuckle, rose, lily of the valley) combined with small notes of juicy / ripe pink grapefruit, citrus mesocarp and discreet touches of exotic fruit and apple. Good length and good persistence.

Score: 15.75/20 (91-92/100)

Alzinger - Riesling Smaragd 2016 Ried Loibenberg Wachau

The nose is fruity and slightly intense / powerful. It reveals notes of green apple and crunchy peach associated with touches of juicy citrus, racy minerality as well as small hints of lily of the valley and a hint of lemon peel. The palate is juicy, fruity, well-balanced, racy and offers a beautiful freshness, a racy minerality, a good structure as well as a (very) slight fleshiness / gourmandise. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy lemon, juicy tangerine and small notes of crushed apple associated with hints of crunchy peach, lily of the valley, racy minerality as well as a discreet hint of zest. Good length. There are a touch of lime zest, green apple and an imperceptible touch of fresh green almond on the finish. $Score \ : 15.5/20 \ (90-91/100)$

Domäne Wachau - Riesling Smaragd 2016 - Ried Achleiten Wachau

The nose is aromatic, racy, complex and offers a fine richness as well as a beautiful finesse of the grain. It reveals notes of ripe apple, ripe pear, vine peach and small notes of quince associated with hints of ripe apricot, subtle hints of citrus, lemon / lime zest (in the background) as well as discreet hints of flowers and an imperceptible touch of spices (in the background). The palate is fruity, well-balanced, racy, precise, clean and offers a good definition, a beautiful mineral frame as well as a fine acidity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe citrus and juicy / ripe apple associated with small notes of peach, pear as well as fine touches of flowers and lemon zest. Good length. Beautiful acidulous and gourmande persistence. A great wine !

Score : $16.75 \pm 20(94/100)$

Jamek - Riesling Smaragd 2015 Ried Klaus Wachau

The nose is aromatic, elegant, racy / mineral, well-built and slightly gourmande. It reveals notes of quince, mirabelle and small notes of roasted pineapple associated with citrus, lilac and beeswax. The palate is fruity, elegant, well-balanced, racy and offers a beautiful definition, a beautiful precision, a fine suavity, juiciness as well as a beautiful finesse of the grain. On the palate this wine expresses notes of quince, roasted pineapple, dry apricot and slight notes of mirabelle plum associated with hints of citrus (mandarin, lemon, grapefruit) as well as discreet touches of beeswax and an imperceptible toasted hint (in the background) Good length and beautiful persistence. There a hint of hazelnut on the aftertaste. Score : 17+/20 (94-95/100)

Weingut Eder - Riesling Smaragd 2016 Wachau

The nose is fruity and racy. The wine needs to be served in carafe. It reveals notes of ripe lemon, ripe apple, zest, tangerine and flowers combined with notes of quince as well as subtle hints of yellow berries and spices. The mouth is fruity, beautifully juicy, racy, well-balanced and offers a beautiful acid frame, gourmandise, a fine suavity, a (very) slight unctuosity as well as a good definition. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy lemon, zest and small notes of juicy citrus, fleshy peach associated with fine touches of pineapple, quince, exotic fruit / lychee as well as a discret hint of beeswax. Good length.

Score : 15.5/20 (90-91/100)

Pichler - Riesling Smaragd 2015 Loibner Loibenberg Wachau

The nose is fresh, mineral and offers a very fine concentration (in the background). It reveals notes of minerality, fresh citrus and fine touches of fleshy mirabelle associated with an imperceptible hint of beeswax. The wine needs to be served in carafe. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, racy and offers dynamism, tension, a beautiful structure, a small juiciness, a (very) slight unctuosity, a fine suavity as well as an acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon, quince and small notes of apricot associated with small touches of crushed mirabelle plum, exotic fruits and an imperceptible touch of beeswax (in the background). Good length. Good persistence (with touches of juicy fruits / acidulous citrus). Score : $15.75 \pm /20 (91-92/100)$

Machherndl - Grüner Veltliner 2011 Smaragd Wachau

The nose is fruity, fresh and offers fleshiness as well as a small unctuosity / gourmandise. It reveals notes of quince, dried yellow fruits and dried peach combined with a hint of roasted pineapple, flowers, beeswax as well as an imperceptible hint of vanilla. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good definition, a beautiful freshness, a fine straightness, tension, a very fine unctuosity as well as a fine acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon, quince and small notes of kumquat associated with touches of dried yellow grapes, crushed brugnon, roasted pineapple, beeswax as well as a discreet toasted hint and flowers.

