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# 2018 BURGUNDY EN PRIMEUR OFFER

## Terms and conditions of offer - January 2020

1. Prices are quoted in UK £ per case of a dozen: six or three 75cl bottles UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED AS BELOW. All prices are quoted in-bond, excluding current UK duty and VAT
2. All wines are red/rouge, unless otherwise stated as **BLANC**, i.e. white burgundy.
3. **POA** = Price On Application
4. Duty and VAT charges are due at prevailing rates when wine has been shipped and cleared from LCB's bonded warehouse. Onward delivery charges to customers' addresses will be charged at cost.
5. ALL wines are offered subject to availability: prices are subject to alteration. A number of wines will have to be allocated.
6. **Please kindly note the following very carefully:** if any wine ordered is not available due to events outside of our control and/or due to the negligence of the producer; transporter on shipment etc. then we will ONLY refund in full any monies paid by the client and **only to value of amounts paid by clients at the time of ordering.**
7. **TERMS ARE PAYMENT WITH ORDER PLEASE – ALLOCATIONS WILL BE CONFIRMED MID-MARCH**
8. E&OE

## The 2018 Vintage in Burgundy:

As in the past, we quote the Bureau Interprofessionnel des Vins de Bourgogne (BIVB) official report on the vintage from November 2019:

*"The 2018 vintage was met with a unanimous show of satisfaction from the north of Bourgogne to the south. The exceptional weather, especially during the harvest period, resulted in grapes with perfect health, allowing picking to extend over almost a whole month. Initial tastings ahead of the Hospices de Beaune Wine Auction have given an early idea that 2018 will be a truly great year. The vines had built up some reserves over winter thanks to some very rainy weather, and the growth cycle began on the late side. When the sun started to show in April, the vines sprang into life, with budburst taking place very rapidly. The mild weather then allowed the plants to make up for lost time, even getting ahead of the average. Frosts in April sent a shudder across the whole region, but damage remained very limited. Flowering and fruit setting took place without hindrance. Summer saw constant heat and drought, apart from a few hail storms in early July that were of no great consequence. The vines continued to grow at a fast pace until mid-August. Veraison took a little longer in places, the heat and lack of water affecting some of the younger vineyards. Nonetheless, since the hydric reserves had been restocked over winter, most of the vines came to maturity nicely thanks to the ideal weather conditions. The first grapes were picked in the last 10 days of August. Since the dates of flowering, the rainfall and temperature varied greatly from one area to another, harvesting extended into the last 10 days of September. The fruit was in extraordinarily good health, and the weather was perfect, allowing each winemaker to harvest at the optimum moment. The mood was serene across the whole wine region, producers enjoying this magnificent vintage that combined quality and quantity. Many think this will be one of the best vintages in many years. Vinification of the whites went without a problem, the grapes having retained a good level of acidity despite the heat. The reds required a little more attention during vinification due to the relatively high level of potential alcohol.*

*In 2018, the weather varied greatly depending on the month and the area, especially in terms of rainfall. Before the start of the growth cycle, it rained a lot during winter and the temperature varied widely from one month to the next. Despite growth starting on the late side, the vines subsequently burst into life. Rain was largely absent during summer, despite some localized showers. Weather conditions from the end of spring and throughout summer were overall very sunny, warm and dry, keeping disease at bay. Thanks to the water reserves accumulated during the winter, the vines held up well during this drought, resulting in a quality harvest in excellent health. A very rainy start to the year January was atypical, with incessant rain and the warmest average temperatures since 1945. The Bourgogne region had 120% excess rainfall in the north (Chablis, Grand Auxerrois, Châtillonnais, Côte de Beaune and Côte de Nuits), and 150% excess in the south (Côte Chalonnaise and Mâconnais). February was wintery, with rainfall in line with seasonal averages and temperatures 2.6°C lower than normal. The rain redoubled in March, though there were some major disparities. The Côte de Nuits, Côte de Beaune, Côte Chalonnaise and the Mâconnais had more than 120mm of rain, 50% more than normal, whereas Chablis and the Grand Auxerrois had only 60mm. All this water put back the growth cycle, but also allowed the land to build up some reserves. A warm spring from April, mild weather prompted explosive budburst. The heat intensified over the following months, with sunshine far ahead of seasonal norms and scant rain in April and May. Only the Côtes and Hautes Côtes de Beaune and de Nuits received any significant precipitation in spring, with some storms. This sudden warmth meant flowering was early and rapid, catching up for the lateness seen earlier on in the growth cycle. The vines grew so fast that winegrowers struggled to keep up. Bunches formed without any particular problem, suggesting a decent harvest. The damp winter and stormy spring raised the threat of mildew, but the return of warm weather and wind fortunately dispelled this.*

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A never-ending summer of July, August and September all saw temperatures well above seasonal averages, with one period of heat wave. Rainfall was below norms, and only the Côte-d'Or had any rainfall, with some localized storms in July. Episodes of hail had some minor impact on the vines, notably around Nuits-Saint-Georges. Sunshine far outstripped the average. By the end of August, the lack of water in certain areas slowed or even blocked veraison, with mainly the young vines suffering. The older vines and those growing in deeper soils profited all season from the water accumulated at the start of the year. This sunny weather resulted in fruit that was in impeccable condition. In September, ripening continued, helped by cool nights, which limited the degradation of acids and evaporation of juice. Harvesting stretched from 20 August to the third week in September, a particularly long span thanks to the optimal conditions, which allowed winemakers to wait for the exact moment to pick each plot. Overall, the extraordinary weather in 2018 resulted in a very satisfactory harvest, both in terms of quantity and quality, leaving winemakers both reassured and delighted!

## **WHITE WINES**

The aromatic complexity of the white wines is incredible. They are explosive on the nose, with an amazing diversity that reflects each terroir. The wines have a certain crispness and good minerality. In the mouth, they are rounded and generous, balanced with a nice tension.

**Chablisien and Grand Auxerrois white wines:** was a vintage that will go down in history. For many, it is one of the best vintages of the last two decades. The wines offer exceptional aromatic richness, with notes of citrus and white blossom mingling pleasantly with hints of almond, acacia, and hawthorn. In the mouth, they are broad and generous, perfectly balanced, and endowed with delicious freshness. These are wines with exemplary precision and minerality.

**Côte de Beaune white wines:** It is difficult to imagine a better vintage - 2018 is one of superlatives. Whether on the nose or in the mouth, the whites from the Côte de Beaune are simply dazzling. An explosion of fruity and floral fragrances that are both subtle and powerful, with pear, apricot, quince, peach, and mango, combined with acacia and even orange blossom, not forgetting hints of almond. In the mouth, they are dense, rounded, and smooth, with magnificent structure and balance. The finish is marked by good acidity that provides the freshness required for excellent keeping potential.

**Côte Chalonnaise white wines:** The 2018 vintage is all about richness, complexity, and elegance. The quality of the wines is impressive. They are extremely expressive in aromatic terms, dominated by notes of ripe fruit and nuts, making them particularly harmonious in the mouth. They are marked by a very enjoyable sophistication, excellent body, and lovely tension on the finish. They offer clear keeping potential.

**Mâconnais white wines:** 2018 was a vintage of exceptional quality in the Mâconnais. The wines offer some remarkable aromatic intensity. Aromas of ripe citrus combine with delicious hints of white- and yellow-fleshed fruit, like pear, peach, quince, and apricot. These combine with subtle notes of tropical fruit. In the mouth, they are balanced, indulgent and supple, characterized by some impressive structure. Perfect for the most demanding wine lover.

## **RED WINES**

The 2018 reds have a seductive intense color. They are already well structured and powerful, with nicely integrated tannins and good concentration of fruit. These exceptional wines are perfectly balanced, and are already tasting well in their first flush of youth. This is a delicious vintage with splendid maturity.

**Grand Auxerrois red wines:** there is no doubt that 2018 was an incomparable vintage for the Grand Auxerrois region. The excellent maturity of the Pinot Noir and César grapes ensured some very fine wines were produced. They are rich ruby red in color and on the nose recall ripe berries with a sweet touch of spice. In the mouth, they are fresh with good acidity, promising excellent keeping potential. Pleasing in their youth, they will also be a treat to enjoy after a few years.

**Côte de Nuits red wines:** Here, too, the 2018 vintage will be a reference and can be considered as one of the best from the last 30 years. Whether in terms of aroma or taste, they are very close to perfection. The wines are marked with intense fruity and spicy flavours that mingle with delicate floral aromas. In the mouth, they are balanced and corpulent, structured perfectly around powerful yet silky tannins. With a delicious finish and exemplary length, they will improve with keeping.

**Côte de Beaune red wines:** just like its more northerly neighbor, the 2018 vintage on the Côte de Beaune was exemplary in terms of quality. The wines are dazzling, with phenomenal aromatic richness where subtle spicy notes combine with aromas of ripe stone fruits like plum and cherry. They explode in the mouth thanks to a wonderful tannic structure, whilst maintaining undeniable freshness. These wines, which are already tasting wonderfully, nonetheless demand a few years before they are at their very best.

**Côte Chalonnaise red wines:** the Côte Chalonnaise conforms to the general trend: 2018 is one of the very best vintages in recent years. Here, too, the Pinot Noir grape reached perfect maturity. This has resulted in wines that are at once aromatic, rich, and complex, with wonderful balance in the mouth. Their tannins are firm with lovely quality, allowing the wines to evolve favorably over the next few years and they have real keeping potential."

## **BIVB Report ends**

**Raeburn notes on the 2018 vintage:** to the comprehensive BIVB REPORT (above) we can add the following salient and important points about this vintage.

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**RED WINES:** There is great talk about the heat of the late summer/end of the growing season of the 2018 vintage as regards ripeness which is true in many aspects. The picking dates are highlighted as being very crucial by many commentators. This is true to a certain degree but does not tell the whole story. *Overall* it was an earlier than normal harvest but *very early* picking dates do not immediately imply that the later-pickers did not make equally fine wines. The topography of Burgundy is very complicated and the method of working the vineyards is different for all estates on top of which you can add the complicating factors of age of vines and differing plant material in each plot so you have a very complex picture that hugely affects the picking dates for each estate. This is a decision that had to be made individually for each estate taking into account all these factors. We found very few wines from our range of producers with issues of higher than usual alcohols or over ripeness. The wines are, in general, ripe (this is the vintage profile) but are in balance and with very good freshness despite the heat of the vintage. Within our range of producers overall yields were normal or higher than recent vintages but not excessive and this control of yields helped in achieving proper physiological ripeness in the tannins. All this coupled with complicated wine-making decisions has resulted in a greater diversity and range of styles in the region (e.g. the use, or not, of whole bunches in the red ferments to the type and level of extractions and the use and proportion of oak/new oak plus the time in barrel before bottling, the *élevage* etc). The only way to assess the overall balance in the wines is by tasting carefully each wine and this vintage was one of the most heterogeneous that we have come across. The wines will age very well due to the density and concentration of fruit but will also be approachable young at the generic and village level due to the plush, juicy ripeness of the tannins. At the end we can say that we are very happy with the wines made by the producers we follow.