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Good length. Good aromatic persistence. Score : 15.5+/20 (91/100)

Pichler-Krutzler - Riesling 2016 - Ried Loibenberg Wachau

The nose is fruity, elegant, racy, finely precise, beautifully built and offers juiciness as well as a fine intensity. It reveals notes of ripe lemon, vine peach and small notes of citrus associated with hints of racy minerality as well as discreet hints of flowers, exotic fruits, guince and a very discreet hint of spices. The palate is fruity, juicy, well-balanced, complete, fine, gourmande and offers a beautiful suavity, a beautiful definition as well as a fine unctuosity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy vine peach and small notes of fleshy pear associated with touches of quince, roasted pineapple, touches of racy minerality as well as discreet touches of mandarin, kumquat and an imperceptible hint of almond in the background / finish. Good length.

Score : 16.75/20 (93-94/100)

Atzberg - Grüner Veltliner 2016 -St. Michael Steilterrassen Wachau

The nose is fruity and offers a fine intensity as well as concentration. It reveals notes of ripe peach and white fruit (pear ...) associated with a discreet hint of fresh citrus and a very discreet touch of white pepper (in the background). The palate is fruity, balanced and offers juiciness, a good definition, a small fat, suavity, a small juiciness, minerality, dynamism as well as a beautiful guideline. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy apple, ripe / juicy peach and small notes of quenette associated with discreet touches of ripe citrus (tangerine, grapefruit) as well as a discreet hint of citrus mesocarp and a discreet hint of juicy Williams pear. Good length.

Score : 15.5+/20 (91/100)

WAGRAM WINES

Nimmervoll - Grüner Veltliner 2017 Ried Schafflerberg

Wagram

The nose is fruity and juicy. It reveals notes of juicy lemon and white flowers (lemon blossom ...) associated with small notes of juicy vine peach, quenette and an imperceptible touch of mandarin zest. The palate is fruity, juicy, well-balanced and offers roundness, suavity, a fine acid frame as well as a fine tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe / juicy lemon, fleshy / juicy vine peach and small notes of flowers associated with a very discreet hint of crunchy brugnon as well as an imperceptible touch of mandarin. Good length.

Score : 14.75/20 (88-89/100)

Léopold Blauensteiner - Grüner Veltliner 2017 Ried Fumberg Wagram

The nose is fresh, juicy and finely tight. It reveals notes of juicy / ripe lemon, ripe tangerine and brugnon combined with a hint of Williams pear as well as a subtle hint of quince. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a good definition, a fine acid frame, roundness, fat as well as beautiful guideline / dynamism. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy / juicy brugnon, crushed pear and small notes citrus (lemon, mandarin) associated with a subtle hint of pineapple and quince / beeswax. Good length.

Score : 15.75/20 (91-92/100)

Weinhof Grill - Grüner Veltliner 2017 - Ried Brunnthal

Wagram

The nose is fruity and offers a fine richness as well as a slight concentration / power. It reveals notes of lemon, ripe / juicy peach and racy minerality associated with discreet hints of mirabelle plums and beeswax. The mouth is fresh, mineral, wellbalanced, (very) slightly tight and offers a good definition, a fine acid / juicy frame, a small gourmandise, a small suavity, juiciness, a good definition and roundness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon, juicy apple and small notes of vine peach, juicy pear associated with discreet hints of zest, minerality and sweet spices (in the background). Good length. Score : 15.25+/20 (90-91/100)

Thomas Stopfer - Grüner Veltliner 2017 Ried Steinberg Wagram

The nose is aromatic, racy and offers intensity as well as complexity. It reveals notes of flowers (white flowers, rose, lily of the valley) and citrus associated with small notes of green apple and an imperceptible touch of pepper (in the background). The palate is fruity, juicy, mineral, well-balanced and offers good definition, a fine acid frame, finesse, precision, tension as well as a good guideline. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon, zest of lime / mandarin and flowers (white flowers, rose) associated with small touches of ripe / crushed flat peach, flint as well as discreet touches of exotic fruit (in the background). Good length and good persistence. Gourmandise on the aftertaste. There are hints of fresh fruit, flowers and a hint of fresh almond on the aftertaste. Score : 15.5+/20 (91/100)

Waldschütz - Roter Veltliner 2017 Ried Goldberg

Wagram Reserve

The nose is aromatic and offers a fine concentration and a small power. It reveals notes of mirabelle, quince and small notes of citrus associated with touches of green apple / flowers and racy minerality. The palate is fruity, juicy and offers a good definition, dynamism, a good acid frame, a small fat, a small fleshiness and minerality. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe / juicy lemon and juicy quince associated with small notes of mirabelle plum, mandarin, juicy apple as well as a discreet varietal hint and fine hints of minerality. Good length. Score : 15.25/20 (90/100)

Weingut Familie Schuster - Grüner Veltliner 2017 Alte Reben Wagram

The nose is fruity, well-built and offerss a small incisive side. It reveals notes of lemon and ripe grapefruit associated with small notes of zest, peach, flint as well as an imperceptible varietal hint. The palate is fruity, gourmande, discreetly"perlante" (discreet sparkling sensation) and offers a fine suavity, a good definition, a very fine grain, tension, finesse, roundness as well as an acid / citrus frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon, grapefruit and small notes of Granny Smith apple associated with hints of pink grapefruit as well as a discreet hint of tangerine, flowers, zest, flint, peach and an imperceptible touch of fresh almond (in the background). Score : 15.5 ± 20 (91/100)

Kolkmann - Grüner Veltliner 2016 Brunnthal Rererve

Wagram

The nose is aromatic, mineral, racy and offers a fine richness. It reveals notes of ripe lemon and ripe peach combined with fine notes of pineapple, flowers, racy minerality and fresh zest. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, suave, gourmande, precise and offers a good definition, freshness, volume as well as a fine unctuosity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy apple, crushed brugnon, crushed pear and juicy citrus (tangerine, lemon) combined with touches of juicy / crushed peach as well as a discreet hint of flowers, (very) slight hints of zest (in the background) and slight hints of vanilla. Good length and good persistence. The finish is a bit tight.

Score: 15.25+/20 (90-91/100)

Stefan Bauer - Grüner Veltliner 2017 Bromberg Wagram

The nose is fresh, fruity, well-structured and slightly concentrated. It reveals notes of juicy / fresh lemon, apple and small notes of fleshy peach combined with slight touches of fresh lemon zest. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, discreetly"perlante" (discreet sparkling sensation) and offers a beautiful acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy lemon, juicy mandarin and small notes zest associated with touches of fleshy / crushed brugnon, a subtle hint of juicy grapes as well as an imperceptible hint of ripe seed and crunchy pineapple. Good length.

Score: 15.75/20 (91-92/100)

Italian Piemonte

RED WINES FROM PIEMONTE

Pelassa - Sot 2014 Nebbiolo d'Alba Sot

The nose is fruity, racy, finely powerful and offers elegance. It reveals notes of wild red berries and strawberry combined with hints of garrigue / laurel, cherry / cassis as well as subtle touches of spices, Sichuan pepper and a very discreet hint of violet. The mouth is fruity, juicy, racy, beautifully-built and offers a beautiful suavity, gourmandise, a fine straightness, a small fat, a small unctuosity, a small freshness as well as a beautiful grain. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy raspberry and small notes of cherry, juicy cassis associated with fine touches of violet, black cherry skin, toasted oak, chocolate as well as discreet hints of garrigue, sweet spices and an imperceptible hint of crushed hazelnut (in the background). Tannins are fine and (very) slightly chewy. Good length.

Score : 16.25/20 (92-93/100)

Poderi Moretti - Montevada 2013 Langhe

The nose is aromatic, racy and offers a fine gourmandise as well as a fine complexity. It reveals notes of ripe / juicy red ber-

ries, cherry and small notes of wild blackberry combined with hints of chocolate, nutmeg and sweet spices. The palate is fruity, mineral, wellbalanced, racy, precise and offers a fine suavity, a small straightness as well as a small fat. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe wild red berries, ripe wild raspberry and small notes of blackberry associated with hints of fleshy small black fruits, chocolate, thyme / olive, racy minerality as well as a very discreet hint of saline minerality and subtle hints of sweet spices. Tannins are fine and a bit young.

Score : 15.5/20 (90-91/100)

Poderi Moretti - Occhetti 2013 Nebbiolo Langhe

The nose is fruity and offers a fine concentration as well as elegance. It reveals notes of red berries and raspberry associated with small notes of blackberry, garrigue, racy minerality, a hint of spices as well as an imperceptible

touch of flowers and tobacco (in the background). The palate is fruity, juicy, well-balanced, racy and offers a fine freshness, minerality, a fine acid frame, gourmandise, dynamism, elegance as well as a good structure. On the palate this wine expresses notes of wild raspberry, blackberry and small notes of berries associated with a hint of cherry, small juicy red berries as well as fine touches of sweet spices, laurel / olive and a very discreet / imperceptible hint of vanilla (in the background). Tannins are fine and very finely chewy. Good length.