**WHITE WINES:** The white wines from our producers were much easier to taste as they had overall a wonderful balance and freshness and no trace of heaviness. With the white wines, the much higher yields of this vintage have been beneficial in balancing the potentially higher alcohol that may have been the final outcome had there been lower yields. Obviously excessive yields are not good either (this results in dilution) but Chardonnay better supports higher yields to arrive at a better balance and with very good freshness. Earlier picking dates for the Chardonnay was also more important to preserve this freshness and acidity. Again, as with the red wines, the variety of terroirs and style of winemaking makes a considerable difference in the final taste profiles of the wines from each estate. The best wines and especially those from the premier and grand cru terroirs should age extremely well. The alcohols levels for the white wines are moderate (especially in respect to this type of vintage) and are in the 12.2 to 13.6 levels with excellent balance.

### **Queries - please contact us regarding:**

- Up to date accurate details of vineyard holdings & histories of some leading growers
- **V** **Vegan compatible** finishing of wine. We asked growers in 2017 re this, and have the answers
- Our favourite wines, discoveries, and recommendations – whether for drinking or cellaring

### **The Market Place**

We can only repeat (yet again!!) from previous reports that it is perhaps time, in our opinion, for Burgundy lovers to look at some of our "under the radar" producers who remain great value and are, perhaps, the superstars of the future. The Côte de Beaune produces wines as good as much in the Cotes de Nuits, at a fraction of the price, and perhaps with added finesse. Some of these wines will also age spectacularly well, as they come from great terroirs. There are also a number of great Côte de Nuits producers who merit attention from all Burgundy lovers and who still remain sensibly priced, when compared with the increasing prices of the most famous producers. And why ignore wonderful generic Bourgogne and village wines from the best and other fine producers: these deliver great drinking pleasure and remain great value. We will always seek out new and upcoming producers and these deserve your interest and support - fashionable terroirs or not.

**NB REGARDING GENERALISATIONS:** We do not like to generalize for all producers in Burgundy so our thoughts below are based, as usual of course, on the producers we usually work with and feature in this offer. We have not included a great many individual tasting notes below, to avoid endless repetition.

**NB REGARDING ALLOCATIONS:** As demand is high for certain wines and quantities are so limited (especially in this, yet another small vintage) so we do intend to allocate certain wines and we will look favorably upon those who take an interest in wines across the whole spectrum/ range, rather than just only the top tier premier cru/grand cru wines. We also say this because the quality of the generic and villages wines that we are offering is very high.

**NB REGARDING OLDER VINTAGES:** For those interested, we still have some back vintages available from the producers featured below. Please do ask us for further information and availability on all these aforementioned vintages, and a few even older available vintages. (See our past offers for these vintages for further background information.) Time to explore?

We regularly re-taste a lot of these older, recent wines in Burgundy in late November and early December and we do recommend these highly (e.g. the constantly underrated 2011; 2012 - backward; and the very special 2013 and 2014 vintage wines which are even more wonderful than we described before, having now tasted many of them in bottle! A few sumptuous 2015s are also still available. For some watchers, 2016 is **THE** greatest vintage in a generation. The 2017 vintage - now in bottle - is really showing wonderfully pure fruit and terrific expression of the individual *terroirs* in both the red and white wines.

# Côte de Nuits based growers – North to South:

## **ARMELLE ET JEAN-MICHEL MOLIN, FIXIN - [Domaine-Molin.fr](http://Domaine-Molin.fr)**

An exciting new 7ha organic estate for us from Fixin. Ambient yeast ferments. Son Alex has pretty much taken over running this excellent estate. **NB we have also listed the 2016 wines and an older, wonderfully fine 2013 Fixin VV.**

### **KEY PARCELS:**

Mazy Chambertin GC: 0.37ha, ~70yrs

Fixin Hervelets 1er Cru: 0.47ha rge, 0.1ha blanc

Fixin: 2.47ha, various parcels

### **TIMELINE IN BRIEF:**

2010 1st vintage organic certified; 2007 start conversion to organics; 2004 son Alex joins; 1997 & 2014 buy cuverie & build new aging cellar; 1990 to 2015 constant purchasing & planting; 1987 1st harvest

<b>2018</b> Fixin <b>BLANC</b> Vieilles Vignes - <i>lovely balance and concentration. Delicious.</i>	£144 / SIX
<b>2017</b> Fixin 1er Cru Les Hervelets 1er Cru <b>BLANC</b> - <i>fresh, mineral with great personality. A lovely expression.</i>	£210 / SIX
<b>2016</b> Fixin 1er Cru Les Hervelets 1er Cru <b>BLANC</b> - <i>from younger vines on great terroir. Complex, great balance</i>	£225 / SIX

<b>2013</b> Fixin Vieilles Vignes - <i>a blend of various parcels. Pure, fine and very elegant. Really complex, charming</i>	£120 / SIX
<b>2018</b> Fixin les chenevières - <i>silky, transparent and very fine. Great length and finesse with superb tannins</i>	£129 / SIX
<b>2018</b> Fixin 1er Cru Les Hervelets - <i>very pure. Wonderful depth of fruit and balance. Will age well.</i>	£180 / SIX
<b>2017</b> Fixin 1er Cru Les Hervelets - <i>a superb follow up to the more backward 2016: silky and fine. Pure.</i>	£183 / SIX
<b>2016</b> Fixin 1er Cru Les Hervelets - <i>old vines with wonderful crunchy red/black fruits. Top Nuits 1er Cru level.</i>	£198 / SIX
<b>2018</b> Mazy-Chambertin Grand Cru ( <i>vieilles Vignes</i> ) - <i>old vines in this vintage retain freshness with complexity</i>	£726 / SIX
<b>2017</b> Mazy-Chambertin Grand Cru ( <i>vieilles Vignes</i> ) - <i>ancient vines and a wine of fabulous depth and complexity</i>	£750 / SIX

## **JEAN FOURNIER, MARSANNAY-LA-COTE**

By Zubair and David. Based in the northern Côte de Nuits. Jean's immensely talented son Laurent Fournier looks after this 17ha estate which includes a number of top vineyards in Marsannay. He also has some fabulous old vine terroirs outwith Marsannay, which are truly wonderful and offer great value for their high quality. The terrific Pernand Rouge is a must. He is a key player in the ongoing 'de-barrique-ification' of Burgundy.

### **Laurent Fournier wrote this about his amazing Cotes de Nuits Villages Rouge Vieilles Vignes Croix Violettes:**

*"This cuvee of Côtes de Nuits Villages comes from one of the terroirs most esteemed appellation: "Croix Violettes". This plot, which has a very old reputation, is located at the foot of the castle and convent of Chateau de Brochon near Gevrey. The thickness of earth attains a rare delicacy (only a few feet). Bedrock is immediately present, and gives the wine a striking minerality, a great length, saline and very original. Very old vines which are also affected by the fan-leaf virus (court-noue) disease. This disease can occur in two forms. Here it makes the vine suffer, which makes it produce very few grapes, however, grapes of a very high quality."*

Bourgogne Aligote Vieilles Vignes Champ Forey <b>BLANC</b> – <i>55-80 year old vines. About terroir more than variety</i>	£87 / SIX
Bourgogne Rouge – <i>delicious and more-ish Pinot from a selection of parcels around Marsannay. Great value.</i>	£87 / SIX
Pernand-Vergelesses 1er Cru les Vergelesses ( <b>Cotes de Beaune</b> ) - <i>a new cuvee for Fournier. From vines planted in 1951, this is so pure and utterly refined with exquisite Pinot red fruits and terrific old-vine intensity and complexity. Top wine.</i>	£225 / SIX
Cotes de Nuits Villages Rouge Croix Violettes VV – <i>Extra-ordinary wine of great complexity. Vines planted 1935-1940. One of the most outstanding values in red Burgundy, considering the depth and complexity of this wine every vintage.</i>	£225 / SIX

## **MICHEL GUILLARD, GEVREY-CHAMBERTIN**

A fabulous 5ha small estate in Gevrey-Chambertin. Michel's family works 'organic- uncertified' for decades with mostly very old vines. The wines are pure, elegant, sumptuous with well-defined terroir and character. Around 50% new oak and low yields. These are concentrated and quite superbly balanced wines where the village wines (from vines 60 to 85 years old) could easily be mistaken for wines of premier cru level. The 1er Corbeaux from 80 year old vines is a fantastic and age-worthy example of this structured terroir and the less well known terroir of 1er Cru Poissenot produce here wines of great charm and depth of fruit with great complexity and purity. **NB: THIS DOMAINE DOES NOT OFFER EN-PRIMEUR** - we are offering below the excellent 2017 vintage - not be missed and excellent value for such high quality (something not so easy to find in Burgundy these days!). The 2017 vintage shows wonderful *terroir* character and great purity with wonderful Pinot fruit.

<b>2017</b> Gevrey Chambertin Vieilles Vignes Les Platieres 75cl	£180 / SIX
<b>2017</b> Gevrey-Chambertin Vieilles Vignes Reniard 75cl	£186 / SIX
<b>2017</b> Gevrey-Chambertin Vieilles Vignes Aux Corvees 75cl	£210 / SIX
<b>2017</b> Gevrey-Chambertin 1er Cru Les Corbeaux 75cl	£270 / SIX
<b>2017</b> Gevrey-Chambertin 1er Cru Poissenot 75cl	£270 / SIX
<b>2017</b> Gevrey-Chambertin 1er Cru Lavaux St Jacques 75cl	£294 / SIX

## **DOMAINE JEAN-MARIE FOURRIER, GEVREY-CHAMBERTIN**

NB All on strict allocation. Prices and availability on application.

## DOMAINE BERTRAND MAUME, GEVREY-CHAMBERTIN

The legend that is Bertrand and Bernard (son and father) Maume *is back!* They have reclaimed some of their original vineyards which were leased out after the sale of the original Domaine Maume. The Maume family have retained the legendary old vine parcels of Gevrey En Pallud, and the superbly situated Premier Cru Cherbaudes. These are unique wines of enormous personality and terroir expression.

Gevrey-Chambertin En Pallud - *wonderful concentration and depth of flavour. Complex and long: ancient vines.* £255 / SIX  
Gevrey-Chambertin 1er Cru les Cherbaudes - *a top premier cru. Ethereal old vines finesse and length.* £330 / SIX

## RENE LECLERC, GEVREY-CHAMBERTIN - [Domaine-Rene-Leclerc-GevreyChambertin.com](http://Domaine-Rene-Leclerc-GevreyChambertin.com)

Since the 2012's this is a new and exciting 10ha 'organic-uncertified' addition for us. Francois Leclerc now looks after this historic estate (having taken over from his father, the legendary Rene Leclerc) in Gevrey-Chambertin which has an excellent array of top Gevrey vineyards, including some rare Griotte-Chambertin Grand Cru. Very little new oak is used here so the terroirs really shine through with great transparency. These are terrific wines full of charm and personality. They are largely proportion of old vines. Traditional wine-making at its very best. These wines show wonderful finesse and purity of fruit. The 2018 vintage shows great depth of fruit and excellent balance with no excess - all wines show terrific purity and terroir. An estate that merits greater attention.