Score : 15.75+/20 (91-92/100)

Curto - Nebbiolo 2015

Langhe

The nose is aromatic, racy and offers power. It reveals notes of black berries, wild strawberry, Bigarreau cherry and wild berries associated with hints of gray pepper, garrigue, crushed red berries and discreet hints of spices. The palate is fruity, juicy, elegant, well-balanced and offers a beautiful acid / juicy frame, suavity, precision, a beautiful definition / structure, a (very) fine unctuosity, gourmandise as well as a slightly tight grain. On the palate this wine expresses notes of wild strawberry, Bigarreau cherry and small notes of wild red berries associated with fine touches of garrigue, flowers, racy minerality, discreet touches of sweet spices, chocolate, vanilla and an imperceptible touch of Cuben pepper. Tannins are fine and young. Good length. There is a very discreet hint of ripe almond on the persistence (brings gourmandise). Score : 16.25+/20 (93/100)

Cascina Bruni - Sot-Monopole 2015 Langhe

The nose is aromatic, elegant and offers concentration, gourmandise, a fine complexity and a small richness. It reveals notes of wild berries, Bigarreau cherry and small notes of wild strawberry associated with small / fine toasted touches, chocolate, garrigue as well as discreet hints of spices / nutmeg. The palate is elegant, precise, elegant and offers minerality, a fine straightness, juiciness, a good definition, a very fine unctuosity, a beautiful structure, a good freshness as well as tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of wild strawberry, black cherry and small notes of blackberry associated with fine touches of black berries, fine touches of toasted bread, tonka bean as well as fine hints of garrigue and an imperceptible roasting hint. Tannins are fine, (very) slightly tight and (very) slightly firm. There is an imperceptible touch of almond on the finish / aftertaste. Fine chews on the persistence. Score : 16.75+/20 (94/100)

Emilio Vada 2016 Langhe Nebbiolo

The nose is fruity, elegant, well-balanced and offers finesse, a fine intensity as well as a beautiful grain. It reveals notes of ripe cassis and ripe wild red berries

> associated with hints of garrigue / olive and dry local forest soil, hints of dried flowers as well as subtle hints of sweet spices and a very discreet hint of Cuben pepper. The palate is well-balanced, racy, well-built, finely powerful and offers a fine freshness, a fine minerality, a beautiful guideline, a good definition, precision, a fine concentration, dynamism, a beautiful fat, a fine unctuosity as well as gourmandise. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe red berries, blackberry and small notes of ripe cassis associated with small touches of minerality, garrigue (olive, rosemary ...) as well as subtle / discreet touches of spices and Cuben pepper. Tannins are well-built, elegant and straight. Beautiful and gourmande persistence. There is a touch of chocolate on the aftertaste. Score : 15.75+/20 (91-92/100)

Poderi Moretti - Pulciano 2010 Roero Riserva

The nose is aromatic, concentrated, elegant, fine, slightly tight and a bit powerful. The wine needs to be served in carafe. It reveals notes of

wild berries, blackberries, racy minerality and Bigarreau cherry associated with small notes of garrigue, wild strawberry, a touch of toasted oak as well as a hint of gray pepper, sage / dry local forest soil and spices. The palate is fruity, fresh, mineral (beautiful minerality), well-balanced, racy, complex and offers a small tension, suavity, a beautiful juiciness, finesse, precision as well as a beautiful elegance. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy blackberry, ripe / juicy wild red berries and small notes of wild strawberry, cherry associated with small touches of garrigue, dry forest floor as well as discreet touches of spices, a subtle hint of sage / rosemary, an imperceptible touch of pepper and chocolate. Tannins are fine and (very) slightly firm. Good length. Score : 17/20(94/100)

Poderi Moretti - Ginis 2011 Roero Riserva

The nose is aromatic, racy and offers a fine concentration as well as power. It reveals notes of ripe red berries, dried wild strawberries, blackberries and small notes of racy minerality associated with touches of undergrowth, sweet spices as well as a hint of gray pepper, caramelization and discreet hints of vanilla. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, racy and offers good definition, freshness, a fine mineral frame as well as a fine tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy raspberry, juicy blackberry and small red berries associated with small touches of undergrowth, spices as well as a very discreet hint of caramelization and a hint of mushroom. Tannins are fine and finely chewy. Good length and beautiful persistence.