Bourgogne Rouge - *transparent and very pure. Gevrey character with depth* £87 / SIX  
Gevrey Chambertin - *a blend of various village parcels. Very pure and a crystalline.* £168 / SIX  
Gevrey Chambertin Clos Prieur - *this is of 1er cru quality. Very fine and lacy with great elegance* £189 / SIX  
Gevrey Chambertin 1er Cru Lavaux St Jacques - *structured yet incredibly fine. Long and complex.* £270 / SIX  
Gevrey Chambertin 1er Cru Combe aux Moines - *less well-know 1er cru but of near grand cru level here. Terrific.* £270 / SIX  
Griotte Chambertin Grand Cru - *real grandeur here. Liquor like intensity and great depth. Stunning complexity.* £798 / SIX

## DOMAINE CHANTAL (LOUIS) REMY, MOREY ST. DENIS

Yet again, a wonderful range of wines which show, as always, that their *terroirs* extremely well. There is the usual lovely quality of ripe, silky tannins. Florian, Chantal's son, has made again very fine range of wines at their tiny domain.

Morey St. Denis Clos des Rosiers **Monopole** - *Very fine and pure. This shows fabulous vineyard definition. Classy.* £399 / SIX  
**JEROBOAM 300cl** £300 / ONE  
Laticieres-Chambertin Grand Cru - *A wine that ages superbly. Concentrated with finesse and minerality.* £780 / SIX  
Le Chambertin Grand Cru - *Outstanding Grand Cru: complex, ethereal and all in finesse and bottomless depth.* £990 / SIX

## DOMAINE ARLAUD PERE ET FILS, MOREY ST. DENIS - [DomaineArlaud.com](http://DomaineArlaud.com)

Cyprien and his family are consistently making consistently great wines. A domaine to follow. All farmed in Bio-Dynamics now. The 2018 vintage is an enormous success here as yields were controlled resulting in wines of uncanny depth; concentration and complexity without any excess. These are wines that will age well. The whole range is very highly recommended and the Bourgogne Rouge "Roncevie" is, as ever, one of the vintage's best buys.

### PARTICULARLY OLD VINES:

-Bourgogne Roncevie is 4.9ha, 80% 1964/5 vines  
-MSD Ruchots 1C is 85% 1955 vines  
-CM Chatelots 1C is ~55yrs  
-CM Noirots is 1C ~55yrs  
-Gevrey Combottes 1C is 75% 1925 & 1964 vines  
-Charmes-Chambertin GC is 50% 1957 vines

Bourgogne Rouge Roncevie	£87 / SIX
Morey St. Denis	£195 / SIX
Morey St. Denis 1er Cru les Ruchots	£294 / SIX
	<b>JEROBOAM 300cl</b> £245 / ONE
Morey St. Denis 1er Cru les Millandes	£270 / SIX
	<b>JEROBOAM 300cl</b> £225 / ONE
Gevrey-Chambertin 1er Cru les Combottes	£345 / SIX
	<b>MAGNUMS 150cl</b> £360 / THREE
	<b>JEROBOAM 300cl</b> £280 / ONE
Chambolle-Musigny 1er Cru Les Sentiers	£330 / SIX
	<b>JEROBOAM 300cl</b> £270 / ONE
Chambolle-Musigny 1er Cru Les Noirots	£321 / SIX
	<b>JEROBOAM 300cl</b> £260 / ONE
Chambolle-Musigny 1er Cru Les Chatelots	£321 / SIX
Charmes-Chambertin Grand Cru	£615 / SIX
	<b>JEROBOAM 300cl</b> £470 / ONE
Clos de la Roche Grand Cru	£648 / SIX
	<b>MAGNUMS 150cl</b> £660 / THREE
	<b>JEROBOAM 300cl</b> £485 / ONE
Clos St. Denis Grand Cru	£930 / SIX
	<b>MAGNUMS 150cl</b> £945 / THREE
Bonnes-Mares Grand Cru	£1200 / SIX
	<b>MAGNUMS 150cl</b> £1230 / THREE
	<b>JEROBOAM 300cl</b> £860 / ONE

## ET ARLAUD – CYPRIEN ARLAUD’S STUNNING BD “NEGOCE” LABEL

Cyprien farms the vineyards with his team and also picks the grapes. These brilliant wines are very much true to the Arlaud vision and of the same fabulous quality of the domaine wines. OKA is the name of one of the Arlaud draught horses.

Bourgogne Rouge "OKA" - <i>juicy and pure. A delight and very Morey in character. A bargain.</i>	£72 / SIX
Hautes Cotes de Nuits Rouge - <i>real depth and weight. So much fruit and pleasure. Superb balance.</i>	£93 / SIX
Morey St. Denis Rouge Clos Solon - <i>a lovely village wine with red cherries and bright red fruits. Sumptuous.</i>	£174 / SIX
Vosne-Romanée - <i>old vine depth and complexity. Harmonious and pure with delicious ripe fruit.</i>	£240 / SIX
Vosne-Romanée Aux Réas - <i>very focused and refined. Good structure of ripe tannins and complex fruit.</i>	£261 / SIX
Vosne-Romanée 1 <sup>er</sup> cru Petits Monts - <i>high-toned and ethereal. A top 1er Cru above Richebourg. Fabulous.</i>	£426 / SIX
	<b>JEROBOAM 300cl</b> £339 / ONE
Echezeaux Grand Cru - <i>this is really concentrated and dense with exotic, ripe fruit. Old vine creaminess.</i>	£720 / SIX
	<b>JEROBOAM 300cl</b> £540 / ONE

## DOMAINE DES LAMBRAYS, MOREY ST. DENIS – [Lambrays.com](http://Lambrays.com)

By David. 8ha organic domaine, with the near-monopole of Grand Cru Clos des Lambrays at its heart. Long term regisseur Thierry Brouin has retired after an amazing stint from 1979 to 2018, rehabilitating the vineyard, taking it organic, and truly establishing Lambrays as a distinctly beautiful Grand Cru. The highly talented Jacques Devauges has taken over bringing with him a wealth of experience working previously at a number of top estates with a diversity of great *terroirs*.

Morey St. Denis	£294 / SIX
Clos des Lambrays Grand Cru.	£1140 / SIX
Puligny Montrachet 1 <sup>er</sup> Cru Clos du Cailleret <b>BLANC</b>	£609 / SIX
Puligny Montrachet 1 <sup>er</sup> Cru les Folatieres <b>BLANC</b>	£525 / SIX

## LOUIS BOILLOT, CHAMBOLLE-MUSIGNY

By Zubair and David. Louis - aka Mr. Ghislaine Barthod - is father of their son Clement. He overseas viticulture in both domains/labels. They share the 'new' family cellar built 2002 in Chambolle, when he left father Lucien Boillot's business to start his own label. There is an exchange of ideas here: one can see the influence of Louis on Ghislaine, and vice versa. These all come from, in general, very old vines. There is a big spread of vineyards totalling 7ha which Louis has inherited from the many divisions of family land, so common in Burgundy. The wines have great purity and balance with stunning finesse and complexity. There is a great winemaker working here. These are very fine wines indeed with great purity, precision and terroir character. The 2018 wines are amongst the finest we tasted in any cellar in this vintage. They are wonderfully fresh and well-balanced. A triumph. Louis is now one of the top producers in the Cote d'Or.

### PARTICULARLY OLD VINES:

- Gevrey Evocelles 0.4ha >50yrs vines
- Gevrey Cherbaudes 1C 0.17ha ~100yrs TVV
- Nuits Pruliers 1C 0.27ha ~100yrs TVV
- Volnay Grands Poisots 0.85ha >55yrs
- Volnay Caillerets 1C 0.17ha 55yrs

Beaune Epenottes Rouge	£138 / SIX
Volnay Grands Poisots	£192 / SIX
	<b>MAGNUMS 150cl</b> £195 / THREE
Volnay 1er Cru Les Caillerets	£420 / SIX
	<b>MAGNUMS 150cl</b> £423 / THREE
Pommard 1er cru les Fremiers	<b>MAGNUMS 150cl</b> £351 / THREE
Gevrey-Chambertin	<b>MAGNUMS 150cl</b> £207 / THREE
Gevrey-Chambertin Evocelles	£246 / SIX
Gevrey-Chambertin 1er Cru Les Champonnets	<b>MAGNUMS 150cl</b> £351 / THREE
Gevrey-Chambertin 1er Cru Les Cherbaudes (TVV)	<b>MAGNUMS 150cl</b> £441 / THREE
Nuits St Georges 1er Cru Les Pruliers (TVV)	£420 / SIX
	<b>MAGNUMS 150cl</b> £423 / THREE

## GHISLAINE BARTHOD, CHAMBOLLE-MUSIGNY

All Chambolle-Musigny wines are on allocation.

Bourgogne Rouge - <i>this has terrific Chambolle (and the Barthod finese) character at a decent price!</i>	£135 / SIX
	<b>MAGNUMS 150cl</b> £138 / THREE
Chambolle-Musigny	£285 / SIX
Chambolle-Musigny 1er Cru Beaux Bruns	£480 / SIX
Chambolle-Musigny 1er Cru Les Chatelots	£480 / SIX
Chambolle-Musigny 1er Cru Les Cras	POA / SIX

## JACQUES-FREDERIC MUGNIER, CHAMBOLLE-MUSIGNY – [Mugnier.fr](http://Mugnier.fr) -

Sustainable farming on 13.6ha. New oak down to ~15% since 2012. Tiny crop with the 2018 vintage due to hail (twice). A monumental and very intense wine. Will be amazing with age.

Nuits St. Georges 1er Cru Clos de la Marechale <b>Monopole</b>	£360 / SIX
	<b>MAGNUMS 150cl</b> £366 / THREE

## SYLVAIN CATHIARD, VOSNE-ROMANEE

All on strict allocation. Prices and availability on application.

### DOMAINE MEO-CAMUZET, VOSNE-ROMANEE – [Meo-Camuzet.com](http://Meo-Camuzet.com) -

Bourgogne Côte d'Or Rouge Cuvée Etienne Camuzet - *this is **purely domaine fruit**. A new wine from this vintage. Superb purity of fruit and real elegance and charm with real concentration, complexity and depth of flavour.*

	£156 / SIX
Fixin Rouge 1er Clos du Chapitre	£288 / SIX
Marsannay Rouge	£159 / SIX
Nuits St. Georges 1er Cru les Murgers	£630 / SIX
Chambolle-Musigny 1er Cru les Feusselottes	£570 / SIX
Clos de Vougeot Grand Cru	£1260 / SIX
Hautes Cotes de Nuits Clos St.Philibert <b>BLANC</b>	£150 / SIX
	<b>MAGNUMS 150cl</b> £162 / THREE

### DOMAINE JEAN GRIVOT, VOSNE-ROMANÉE – [DomaineGrivot.fr](http://DomaineGrivot.fr) -

This 14ha sustainable domaine really is amongst the greatest in Burgundy.

Bourgogne Rouge - <i>complex and refined for this humble appellation. Elegant and pure with depth of fruit.</i>	£150 / SIX
Chambolle-Musigny 'La Combe d'Orveaux' - <i>none produced last year but very fine and pure this vintage.</i>	£324 / SIX
Nuits St. Georges 1er Cru Pruliers	£576 / SIX
Nuits St. Georges 1er Cru les Boudots	£696 / SIX
Vosne-Romanée - <i>a top village wine: of premier cru quality.</i>	£282 / SIX
Vosne-Romanée 1er Cru Les Rouges- <i>this gains in depth every year as the vines age. Lovely freshness &amp; balance</i>	£576 / SIX
Vosne-Romanée 1er Cru Les Beaumonts	£798 / SIX
Vosne-Romanée 1er Cru Les Suchots	£960 / SIX
Vosne-Romanée 1er Cru Les Reignots - <i>a wine of immense complexity and of grand cru stature.</i>	£990 / SIX
Clos de Vougeot Grand Cru	£960 / SIX
Echezeaux Grand Cru	£1350 / SIX

### FRANCOIS LAMARCHE, VOSNE-ROMANEE - [Domaine-Lamarche.com](http://Domaine-Lamarche.com)

Sixth generation cousins Nicole (wine) and Nathalie (business) are running this fabulously well sited domaine. The 8ha owned (with 3ha leased) includes the 1.65ha Monopole La Grand Rue Grand Cru which lies between La Tache and La Romanee Conti – bought at auction in 1933 from the Liger-Belair family.

Bourgogne Rouge - <i>lovely, pure, refined Pinot fruit. Has good concentration. A bargain!</i>	£84 / SIX
Vosne-Romanee 1er Cru les Malconsorts - <b>on allocation</b>	£292.50 / THREE
La Grande Rue Grand Cru MONOPOLE - <b>on allocation</b>	£1425 / THREE

### DOMAINE JEAN-PIERRE GUYON, VOSNE-ROMANEE - [DomaineGuyon-Vosne.com](http://DomaineGuyon-Vosne.com)

Another newish, very exciting 6ha organic certified domaine for us: extra-ordinary wines of great complexity. The balance, concentration, purity, freshness and impeccable quality of tannins in the red wines is of the very highest level. As before, this was a revelatory tasting and the organic vineyard work and winemaking is of the very highest level, after a decades of hard graft in field and cellar. These wines will all age very well. Made by Jean-Pierre Guyon with wife Isabelle, brother Michel having departed in 2015. **NB** these wines are now aged in custom specification slowly formed untoasted barrels, which leave no oak notes on the reds. This is another very successful vintage for this estate.

Bourgogne Rouge - <i>from Vosne Romanee, it shows the elegance, complexity and even quality of that village!</i>	£132 / SIX
	<b>MAGNUMS 150cl</b> £135 / THREE
Chorey-les-Beaune Rouge Les Bons Ores - <i>Old vines, crunchy Pinot red fruits and very more-ish. Silky.</i>	£150 / SIX
	<b>MAGNUMS 150cl</b> £153 / THREE
Savigny les Beaune 1er Cru les Peuillets Rouge - <i>a little known 1er Cru, giving great charm and suppleness. Average 40 to 50 yr old vines. Could be Chambolle premier cru!</i>	£210 / SIX
Vosne Romanee - <i>terrific village wine, 50-60yr old vines again.</i>	£345 / SIX
Vosne Romanee Les Charmes de Mazieres - <i>Jean-Pierre marks the 70+ yr old and throughout his Vosne-Romanee villages vineyards and then picks these separately for this wine. It has amazing density of fruit with the concentration of low yields.</i>	£432 / SIX
Vosne Romanee 1er cru Les Brulees - <i>a top premier cru: Brulee produces rich, sumptuous exotic wines.</i>	£720 / SIX
Vosne Romanee 1er cru En Orveaux - <i>a small Vosne 1er Cru, it produces some of the most understated and elegant wines in Vosne as it is situated more towards the Chambolle side. One of our favourite terroirs. Old vines give depth, great aromatic complexity and concentrated length.</i>	£720 / SIX
Echezeaux Grand Cru – <i>Guyon's old-vine parcel (in lieu-dit En l'Orveaux) is situated near Grands-Echezeaux. Has the depth of spicy, dense fruit as you might expect from Grands-Echezeaux...</i>	£1110 / SIX
Clos de Vougeot Grand Cru - <i>A choice old-vine parcel of Clos Vougeot, Supremely elegant this vintage.</i>	£1020 / SIX
Nuits St Georges <b>BLANC</b> Les Argillats - <i>comes from the unique Gouges clone mutation of white Pinot Noir. this has terrific complexity and depth with enormous complexity.</i>	£210 / SIX
Morey St. Denis <b>BLANC</b> La Bidaude - <i>100% Chardonnay from a plot of 35+ yr old vines above Grands Crus Clos de Tart and Clos des Lambrays. As with the Nuits Blanc above, this is vinified in older oak barrels</i>	£210 / SIX

## NATHALIE VIGOT, VOSNE-ROMANEE

A superb if tiny estate making wines of great character from small plots of old vines including a wonderful and very fine Vosne-Romanee 1er Cru les Petits Monts. Self-taught Nathalie uses 100% whole-bunch fermentation and the wines have great finesse and balance:

Bourgogne Rouge (>65 yr old vines) – of Vosne Village level. Silky and pure with great personality. £108 / SIX  
Vosne-Romanee (from vines over 60 years old) – concentrated yet very fine village wine, of premier cru level £318 / SIX  
Vosne-Romanee 1er Cru les Petits Monts (>65 yr old vines) – a great 1er Cru. Complex and ethereal. £420 / SIX

### TIMELINE:

2010: Purchase of a parcel of old vine Bourgogne Rouge (70 years old)  
2007: New appellation, Crémant de Bourgogne, and first release of Bourgogne Grand Ordinaire Rouge  
2004: Creation of G.F.A. Petits Monts with her siblings. 1st wine in Vosne Romanee & 1er Cru Les Petits Monts. Construction of a winery and cellar.  
1999: Purchase of a parcel of Bourgogne Blanc et Rouge  
1998: domaine created March, sharecropping in Bourgogne Hautes Côtes de Nuits Blanc & Rouge from 1998 to 2004.

## JEAN CHAUVENET, NUITS ST. GEORGES

By Zubair & David. This sustainably-farmed 9.2ha estate, now easily one of the best in this village, deserves a MUCH wider following (and remains **excellent value** for this incredible level of quality). Christophe Drag, son-in-law of Jean-Chaouenet, continues to go from strength to strength in vine and cellar. They went sustainable in 1994, started cover cropping in 2004, with a view to working organically in practice if not in name. They have continued to buy land that was previously rented. In 2017 we made a full audit of all their parcel sizes, ages, date of purchase and first bottling – do ask if interested.

### VINEYARD DETAILS FROM CHRISTOPHE DRAG & DAVID:

-Les Lavieres 0.36ha planted 1920 – TVV!. Bought 1934, 1st made 2009  
-Rue de Chaux 1C 0.24ha planted 1930, in a 2.1ha 1C. Bought 1927; 1st made 1993  
-Damodes 1C 0.28ha planted 1950, next to 1C NSG Boudots & VR Malconsorts. Rented & made since 1992; bought 2012  
-Les Perrieres 1C 0.23ha average 60yrs, in a 2.5ha cru. Rented since 1982; 1st made 1984  
-Vaucrains 1C 0.41ha average 60yrs, above Nuits Les St. Georges 1C. Bought & 1st made in 1973

Nuits St. Georges Villages Lavieres (TVV) - Vosne side. Very silky and fine with a lovely elegance and finesse.. £150 / SIX  
Very old vines (TVV). **HALVES 37.5cl** £168 / **TWELVE**  
Nuits St. Georges 1er Cru Les Damodes (VV) - Also on the Vosne side. Shows vey fine floral complexity and depth. Excellent structure with freshness black cherry fruit and great purity. £282 / SIX  
Nuits St. Georges 1er Cru Les Perrieres (VV) - terrific mineral presence and depth. Will keep superbly. £282 / SIX  
Nuits St. Georges 1er Cru Vaucrains (VV) – Grand Cru depth & texture. Has concentration and great complexity. £330 / SIX

## HENRI GOUGES, NUITS ST. GEORGES – [Gouges.com](http://Gouges.com) -

14.5ha domaine, organic, all within Nuits. The reference Nuits based Domaine? 2017 chez Gouges is all about elegant, attractive and supple fruit. The terroirs are precisely expressed and the wines show very well with plenty in reserve. Most elegant, supple wines.

### VINEYARD DETAILS BY ANTOINE GOUGES & DAVID:

-Nuits Villages: 3.2ha in 7 plots average 50yrs old (VV)  
-Nuits Clos des Porrets 1C MONOPOLE: 3.5ha bought 1934. Planted between 1925-1993 on pink limestone scree  
-Nuits Pruliers 1C: 1.88ha in 2 parcels bought 1920. Part 70-80yrs old; part 15-25yrs old  
-Nuits Vaucrains 1C: 1ha low yield on steep calcite plot. Part planted 1930-1950; part 1990-2000  
-Nuits Les St.Georges 1C: 1.08ha bought 1921. E-facing on limestone. Planted 1930s-1970s  
-Nuits Perrieres **BLANC**: 0.4ha planted 1945-1954 (VV)

Nuits St Georges		£195 / SIX
	<b>MAGNUMS 150cl</b>	£210 / <b>THREE</b>
Nuits St Georges 1er Cru Chaignots		£255 / SIX
Nuits St. Georges 1er Cru Clos des Porrets		£255 / SIX
	<b>MAGNUMS 150cl</b>	£264 / <b>THREE</b>
Nuits St. Georges 1er Cru les Pruliers		£330 / SIX
	<b>MAGNUMS 150cl</b>	£345 / <b>THREE</b>
Nuits St. Georges 1er Cru les Vaucrains		£435 / SIX
	<b>MAGNUMS 150cl</b>	£465 / <b>THREE</b>
Nuits St. Georges 1er Cru les St. Georges		£POA / SIX
Nuits St Georges 1er Cru la Perriere <b>BLANC</b> - the unique Gouges white made from Gouges clone, a white mutation of Pinot Noir! Very complex, rich fruit, fresh and mineral even saline with a unique profile and great complexity. Wonderful and highly individual wine. Ages stunningly well.		£349.80 / SIX

## DOMAINE TAWSE (former DOMAINE MAUME wines as marked below), NUIITS [Marchand-Tawse.com](http://Marchand-Tawse.com)

With cellars based in Nuits St. Georges, and following the purchase of Maume by Canadian Murray Tawse in 2012, the name finally changed to Domaine Tawse with the 2016 vintage. This is a growing biodynamic Domaine out with the former Maume estate, plus the **Maison Marchand-Tawse label (see below)**. Partner Pascal Marchand has two head winemakers in Thomas Dinel for Cote de Beaune and negocié, Mark Fincham for the Cote de Nuits. They produce a useful full fiche-techniques on all wines. There is also a small range of *sans soufre* cuvees recently started, made with a very precise vision.