Score : 16.25/20 (92-93/100)



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Poderi Moretti - Benedet 2011

Roero Riserva

The nose is fruity, aromatic, elegant and offers power as well as generosity. It reveals notes of wild strawberry, fresh wild raspberry and small notes of cassis, elderberries combined with hints of olive tree, laurel, black olive, racy minerality, dry local forest soil as well as slight hints of spices. The wine needs to be served in carafe. The palate is fruity, elegant and offers juiciness / gourmandise, suavity, a beautiful structure as well as a small fat. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe/juicy redcurrant, ripe wild berries, Bigarreau cherry and wild raspberry combined with fine / discreet touches of spices, garrigue, fleshy black olive, sweet spices as well as a touch of nutmeg, tonka bean and an imperceptible hint of dry local forest. Tannins are fine and elegant. Fine chews on the persistence. Beautiful and gourmande persistence. Score : $16.25 \pm 20 (93/100)$

Pelassa - Antaniolo 2013

Roero Riserva

The nose is aromatic, elegant and offers depthness as well as gourmandise. The wine needs to be served in carafe. It reveals notes of fleshy raspberry and wild strawberry combined with touches of garrigue / violet as well as hints of caramelization, chocolate, toasted oak, sweet spices and a very discreet hint of toasted almond. The palate is fruity, juicy and offers a fine fleshiness, gourmandise, a beautiful suavity, a fine acid frame, a beautiful juiciness, a beautiful roundness, volume, racy minerality as well as tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy raspberry, Bigarreau cherry and small notes of wild strawberry, small juicy black berries associated with discreet hints of garrigue, chocolate, toasted / caramelized oak, toasted almond as well as a very discreet hint of vanilla. Tannins are well-built. Good length. The finish is finely powerful. Good persistence.

Score : 15.5/20 (90-91/100)

Cascina Bruni 2015

Barbera d'Alba Superiore

The nose is fine, complex and offers a small gourmandie. The wine needs to be served in carafe. It reveals notes of blackberry, crushed berries and small notes of cherry associated with fine toasted touches, garrigue, nutmeg, spices as well as a discreet hint of dried black olive and menthol. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, well-defined, elegant, (very) slightly tight and offers a small suavity, finesse as well as tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy Bigarreau cherry, ripe/juicy wild black berries and small notes of wild strawberry associated with a touch of raspberry, subtle hints of sweet spices, toasted bread as well as a hint of dried black olive, garrigue and a very discreet / imperceptible hint of coffee (in the background). Tannins are fine, slightly chewy as well as elegant. Score : 16.25+/20 (93/100)

Emilio Vada 2017 Barbera d'Asti

The nose is fruity, fine, elegant, gourmand, racy, finely powerful and offers depthness as well as a beautiful grain. It reveals notes of wild black berries and cassis combined with small notes of strawberry, ripe cherry as well as a hint of flowers, spices, tonka beans and very discreet touches of racy minerality (in the background). The palate is fruity, well-balanced, finely powerful and offers juiciness, minerality, straightness, a good structure as well as a fine acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of wild raspberry, wild blackberry and small notes of cherry associated with a discreet hint of wild berries, plum as well as discreet touches of minerality (almost saline) and very discreet / imperceptible hints of garrigue (in the background). Tannins are fine and well-built. Good persistence.

Score : 15.75+/20 (91-92/100)

Pelassa 2013 Barolo

The nose is elegant, gourmand, racy, fine, slightly powerful and offers a small complexity. It reveals notes of blackberry, cassis and small notes of ripe red berries associated with fine touches of spices, toasted oak as well as a touch of gray pepper, black olive and an imperceptible hint of laurel. The palate is fruity, racy and offers fleshiness, unctuousity, a fine freshness, a racy minerality, a beautiful precision, a beautiful grain as well as an acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of blackberry, wild strawberry and small notes of fleshy wild red berries associated with fine / small touches of cherry, sweet spices, black olive, toasted / caramelized oak as well as subtle / discreet hints of chocolate (in the background) and a very discreet hint of laurel (in the background). Tannins are fine, a bit firm as well as a bit tight. Good length. (2020+) Score : $16.5 \pm 20 (93 - 94/100)$