Gevrey-Chambertin - ( <i>ex Maume</i> )	£216 / SIX
Gevrey-Chambertin Aux Etelois - ( <i>ex Maume</i> ) <i>fabulous terroir, superbly situated just below Griotte-Chambertin.</i>	£240 / SIX
Gevrey-Chambertin 1er Cru Lavaux St. Jacques -( <i>ex Maume</i> )	£495 / SIX
Mazis-Chambertin Grand Cru - ( <i>ex Maume</i> )	£1140 / SIX
Mazoyeres-Chambertin Grand Cru - ( <i>ex Maume</i> ) <i>formerly known as Charmes-Chambertin. From 65 yr old vines.</i>	£990 / SIX
Savigny-les-Beaune 1er Cru les Lavieres - <b>sans soufre</b> : <i>made without any added sulphur. Stunningly pure.</i>	£165 / SIX
Beaune 1er Cru Teurons	£144 / SIX
Beaune 1er Cru Clos du Roi	£150 / SIX
Volnay 1er Cru les Fremiets	£216 / SIX
Chassagne-Montrachet 1er Cru Abbaye de Morgeot <b>BLANC</b>	£291 / SIX
Puligny-Montrachet 1er Cru les Champs Gain <b>BLANC</b>	£291 / SIX

## MAISON MARCHAND-TAWSE, NUIITS ST. GEORGES [Marchand-Tawse.com](http://Marchand-Tawse.com)

Morey St. Denis Rue de Vergéy - <i>wonderfully perfumed fruit with great Morey purity and elegance. Superb</i>	£180 / SIX
Chambolle-Musigny - <i>classy, silky Chambolle-Musigny. True to its village.</i>	£210 / SIX
Morey St. Denis 1er Cru Clos des Ormes - <i>more structured with silky, ripe tannins and great depth. Will age well.</i>	£216 / SIX
Morey St. Denis 1er Cru Millandes - <i>floral, fine and very long on the palate. A delicious and classy terroir.</i>	£216 / SIX
Gevrey-Chambertin 1er Cru Champeaux - <i>lovely depth and concentration. Structured with great energy. Complex.</i>	£264 / SIX
Clos de la Roche Grand Cru - <i>complex, fine and long. Great wine.</i>	£660 / SIX
Clos St. Denis Grand Cru - <i>intense, mineral, pure cherry red fruits and floral, perfumed fruit. Super complex.</i>	£660 / SIX
Meursault 1er Cru les Genevrières <b>BLANC</b> - <i>intense, concentrated yet with the super balance of this great terroir.</i>	£369 / SIX

## DOMAINE DE LA VOUGERAIE, PREMEAUX-PRISSY by NUIITS - [DomaineDeLaVougeraie.com](http://DomaineDeLaVougeraie.com)

Exquisite wines from this great estate. Bio-dynamic viticulture: they use a large amount of whole bunch fermentation. Very pure, elegant and a joy to drink - for both white and red wines. The wines show wonderful finesse and terroir complexity.

Bourgogne Terres de Familles <b>BLANC</b> - <i>crisp, lively and very mineral. Has great pedigree for a Bourgogne.</i>	£96 / SIX
Clos <b>BLANC</b> de Vougeot 1er Cru <b>Monopole</b> - <i>serious depth and concentration and very complex. Super.</i>	£420 / SIX
Bourgogne, Terres de Familles Rouge - <i>effortless and charming but with weight and balance.</i>	£102 / SIX
Gevrey Chambertin les Evocelles - <i>more structured yet with great purity and balance. A classic Gevrey.</i>	£222 / SIX
Vosne-Romanée "Champs Perdrix" - <i>this is 100% whole bunch from very old vines. Only bottled in magnums from a fantastic terroir. Ethereal and super-fine, this is highly complex and a total delight. Will also age very well.</i>	<b>MAGNUMS 150cl</b> £450 / <b>THREE MAGS</b>
Clos de Vougeot Grand Cru - <i>serious with superb tannins and great balance. A very fine Clos Vougeot.</i>	£720 / SIX
Bonnes-Mares Grand Cru - <i>one of great wines from this grand cru. Some whole bunch. Complete and very fine.</i>	£660 / <b>THREE</b>

## DOMAINE OLIVIER JOUAN, ARCENANT (HAUTES-COTES DE NUIITS)

By Zubair & David. Olivier Jouan is a very exciting producer. As a teenager, he knew the family domaine was worthy of its own label, as he watched respected négociants such as Bouchard and Drouhin line up each year to buy grapes from his father. However, he started in the family stone mason business as his expected inheritance would only have provided weekend work. An uncle surprisingly left him more land, and so 6<sup>th</sup> generation Morey-Saint-Denis grower Olivier Jouan became the first in his family to make wine commercially in 1999 after completing studies at the Lycée Viticole in Beaune.

Olivier has parcels (see further info below) in two Morey-Saint Denis 1er Crus, Ruchots and Riotte (next to Hubert Lignier's plot), and a whole acre of Grand Cru Charmes-Chambertin. His old-vine parcel in the Chambolle-Musigny lieu-dit Les Bussièrès (just across border from Morey 1er Cru La Bussièrès) is worthy of 1er Cru status. The Hautes Côtes Rouge from 45 yr old vines has remarkable depth for the appellation and incredible value, as does the Hautes Cotes Blanc which has wonderful density and concentration. If one was to describe the style of the wines here then they are, to our minds, reminiscent of the wonderful wines of Hubert Lignier – another great domaine with Morey St Denis vines.

Needing space for production, Olivier and his wife Isabelle moved into a 17th century home with a perfect cellar in Arcenant, nestled back into the Hautes Côtes de Nuits, and took on a further 5.5ha to supplement his Cote d'Or parcels. Olivier is a one-man operation and if you need to find him, you know where to look, as his labor-intensive natural vineyard regimen is year-round. Olivier works his vines by hand organically (uncertified): he has no interest in attaining any bureaucratic validation. He takes limit yields severely, including hard pruning, and then an 'epoussinage' (rather than ebourgeonage) after bud-break, as the buds are easier to spot when a few cms longer, but still easy to rub off. He sets Pinot Noir for max 30-35hl/ha, and so like Leroy, only stands to ever bring in less.

He refuses to green harvest, feeling that it unbalances the structural balance of the grapes. He refuses to acidify, and avoids chaptalisation, meaning that all has to be won on the vine - Morey La Riotte VV for example has never been chaptalized. There is approximately three-week cuvaion for maximum extraction. Élevage is in combination of new, second and third-year barrels with maximum one-third new oak for Grand Cru Charmes and 1er Crus. Minimal racking, and no fining or filtration. Olivier is something of a gentle giant of a man, with a stubborn streak, who ignores the pursuit pretty primary fruit in favour of serious long-term substance. Max. 36,000 bottles / 3,000 cases max per year, off of 7.5ha.

**NB: JOUAN DOES NOT OFFER WINES EN-PRIMEUR WITH 2015 VINTAGE TO FOLLOW.** [\(Continued next page\)](#)

## OLIVIER JOUAN - VINEYARD DETAILS:

- Bourgogne Hautes Côtes de Nuits: 5.5ha (blanc ~70yrs, rouge 45yrs)
- Morey-Saint-Denis Village Clos Solon: 0.25ha
- Chambolle-Musigny Les Bussières: 0.5ha planted 1951, '61 and '76
- Morey-Saint-Denis 1er Cru Les Ruchots: 0.3ha average 45 yrs
- Morey-Saint-Denis 1er Cru La Riotte: 0.3ha planted 1934
- Charmes-Chambertin Grand Cru: 0.4ha

<u>2013</u> Hautes Cotes de Nuits <b>BLANC</b> Vieilles Vignes	£156.00 / DOZEN
<u>2017</u> Hautes Cotes de Nuits Rouge	£150.00 / DOZEN
<u>2014</u> Hautes Cotes de Nuits Rouge	£165.00 / DOZEN
<u>2014</u> Morey St Denis Rouge Clos Solon	£189.00 / SIX
<u>2013</u> Morey St Denis Rouge Clos Solon	£195.00 / SIX
<u>2012</u> Morey St Denis Rouge Clos Solon	£195.00 / SIX
<u>2014</u> Chambolle-Musigny Villages Les Bussieres	£189.00 / SIX
<u>2013</u> Chambolle-Musigny Villages Les Bussieres	£195.00 / SIX
<u>2012</u> Chambolle-Musigny Villages Les Bussieres	£195.00 / SIX
<u>2014</u> Morey St Denis Rouge 1er Cru Les Ruchots	£279.00 / SIX
<u>2013</u> Morey St Denis Rouge 1er Cru Les Ruchots	£294.00 / SIX
<u>2012</u> Morey St Denis Rouge 1er Cru Les Ruchots	£294.00 / SIX
<u>2009</u> Morey St Denis Rouge 1er Cru Les Ruchots	£480.00 / DOZEN
<u>2009</u> Morey St Denis Rouge 1er Cru La Riotte Vieilles Vignes	£495.00 / DOZEN
<u>2013</u> Morey St Denis Rouge 1er Cru La Riotte Vieilles Vignes	£294.00 / SIX
<u>2012</u> Morey St Denis Rouge 1er Cru La Riotte Vieilles Vignes	£294.00 / SIX
<u>2014</u> Charmes-Chambertin Grand Cru	£465.00 / SIX
<u>2013</u> Charmes-Chambertin Grand Cru	£480.00 / SIX
<u>2012</u> Charmes-Chambertin Grand Cru	£480.00 / SIX
<u>2011</u> Charmes-Chambertin Grand Cru	£399.00 / SIX
<u>2010</u> Charmes-Chambertin Grand Cru	£420.00 / SIX

## Côte de Beaune based growers – North to South:

### REMI ROLLIN, PERNAND-VERGELESSES – [Domaine-Rollin.com](http://Domaine-Rollin.com)

2017: there is very good freshness this vintage and the white wines are crisp, fresh, mineral and very intense without losing their poise / finesse. One of the very great Corton Charlemagne wines produced and this vintage was very successful and with excellent balance with freshness. The reds show lovely purity with excellent depth, balance, elegance.

Corton-Charlemagne Grand Cru <b>BLANC</b> - <i>intense and superbly balanced. Grand Cru intensity. Will keep well.</i>	£450 / SIX
Pernand-Vergelesses <b>BLANC</b> - <i>This is a great value, complex white Burgundy. Can be drunk young or will age.</i>	£120 / SIX
Pernand-Vergelesses 1er Cru Isle de Vergelesses - <i>Pure red strawberry fruits with lovely energy and purity.</i>	£180 / SIX

### FOLLIN-ARBELET, ALOXE-CORTON – [Domaine-Follin-Arbelet.com](http://Domaine-Follin-Arbelet.com)

By Zubair & David. This 4.5ha domaine continues to produce some of the finest and most exciting wines in the Cote d'Or and deserves serious attention. Franck Follin achieves great finesse in his wines and these show superb depth of fruit with clear expression of terroir. Concentration, yet with great elegance. The recent run of vintages has been quite wonderful with great wines even in the more difficult vintages – one of the key tests of a vigneron. His are refined and sensual wines from Aloxe and Corton – hard to imagine from such normally more structured and tannic 'cool' terroirs. Hence why Franck focuses on the silky side of Pinot – compared to some people's oaked-up extracted body-builders. Wonderfully pure and refined wines with a beautiful texture and elegance. Franck started the domaine only in 1990, following geology studies. Premier Cru holdings arrived in 1993, and the amazing deal that gave them RSV and Corton Charlemagne came along in 1996. In 2014-2016 they planted some Pernand Blanc and their own Corton Charlemagne; in 2017 Franck's son Simon joined. The 2018 vintage has produced concentrated yet immensely refined wines in the Follin style with excellent balance and purity and the usual terrific *terroir* expression.

Pernand-Vergelesses 1er Cru En Caradeux <b>BLANC</b> – <i>small quantity. Saline minerality with finesse and elegance.</i>	£219 / SIX
Corton-Charlemagne Grand Cru <b>BLANC</b> – <i>fantastic wine this vintage. All poise, minerality and precision.</i>	£525 / SIX
Pernand Verglesses Rouge 1er Cru les Fichots - <i>supreme elegance and finesse. Stylish. Terrific value.</i>	£162./ SIX
Aloxe-Corton Villages – <i>as usual. a top villages. Supple and pure for Aloxe and very inviting. Delicious.</i>	£168 / SIX
Le Corton Grand Cru – <i>transparent and super-fine as ever. An exceptional terroir and understated class.</i>	£465 / SIX
Corton Bressandes Grand Cru – <i>more structured and backward. Excellent quality of ripe tannins. Need time.</i>	£465 / SIX
Romanee St. Vivant Grand Cru – <i>exotic, rich, ripe, hedonistic and very complex. True grand Cru density and power.</i>	£855 / <b>THREE 75cl</b>

## LUCIEN CAMUS-BRUCHON, SAVIGNY-LES-BEAUNE

Luc's son Guillaume has fully taken over and this domaine continues to make very fine wines from 9ha sustainably farmed old vines and excellent terroir, whilst offering outstanding value. Sadly Luc passed away last year but Guillaume continues the great work. The wines show pure, ripe, supple fruit with great harmony and balance. They have a wonderful elegance and are approachable young but with the ability to age extremely well. Lavieres 1C was planted 1960s: Narbontons 1C in 1950s. A very successful range again this vintage with open, supple fruit and superb quality of tannins.

Beaune 1er Cru Clos Du Roi – *Always a gem and consistently delivers terrific pleasure at a modest price. Sensual.* £180 / SIX  
Savigny-les-Beaune 1er Cru Narbontons – *Earthy, mineral and with structure. Wonderful complexity of fruit.* £153 / SIX  
Savigny-les-Beaune 1er Cru Lavieres – *More structured and mineral. Has great balance and finesse.* £147 / SIX

## HENRI BOILLOT PERE ET FILS, VOLNAY AND MEURSAULT - [Henri-Boillot.com](http://Henri-Boillot.com)

By Zubair and David. It now goes without saying that Henri Boillot and son Guillaume have yet again produced some of the greatest red, AS WELL AS the already sought after white wines of the vintage. From 2017 two major developments took place. Firstly, they have sourced a new hydraulic press, one of the finest pieces of equipment a winemaker can call upon. Secondly, the reds are now all barrel-fermented, mostly whole cluster, in 350L & 500L casks with wide-apertures to enable grape-flow. This is the simply THE greatest way to integrate small-batch red wine and their vessels. Many have tried it before, mostly all stopping because it's more work, and calls for a cooper to visit the cellar. Of all the world's fine wine regions which employ small casks, Burgundy is THE epicentre for experimenting with slightly larger formats, with Henri Boillot at the heart of it, having started back in 1996. His 6th generation son Guillaume joined in 2008, initially taking responsibility for both viticulture and the red wines, already raised in 350L casks. The label was only created in 2005: prior to 2004, Henri made wine under his father's label, Domaine Jean Boillot. Lastly, in 2019, Henri purchased the nearby organic Domaine Henri Darnat, including the 0.74ha Meursault 1C monopole Clos Richemont, planted to vines over sixty years. **All wines are bottled in 75cl bottles unless otherwise stated as below.**

### HENRI BOILLOT WHITE WINES:

Bourgogne Chardonnay **BLANC**  
Meursault **BLANC**

Meursault 1er Cru les Poruzots **BLANC**  
Meursault 1er Cru les Charmes **BLANC**  
Meursault 1er Cru les Genevrières **BLANC**  
Meursault 1er Cru les Perrieres **BLANC**  
Puligny-Montrachet **BLANC**

Puligny-Montrachet 1er Cru Clos de la Mouchere **monopole BLANC**

Puligny-Montrachet 1er Cru les Pucelles **BLANC**  
Puligny-Montrachet 1er Cru les Caillerets **BLANC**  
Puligny-Montrachet 1er Cru les Perrieres **BLANC**  
Puligny-Montrachet 1er Cru les Combettes **BLANC**  
Corton-Charlemagne Grand Cru **BLANC**  
Batard-Montrachet Grand Cru **BLANC**  
Chevalier Montrachet Grand Cru **BLANC**

**MAGNUMS 150cl** £132 / **THREE MAGS**  
£246 / SIX  
**HALVES 37.5cl** £270 / **DOZEN HALVES**  
£360 / SIX  
£399 / SIX  
£480 / SIX  
£540 / SIX  
£228 / SIX  
**HALVES 37.5cl** £258 / **DOZEN HALVES**  
£495 / SIX  
**HALVES 37.5cl** £528 / **DOZEN HALVES**  
**JEROBOAM 300cl** £375 / **ONE 300CL**  
£471 / SIX  
£480 / SIX  
£495 / SIX  
£495 / SIX  
£399 / **THREE**  
£1095 / **THREE**  
£1530 / **THREE**

### HENRI BOILLOT RED WINES:

Bourgogne Rouge £99 / SIX  
Pommard 1er Cru Rugiens £399 / SIX  
Pommard 1er Cru Clos Blanc £360 / SIX  
Volnay 1er Cru les Chevrets £360 / SIX  
Volnay 1er Cru les Fremiets £360 / SIX  
Volnay 1er Cru les Caillerets £399 / SIX  
Latricieres-Chambertin Grand Cru £480 / **THREE 75cl**  
Clos de Vougeot Grand Cru £390 / **THREE 75cl**  
Echezeaux Grand Cru £480 / **THREE 75cl**  
Bonnes-Mares Grand Cru £699 / **THREE 75cl**  
Chambertin Grand Cru £699 / **THREE 75cl**

## MICHEL LAFARGE, VOLNAY – [DomaineLafarge.fr](http://DomaineLafarge.fr)

By Zubair & David. This 12ha domaine run by Frederic & Chantal Lafarge is on top form. Their old-vines from massale selections are cordon-trained, and cared for by bio-dynamic principles since early trials started 1990-1997. Wines see max.15-20% new oak, in a lo-fi cellar that dates back to 1200s. Simplicity itself. Yet these are some of the greatest, most age-worthy wines produced in Burgundy. They have always been pale, pre-modern, unreconstructed Burgundies, some of the very greatest wines in the Cote de Beaune, an easy match to the best in the Cote de Nuits. We do not believe that the Cote de Nuits always deserves higher scores, and we also have perfectly stored back vintages for those who want to deepen their cellars in this rich vein. Lafarge are THE producer who define the potential of Beaune 1C Rouge, via their bottlings of Greves and Aigrots. Sadly, Michel Lafarge passed away aged 91 in January 2020, having never really retired. He joined the domaine aged 18 in 1946, taking over in 1967, and continually expanded their holdings, with their justly famed focus on old vines and massale selection.

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## **MICHEL LAFARGE - continued**

Here's Clive Coates MW: back in 2008 'Michel Lafarge is one of the shrewdest winemakers in Burgundy, and a perfectionist.' He was joined by son Frederic in 1978, and grand-daughter Clothilde in 2018. A truly great vintage here for which to remember one of Burgundy's greatest ever *vignerons*, Michel Lafarge. NB: in this vintage of 2018 there is also a special, one-off *cuvée* of Bourgogne Passetoutgrains from the very oldest vines in this vineyard named "Anthologie" to commemorate Michel's and the vineyard's 90th year and which is to be bottled only in 150cl magnums.

### **KEY VINEYARD HOLDINGS – BY CHANTAL LAFARGE & DAVID:**

- Beaune Aigrots 1C **BLANC** - 0.23ha bought 2005, planted 1988
- BPTG L'Exception - 1ha planted 1926 - i.e. TVV
- Beaune.Greves 1C - 0.38ha bought 1954, planted 1951
- Beaune Aigrots 1C - 0.66ha bought 2005, planted 1949, 1964 & 2012
- Volnay.Mitans 1C - 0.39ha bought 2005, planted 1952&1976
- Volnay.Caillerets 1C - 0.3ha bought 2000, planted 1957
- Volnay.Clos des Chenes 1C - 0.9ha planted 1951-1971
- Volnay.Clos des Ducs monopole 1C - 0.57ha, planted 1946 to 1985, plus 2000
- Pommard.Pezerolles 1C - 0.14ha planted 1967

Beaune 1er Cru Clos des Aigrots <b>BLANC</b> - <i>Complex and intensely mineral. A wine that ages superbly. Excellent.</i>	£270 / SIX
	<b>MAGNUMS 150cl</b> £555 / <b>SIX</b>
Meursault <b>BLANC</b> - <i>Very fine, mineral and prue. A great succes this vintage. Will age well.</i>	<b>MAGNUMS 150cl</b> £375 / <b>SIX</b>
Meursault Vendanges Sélectionnées <b>BLANC</b> - <i>A selection of the oldest vines from their Meursault vines. Terrific intensity and energy. Also very age-worthy.</i>	<b>MAGNUMS 150cl</b> £411 / <b>SIX</b>
Bourgogne Passetoutgrains L'Exception – <i>Incredible wine. Very old vines. Really over-delivers!! Will age.</i>	£75 / SIX
Bourgogne Passetoutgrains L'Exception " <b>Anthologie</b> " – <i>Just a very, very special wine. From the oldest vines at this vineyard.</i>	<b>MAGNUMS 150cl</b> £135 / <b>THREE</b>
Côtes de Beaune Villages - <i>This is of Volnay level. Complex, lovely balance and excellent value.</i>	£150 / SIX
Beaune 1er Cru Clos des Aigrots	£279 / SIX
	<b>MAGNUMS 150cl</b> £573 / <b>SIX</b>
Beaune 1er Cru les Greves	£309 / SIX
Volnay Vendanges Sélectionnées	£240 / SIX
Volnay 1er Cru les Mitans	£585 / SIX
Volnay 1er Cru Clos Des Chenes	£600 / SIX
Volnay 1er Cru Clos Des Chateau Des Ducs Monopole	£600 / SIX
Volnay 1er Cru les Caillerets	£600 / SIX
Pommard 1er Cru les Pezerolles - <i>on the Volnay side of Pommard. Old vines and sublime finesse.</i>	£600 / SIX

## **THIERRY ET BERNARD GLANTENAY, VOLNAY**

By David and Zubair. Glantenay started to bottle in the 50s, though until recently sold off most wine, to two of the most reputed "boutique" negoce in Burgundy. Quietly confident son Thierry joined father Bernard in 2000, and took control as recently as 2005. The domaine is predominantly red: 7ha of old vines across Volnay and Pommard, with just a spot of Puligny. They prune hard to take 35 to 40hl/ha at most, and the low yield combined with vine age gives Volnay wines with extra depth and Pommards with extra dimension to join the structure. Thierry works in lutte raisonnee, i.e. sustainable agriculture. So far, no anti-rot sprays, no herbicide: the soil is worked. The grapes are hand-picked, undergo natural fermentation, either de-stemmed OR with whole clusters in some wines, a little pigeage at the start, and no pumping. The wines see a small % of new where they can take it. The wines show their old-vine origins with depth and vinosity: older vintages tasted recently are all wonderfully classy and complex, yet are totally true to their vintage. A serious domaine.