Cascina Bruni - Marialunga 2014 Barolo

The nose is racy, finely powerful and offers a good structure and elegance. The wine needs to be served in carafe. It reveals notes of wild black berries, blackberries and small notes of wild strawberry combined with touches of ripe red cherry, fine laurel / garrigue, sweet spices as well as a discreet hint of Sichuan pepper and a very discreet toasted hint (in the background). The palate is fruity, juicy, wellbalanced, gourmande and offers a good definition, minerality, suavity as well as a good structure. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy raspberry, juicy strawberry and small notes of red berries, cassis associated with small / fine touches of black olives, laurel / olive tree as well as discreet hints of sweet spices, caramelized oak and an imperceptible hint of toasted almond. Tannins are fine, young and (very) slightly tight. Good length. Small chews and gourmandise on the finish. There is a hint of tonka bean on the persistence. (2022+) Score : 17/20 (94/100)

Ciabot Berton - Roggeri 2013 Barolo

The nose is aromatic, finely powerful and offers elegance and concentration. It reveals notes of blackberry and wild berries associated with fine touches of garrigue, ripe wild strawberry, blackberry as well as touches of spices, violet and a hint of gray pepper. The mouth is juicy, fresh, well-balanced, racy, mineral, well-structured and offers a good definition, a fine acid frame, finesse, a good suavity, finesse, a beautiful roundness, generosity and tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of wild blackberry, wild strawberry and small wild red berries associated with fine touches of sweet spices, vanilla / toasted touches, garrigue, a hint of black olive as well as a very discreet touch of gray pepper and violet. Tannins are fine and (very) slightly firm. Good persistence. There is a discreet touch of hazelnut on the aftertaste. Score : 16.25+/20 (93/100)

Curto - Arborina 2014 Barolo

The nose is aromatic, finely powerful and offers a fine concentration. It reveals notes of wild berries, blackberries, wild strawberries and small notes of olive / garrigue associated with a touch of zan, spices as well as a discreet touch of pepper, black olive and an imperceptible touch of Ceylon tea / chocolate. The palate is fruity, fleshy, well-balanced, slightly tight and offers a fine freshness, a good definition, suavity, a good structure, precision, a beautiful roundness as well as a beautiful finesse. On the palate this wine expresses notes of wild raspberry, wild red berries and small notes of strawberry, garrigue (olive, laurel) associated with a hint of black olive, racy minerality as well as a very discreet hint of dry local forest soil and with fine hints of sweet spices / toasted oak. Tannins are fine, slightly firm and young. Good persistence. There are slight hints of toasted almond, fleshy fruits, liquorice and an imperceptible touch of tonka bean on the persistence. (2022+) Score : 16+/20 (92-93/100)

Cascina Bruni - Batistot 2011 Barolo

The nose is aromatic and offers a fine intensity and a small concentration. The wine needs to be served in carafe. It reveals notes of ripe redcurrant, ripe cassis and small notes of cherry associated with fine touches of flowers, discreet hints of garrigue as well as subtle / discreet hints of zan, racy minerality, sweet spices and an imperceptible hint of tobacco (in the background). The palate is fruity, juicy, well-balanced, beautifully fleshy, fine, elegant, racy and offers a beautiful grain, fat, an acid frame, tension as well as a fine tension. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy blackberry, crushed wild strawberry and small notes of raspberry associated with discreet touches of cassis / elderberries, sweet spices as well as slight hints of garrigue, tonka bean, almond and a very discreet hint of local forest soil. The finish is slightly powerful. Good persistence. Score : $17.25 \pm 20(95/100)$

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Ciabot Berton - Rocchettevino 2013 Barolo

The nose is racy and offers a fine juiciness. The wine needs to be served in carafe. It reveals notes of fleshy strawberry, blackberry, sweet spices and small notes of small wild berries associated with touches of undergrowth / local forest associated with fine touches of garrigue / grove, racy minerality as well as a very discreet touch of white pepper and licorice. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, suave, harmonious and offers a fine juiciness, a good definition, finesse, minerality, a small tension, a small fat as well as a small freshness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy blackberry, juicy cassis and small notes of riper cherry associated with fine touches of small berries, sweet spices, undergrowth / local forest soil as well as fine / discreet touches of almond and an imperceptible touch of gray pepper. Tannins are fine and (very) slightly dry. Good length.