### **VINEYARD DETAILS – BY THIERRY & DAVID:**

- Puligny-Montrachet 1C Folatieres – 0.4ha planted 1958, bought 1979 by Louis. S.E. exposure, hard shallow soil
- Bourgogne Rouge - 3 parcels average 30yrs, below Volnay village in lieux-dits Condemaine, En Vêves, Monpoulain
- Volnay Village ~1.5ha, average 45yrs old. Incl. 25% Volnay 1Cs L'Ormeau & Les Lurets, plus lieux-dits Lurets, Grands Poisets, Buttes
- Volnay Brouillards 1C - Glantenay's largest holding, 1.5ha VV planted 1947 & 1955
- Volnay Santenots 1C – 0.68ha in two parcels within Meursault village, planted 1989 & 1997. Yields kept to max. 25hl/ha
- Volnay Clos de Chenes 1C – 2 parcels: one VV planted 1938 on brown limestone with clay, one higher up planted 2002 on white marl
- Volnay Caillerets 1C – 0.18ha planted 1962. S.E.facing
- Pommard Saussilles 1C - 0.8ha planted 1925 – so TVV - on unknown rootstock. It's above Epenots 1C, next to Clos des Mouches 1C.
- Pommard Rugiens 1C- 0.2ha planted 1935 – VV. Yes, Grand Cru stature. Red iron-rich earth.

Puligny-Montrachet 1er Cru Folatieres <b>BLANC</b> – <i>old vines and a great terroir. Has real density and texture.</i>	£285 / SIX
	<b>MAGNUMS 150cl</b> £600 / <b>SIX MAGS</b>
Bourgogne Rouge - <i>a great value. Full of fruit and Volnay character. Delicious.</i>	£93 / SIX
Volnay - <i>of premier cru quality. A very fine villages of great finesse and charm. Also has structure to keep well.</i>	£159 / SIX
	<b>MAGNUMS 150cl</b> £348 / <b>SIX MAGS</b>
	<b>JEROBOAM 300cl</b> £130 / <b>ONE 300cl</b>
Volnay 1er Cru Brouillards - <i>a superbly balanced wine. Open and full of dark fruits. Creamy and ripe.</i>	£210 / SIX
	<b>MAGNUMS 150cl</b> £444 / <b>SIX MAGS</b>
	<b>JEROBOAM 300cl</b> £163 / <b>ONE 300cl</b>
Volnay 1er Cru Santenots - <i>a complex and seriously fine wine from a great terroir. Great intensity and balance.</i>	£249 / SIX
Volnay 1er Cru Clos des Chenes - <i>backward and concentrated. This needs time but has huge potential.</i>	£264 / SIX
Volnay 1er Cru les Caillerets - <i>mineral, pure red fruits. Super-fine and complex. Great expression of this terroir.</i>	£318 / SIX
Pommard 1er Cru Saussilles - <i>vines almost 100 years old. Ethereal as always. Pure rose petals and so, so fine.</i>	£270 / SIX
Pommard 1er Cru Rugiens - <i>profound, complex and very fine yet the density of a grand cru. Terrific showing.</i>	£315/ SIX

## DOMAINE DES TERRES DE VELLE, AUXEY-DURESSES - [TerresDeVelle.fr](http://TerresDeVelle.fr)

By Zubair and David. Sophie and Fabrice Laronze are a young couple who started this 6+ha domaine in just 2009, and have progressed rapidly into one of most exciting new domaines in the Cote de Beaune. Both were previously chez Alex Gambal for 10 years, Fabrice as winemaker and Sophie in marketing. There is an emphasis on an organic method of working in the vineyards and the cellars. The winery itself is an 'old' C.19<sup>th</sup> mill, just 500m upstream from the Moulin Aux Moines, also on the Velle stream. They have been very fortunate to acquire superbly well-placed terroirs, some with extremely old vines.

### VINEYARDS DETAILS – IN DEPTH (AS OF 2015):

- Bourgogne Rouge – 0.89ha in 2 parcels: the 0.69ha Champ l'Huillier at Corpeau (Puligny), & 0.2ha Montpoulains below Volnay
  - Monthelie 1C Les DuresSES – 0.17ha of E-facing 30yr old vines pruned to Cordon de Royat on Oxfordian red soil with clay and pebbles. Late-ripening, yielding max.900btl
  - Volnay Ez Blanches – 0.34ha of S.E-facing >50yr old vines high up in Volnay on limestone. Max 1800 btl
  - Volnay 1C Ronceret – 0.21ha pf S.E-facing 30yr old vines pruned to Cordon de Royat, just below Les Champans 1C on clay-limestone with many pebbles and little topsoil, max.1100btl
  - Bourgogne BLANC – 1.13ha in 3 parcels: 0.39ha Les Canottes, 0.08ha Les Grands Clos Perrons, 0.67ha Les Pellans (actually Meursault appellation), all below Puligny & Meursault. Max.6000btl
  - Chassagne La Platiere BLANC – 0.34ha S.E-facing 20yr old vines on clay, giving max.2000btl
  - Puligny – 0.29ha in 2 parcels: 0.21ha of 60yr old Les Nosroyes & 0.08ha of 30yr old Les Levrons, below Perrieres 1C, S.E-facing. Max.1900btl
  - Puligny Les Referts 1C BLANC – 0.12ha of 30yr S.E-facing vines between PM Les Perrières 1C Meursault Les Charmes 1C on limestone. Max.750 btl.
  - Meursault – 0.26ha in 2 parcels: 0.12ha Les Crotots, 0.15ha Les Grands Charrons, both ~30yrs on clay-limestone. Max.1800 btl.
  - Meursault Les Luchets – 0.36ha of E-facing VV vines planted 1936 on porous clay-limestone. Max.1300 btl.
  - Meursault Les Charmes Dessous – 0.16ha S.E-facing next to Puligny VV planted 1936 on oolitic limestone, giving max.600 btl. **(CONTD)**
- Bourgogne Rouge Cotes d'Or - pure and full of red fruits. Supple and juicy. Excellent value. £81 / SIX  
Volnay Ez Blanches – *an amazing terroir of white soil. Old vines give intensity and a piercing minerality. Unique.* £159 / SIX  
Volnay 1er Cru Ronceret – *this shows structure with depth of ripe fruit. Good concentration and Volnay finesse.* £216 / SIX

- Bourgogne **BLANC** Cotes d'Or - *very good depth of fruit and a nice minerality. Juicy and more-ish* £81 / SIX  
Chassagne Montrachet La Platiere **BLANC** - *a wine of great texture and depth of fruit with wonderful freshness.* £186 / SIX  
Puligny Montrachet **BLANC** - *fresh and mineral with creamy notes and great elegance. Wonderful village wine.* £198 / SIX  
Puligny-Montrachet 1er Cru les Referts **BLANC** - *old vines give a terrific expression of this top terroir. Superb.* £270 / SIX  
Meursault Villages **BLANC** - *a delightful open villages wine. Lovely mouth filling fruit with fine balance.* £168 / SIX  
Meursault les Luchets Vieilles Vignes **BLANC** - *1936 vines giving a wine of great concentration & intensity. Super.* £198 / SIX  
Meursault 1er Cru les Charmes **BLANC** - *saline, mineral and with depth and concentration. A great expression.* £270 / SIX

## DOMAINE YVON CLERGET, VOLNAY - [www.domaine-clerget.com](http://www.domaine-clerget.com)

The Clerget family have a long history in the village of Volnay. The current proprietor and wine-maker of this family is the young and dynamic Thibaud Clerget who is the twenty-eight generation of his family to make wines in Volnay and Pommard. According to records, the family have been in the region since 1268. In 2009 Yvon Clerget (Thibaud's father) decided to retire. Thibaud apprenticed under the great Henri Boillot and the domaine Hudelot-Noellatin Vosne-Romanee. When Thibaud finished his studies, he returned to take over the family domaine and 2015 was his first proper vintage. Since then he has garnered a formidable reputation for wines of exquisite finesse and poise from what are normally very structured terroirs. This is a domaine to follow without hesitation. Farming Practice is *lutte raisonnée* with as little intervention as is required. Vines are, on average, around 50 years old with a lot much older. Winemaking and work in the cellar is traditional with a balanced use of new oak (never excessive) and yields are low, well-controlled giving wines of depth, concentration and complexity. It is the precise and meticulous work in the vineyards that allows the individual terroirs to really express themselves.