Score : 15.5/20 (90-91/100)

Pelassa - San Lorenzo di Verduno 2013 Barolo

The nose is aromatic, elegant, gourmet, racy, fresh and offers complexity and finesse. The wine needs to be served in carafe. It reveals notes of crushed red berries, racy minerality, garrigue / grove and fresh cherry associated with fine touches of crushed blackberry as well as discreet hints of spices and a hint of Sichuan pepper. The mouth is juicy, fine, elegant, racy, well-balanced and offers a good definition, a fine mineral frame, a fine acidity (in the background) as well as freshness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of flesh / fresh raspberry, wild strawberry and red berries juicy / fresh associated with fine touches of small black berries, fleshy blackberry, red cherry, garrigue, black olive, subtle hints of racy minerality as well as a very discreet hint of dark chocolate and toasted almond (on the finish). Tannins are fine and slightly chewy. Good length and beautiful persistence. Score : 17.5/20 (95/100)

Emilio Vada 2017

Dolcetto d'Alba

The nose is fruity, well-balanced and offers concentration. It reveals notes of blackberry and cassis / wild red berries associated with small notes of gray pepper, blueberry as well as discreet hints of flowers / violet and spices. The palate is fruity, mineral, well-balanced, (very) slightly tight and offers tension, a good definition, a beautiful texture, a fine density, freshness as well as an acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe / juicy red fruits and red berries associated with small notes of blueberry, flowers, a very discreet touch of gray pepper as well as subtle hints of spices, racy minerality and very discreet hints of chocolate. Tannins are a bit firm. Good length. Score : 15.25/20 (90/100)

Cascina Bruni - 2016 Dolcetto D'alba

The nose is aromatic, well-built and offers elegance. The wine needs to be served in carafe. It reveals notes of crushed blackberry, crushed cassis and small wild red berries associated with fine touches of olive, rosemary / garrigue, chocolate and a very discreet touch of spices / nutmeg. The palate is fresh, fruity, well-balanced, well-built, precise and offers juiciness, tension, a beautiful definition, suavity, delicacy as well as roundness. On the palate this wine expresses notes of crushed raspberry, cassis and wild strawberry combined with touches of Bigarreau cherry, tonka bean, sweet spices, black olive and a very discreet hint of rosemary / sage / laurel (in the background). Tannins are fine and a bit firm. Good length. (2020+)

Score : 16.25/20 (92-93/100)

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Poderi Moretti - Occhetti 2016 Roero Arneis

The nose is fruity, juicy, racy and offers a fine straightness, elegance as well as a fine minerality (in the background). It reveals notes of ripe lemon, pear and small notes of quince associated with a hint of kumquat and a discreet hint of orange. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers suavity, fat, a small tension, a small aerial side, concentration, a good structure, a good freshness, a good roundness, a beautiful definition, a melodious side as well as a beautiful grain. On the palate this wine expresses notes of quince, fleshy mirabelle plum and small notes of apple associated with small / fine touches of kumquat, lemon as well as an imperceptible hint of fleshy peach (in the background) and racy minerality. Good length and persistence. There is an imperceptible tannic sensation on the finish. Score : 16+/20 (92-93/100)

Pelassa - San Vito 2017 Roero Arneis

The nose is aromatic and offers gourmandise as well as a fine intensity. It reveals notes of ripe lemon, ripe pink grapefruit and small notes of peach associated with touches of rose / flowers, lychee as well as an imperceptible hint of grapefruit mesocarp. The palate is fruity, juicy, well-balanced and offers gourmandise, precision, a small dynamism, an acid frame, tension, juiciness as well as a very fine grain. On the palate this wine expresses notes of ripe lemon and ripe pink grapefruit associated with small notes of peach, lychee as well as hints of rose, apple and a very discreet hint of juicy mandarin (in the background). Good length.

Score : 15.5+/20 (91/100)

Piancanelli 2017 Moscato d'Asti

The nose is fruity, gourmand and well-built. It reveals notes of crushed pear, stewed peach and candied lemon associated with small touches of exotic fruits, sweet pink grapefruit and very discreet hints of flowers, fresh / fleshy apple and an imperceptible hint of almond. The palate is fruity, precise, straight and offers a beautiful fat, tension, a beautiful balance, a beautiful gourmandise, a small freshness, a fine juiciness as well as a small / fine acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy pear, stewed peach and candied lemon associated with small touches of crystallized clementine, sweet pink grapefruit as well as fine hints of roasted pineapple, kiwi, exotic fruits and flowers. Good length.

Score : 15.75 + 20(91 - 92/100)

Emilio Vada 2017 Moscoto d'Asti

Moscato d'Asti

The nose is fruity, gournand and offers finesse as well as a fine suavity. It reveals notes of sweet pear, sweet pineapple and small notes of candied lemon combined with a hint of lychee, rose and a very discreet hint of candied mandarin. The palate is fruity, juicy, beautifully balanced and offers fat, fine tension, suavity, sweetness, harmony, a good freshness as well as finesse. The effervescence is very fine and (very) slightly tight. On the palate this wine expresses notes of sweet pear, candied peach and small notes of sweet lemon combined with hints of juicy / ripe pineapple, crystallized tangerine and subtle hints of lichi / quenette. Good length. Beautiful arom. Score: 16.5/20 (93/100)

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Brazil

Guaspari - Syrah / Vista da Serra 2015 Espirito Santo do Pinhal, Brasil

The nose is spicy and offers concentration as well as a fine freshness. It reveals notes of gray pepper and violet combined with hints of crushed blackberry, crushed raspberry, touches of cassis as well as discreet toasted hints. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, tight, (very) slightly gourmande and offers minerality, a small suavity, straightness, a fine freshness as well as a fine unctuosity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of blackberry, cassis and small notes of red berries associated with touches of violet, laurel, hints of gray pepper as well as discreet toasted hints and licorice. Tannins are wellbuilt and a bit firm. Good persistence. There is an imperceptible touch of chocolate on the aftertaste. Score: 15.25/20 (90/100)

Lidio Carraro - Da' Divas 2015 Chardonnay Encruzilhada Do Sul, Brasil

The nose is fresh, fruity and offers a certain tension / straightness. It reveals notes of ripe nectarine, crunchy apple and small notes of quince associated with slight hints of small yellow fruits, quenette / exotic fruits, minerality and a discreet hint of citrus. The palate is fruity, mineral, well-balanced, well-built, precise, slightly gourmande and offers fluidity, suavity, a small acid frame as well as a small dynamism. On the palate this wine expresses notes of quenette, crunchy nectarine and small notes of quince associated with slight touches of juicy mirabelle plum as well as hints of exotic fruit tips and discreet hints of tangerine. There is an imperceptible toasted hint on the finish / persistence.

Score : 15.75/20 (91-92/100)

Guaspari - Viognier / Vista do Bosque 2016 Espirito Santo do Pinhal, Brasil

The nose is aromatic. It reveals notes of lychee, flowers and small notes of passion fruit associated with small notes of vine peach, mango, discreet hints of citrus (lemon, mandarin) as well as an imperceptible hint of vanilla and salinity. The palate is fruity, beautifully round and offers freshness, fat, a fine suavity, a small tension as well as a fine acid frame. On the palate this wine expresses notes of lychee, passion fruit and small notes of mango / apricot associated with small touches of flowers as well as slight hints of mandarin and vanilla / toasted and a very discreet touch of salinity on the finish. Good length.

Score : 15.75 (91-92/100)

Garibaldi - Chardonnay -

Vinho Branco Espumante Natural, Brasil

The nose is fruity. It reveals notes of apple and lemon associated with small notes of lemon zest and exotic fruits. The palate is fruity, well-balanced and offers a small juiciness, a small straightness, a fine acid frame as well as a small fat. The effervescence is dynamic. On the palate this wine expresses notes of lemon and green apple associated with small notes of lemon zest, quenette, lychee as well as a subtle hint of pear and a discreet hint of small yellow fruits.

Score : 14.25/20 (87-88/100)

Garibaldi - Moscatel

Vinho Moscatel Espumante, Brasil

The nose is fruity and offers a fine intensity as well as a (very) slight concentration. It reveals notes of apple, papaya and small notes of crushed / juicy peach associated with small hints of citrus (lemon, sweet grapefruit) and a very discreet hint of flowers. The palate is fruity, round, slightly gourmande and offers a fine suavity, a small tension, a small fat, a (very) slight acidulous frame. The effervescence is fine and very dynamic. On the palate this wine expresses notes of pear, crushed vine peach and small notes of sweet citrus (lemon, pink grapefruit) associated with fine touches of quenette / exotic fruits and an imperceptible hint of flowers. Score : 14.75/20 (88-89/100)

Garibaldi - Pinot Noir Vinho Rosé Espumante Natural, Brut, Brasil

The nose offers a fine intensity. It reveals notes of fresh raspberry, vine peach and small notes of lemon associated with small / slight touches of fresh strawberry and very discreet hints of tangerine. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, (very) discreetly tight and offers an acid frame, tension, precision as well as a slight fat. The effervescence is fine and dynamic. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fresh raspberry, fresh lemon and small notes of fresh green apple associated with slight touches of fresh strawberry and a very discreet hint of fresh blackberry.

Score : 14 + 20 (87/100)

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