### Vineyard holdings - All RED except the Meursault

- Bourgogne Pinot Noir "Les Longbois" and Les Durots" - 0.35ha
- Volnay Villages "Les Petits Gamets" et "Les Durots" - 0.35ha
- Volnay 1er Cru les Santenots - 0.68ha
- Volnay 1er Cru Carelle sous la Chapelle - 0.65ha
- Volnay 1er Cru Clos du Verseauil - **MONOPOLE** - 0.68ha (*Situated between the great Volnay 1er cru's of Taillepieds and Clos de la Bousse d'Or*)
- Volnay 1er Cru les En Champans - 0.05ha
- Volnay 1er Cru les Caillerets - 0.47ha
- Pommard 1er Cru les Rugiens - 0.85ha
- Clos de Vougeot Grand Cru "Grand Maupertuis" - 0.32ha
- Meursault "Les Chevalières" **BLANC** - 0.37ha

- Meursault "Les Chevalières" **BLANC** - *very fine and well-balanced. Lovely texture with balancing freshness.* £198 / SIX  
Bourgogne Rouge - *a delightful introduction to the Clerget style: stylish and open, pure red fruits.* £90 / SIX  
Volnay Villages - *transparent and very pure. Open and quite delicious. Super village wine.* £165 / SIX  
Volnay 1er Cru les Santenots - *there is 20% new oak here. Red fruits with excellent, ripe tannins. Will age well.* £225 / SIX  
Volnay 1er Cru Carelle Sous Chapelle - *high proportion of old vines. Mineral and pure. Excellent balance.* £225 / SIX  
Volnay 1er Cru Clos du Verseauil - **MONOPOLE** - *individual, this has great energy and concentration. Superb.* £294 / SIX  
Volnay 1er Cru Caillerets - *From 75yo vines. Fresh, perfumed rose-petal. Old vine intensity and depth.* £153 / **THREE 75cl**  
Pommard 1er Cru les Rugiens - *a combination of Rugiens Bas and Haut. Deep, rich, profound and serious.* £348 / SIX  
Volnay 1er Cru les Champans - *tiny production, small plot. Bottled in magnums. Fabulous. **MAGNUMS 150cl*** £330 / **THREE MAGS**  
Clos de Vougeot Grand Cru - *this has 40% whole bunch. A super-fine Clos Vougeot of wonderful complexity.* £324 / **THREE 75cl**

## ALAIN GRAS, ST. ROMAIN - [Domaine-Alain-Gras.com](http://Domaine-Alain-Gras.com)

By Zubair and David. Alain works very hard and his wines can be found in almost every three-star Michelin restaurant in France. His obsession outside of work is game shooting and fishing for the table, which comes in handy. These are all really very fine, high-noted, food-flattering wines, and also remain **excellent value**. He blends dozens of parcels from around St. Romain to make a balanced village white and red in around 20% new oak, in his family cellar at the highest part of St. Romain. This exercise in restraint is a priceless model to many a Burgundy domaine. Exceptional value. **NB well-stored back vintages of red are available, including many in MAGNUMS.**

Saint-Romain <b>BLANC</b> – <i>a peerless example of a fine, understated and superbly balanced white Burgundy.</i>	£231 / DOZEN
Saint-Romain Rouge – <i>aromatic, pure crystalline red fruits and cherries. Harmonious and incredibly drinkable.</i>	£231 / DOZEN
Auxey-Duresses Rouge de Tres Vieilles Vignes– <i>wonderful wine from over 105 year old vines. Intense and pure.</i>	£279 / DOZEN
<b>MAGNUMS 150cl</b>	£282 / SIX MAGNUMS

## HENRI PRUDHON, ST AUBIN – [Henri-Prudhon.fr](http://Henri-Prudhon.fr)

By Zubair and David. Prudhon are an excellent, reliable and great value sustainable estate - and **great value!** We focus on these two excellent terroirs which are less "sunny", higher up in altitude, which really aids with freshness and precision. Prudhon typify the wave of St.Aubin owning vigneron who manage crop and barrel-ferment sensitively with little new oak, which has given rise to St. Aubin's newfound status as a top village for whites in the Cote de Beaune. En Remilly is a 0.27ha parcel planted 1991 on the plateau above the Grands Crus of Puligny/Chassagne – it's creamy and fine. La Chateniere is a tiny 0.11ha steep parcel planted in the 1960s, producing around just 800 bottles in a good year – it's more stoney and mineral, with great harmony. These two wines are highly recommended and deliver terrific value for their excellent quality.

St Aubin 1 <sup>er</sup> Cru En Remilly <b>BLANC</b>	£120 / SIX
St Aubin 1 <sup>er</sup> Cru La Chateniere <b>BLANC</b>	£120 / SIX

## JEAN-CLAUDE BACHELET, GAMAY by ST. AUBIN – [DomaineBachelet.com](http://DomaineBachelet.com)

The young Bachelet brothers, Benoit & Jean-Baptiste, are taking wines of the highest quality from their 10ha of mostly old vine parcels, farmed in BD without certification. There is the **extra-ordinary Chassagne Rouge Vieilles Vignes**. This is from vines over 80 years old and shows a very deep colour with mineral, crunchy Chassagne Pinot fruit yet with wonderfully ripe tannins and great freshness. This has superb quality tannins and great balance. The St Aubin 1er Cru Rouge is also quite special, also with great intensity and terrific character. These over-deliver in terms of character and price.

St Aubin 1er Cru Derriere la Tour Rouge - <i>an extra-ordinary old vine cuvee of terrific density and concentration.</i>	£132 / SIX
Chassagne-Montrachet Rouge Vieilles Vignes - <i>mineral, crunchy Chassagne Pinot fruit yet with wonderfully ripe tannins and great freshness.</i>	£156 / SIX

## MARC COLIN, ST. AUBIN – [Marc-Colin.com](http://Marc-Colin.com)

A very great 19ha domaine famous for its white wines, historically always in the top echelon. The red wines here also deserve greater attention as they are very fine. From the 2016 vintage there have also been some changes as Damien and his sister Caroline are now proprietors of Domaine Marc Colin. Their other brother has mutually and amicably agreed to create his own domaine thus taking his share of vineyards. So from and including the 2016s the relevant changes to our selection of wines are as below. Quantities are more normal for this excellent vintage of 2018.

### NOTES ON NEW CUVEE NAMES:

- St.Aubin **BLANC** 1er Cru Sentier du Clou, & Chassagne Blanc 1er Cru Chenevottes have been lost
- St. Aubin **BLANC** Fontenotte has been renamed "Cuvée Luce" after the siblings' maternal grandmother (it now also contains a small parcel of St Aubin Blanc En Vermarin.)
- Chassagne Montrachet **BLANC** Encégnières has been renamed "Cuvée Margaux" after their paternal grandmother (it is now blended with a little bit of "Puits Merdreux".)

Saint Aubin Cuvée Luce <b>BLANC</b> - <i>a terrific wine with effortless drinkability and purity of fruit. Delicious.</i>	£126 / SIX
Saint Aubin 1er Cru En Montceau <b>BLANC</b> - <i>superbly situated. This is of Puligny premier cru level. Brilliant wine..</i>	£198 / SIX
<b>MAGNUMS 150cl</b>	£204 / THREE MAGS.
Chassagne Montrachet Villages Cuvée Margaux <b>BLANC</b> - <i>very old vines give this wine texture and great length.</i>	£210 / SIX
<b>MAGNUMS 150cl</b>	£216 / THREE MAGS.
<b>JEROBOAM 300cl</b>	£156 / ONE JERO.
Puligny Montrachet Les Enseignières <b>BLANC</b> - <i>Superbly located terroir near Grand Cru. Crystalline and fine.</i>	£210 / SIX
<b>JEROBOAM 300cl</b>	£156 / ONE JERO.
Chassagne Montrachet 1er Cru Les Vide-Bourses <b>BLANC</b> - <i>unique, complex personality. A fabulous terroir.</i>	£330 / SIX
Batard Montrachet Grand Cru <b>BLANC</b> - <i>a great Grand Cru. More on great finesse and elegance than richness</i>	£305 / ONE 75cl
<b>MAGNUM 150cl</b>	£615 / ONE MAG
Le Montrachet Grand Cru <b>BLANC</b> - <i>one of the best white wines produced in Burgundy every year. Complete wine.</i>	£605 / ONE 75cl
Santenay Rouge Vieilles Vignes Champ Claude (TVV) – <i>Vines well over 100 years old. Ethereal and super-fine.</i>	£120 / SIX
Chassagne-Montrachet Rouge Vieilles Vignes Rouge - <i>1956 and 1985 vines. In a supple and pure red fruits style.</i>	£120 / SIX

## DOMAINE BERNARD MOREAU ET FILS, CHASSAGNE-MONTRACHET

Domaine Moreau is an excellent source of top white Burgundy at still affordable prices! This 14ha 'organic-uncertified' domaine continually impresses us for its considered and meticulous approach to both vineyard work and winemaking. Alexandre et Benoit joined in 1995 & 1999: a rare example of siblings pulling together, like chez Pignier or Prudhon. Both red and white are very pure with ripe, crystalline fruit and clear, focused expression of each terroir. There is great attention to detail and this domaine is fast becoming one of the best sources of wine in this village, and this Cote, with reputation following suit. A domaine to follow without hesitation.

### PARTICULARLY OLD VINES:

- Chassagne Montrachet Rouge VV – 3.7ha planted 1960-1965
- Chassagne Montrachet Chevenottes 1C BLANC – 0.34ha planted 1955-1960
- Chassagne Montrachet Grands Ruchottes 1C BLANC – 0.3ha planted 1939

St. Aubin 1 <sup>er</sup> Cru Sur Gamay <b>BLANC</b> - usual premier cru Puligny quality level. Great terroir and a lovely wines.	£174 / SIX
Chassagne-Montrachet <b>BLANC</b> - A great 'village' of premier cru quality. Terrific balance and depth. Super.	£195 / SIX
	<b>MAGNUM 150cl</b> £204 / <b>THREE MAGS.</b>
	<b>JEROBOAM 300cl</b> £170 / <b>ONE JERO.</b>
Chassagne-Montrachet 1 <sup>er</sup> Cru la Maltroie <b>BLANC</b> - Very intense with great depth and super balancing acidity.	£300 / SIX
Chassagne-Montrachet 1 <sup>er</sup> Cru les Chenevottes <b>BLANC</b> - Creamy and mineral. Linear and intense. Lovely.	£300 / SIX
Chassagne-Montrachet 1 <sup>er</sup> Cru les Morgeot <b>BLANC</b> - A fine expression of this big cru. Elegance and finesse.	£315 / SIX
Chevalier-Montrachet Grand Cru <b>BLANC</b> – <u>negoce</u>	£1098 / <b>THREE</b>
Batard-Montrachet Grand Cru <b>BLANC</b> – <u>negoce</u>	POA / <b>THREE</b>
Chassagne-Montrachet Rouge Vieilles Vignes - Crunchy, pure Pinot Noir fruit. A great value and just delicious.	£117 / SIX
Chassagne-Montrachet Rouge 1er Cru la Cardeuse <b>Monopole</b> - Great Chassagne Rouge. A classic wine that ages superbly and consistently delivers outstanding complexity young and especially with age.	£243 / SIX
Volnay 1er Cru Santenots - 50% whole bunch. Complex, mineral and pure with a hint of spice. Terrific.	£246 / SIX

## DOMAINE JEAN-MARC VINCENT, SANTENAY

By Zubair & David. Jean-Marc & Anne-Marie Vincent are one of the great couples of the Cote d'Or, like Alain & Isabelle Hasard. Or Henri & Marcelle Jayer in their day... Their joint 'secret' is that their 5ha vineyards are almost garden sized, which the wives are in charge of, and can stay on top of. The men help in the vines, and run the cellar. Jean-Marc is very focused, widely read, and gives great thought to his work, to what, and why they do things - both in the vineyards and in the cellar. So they have been through organics, biodynamics, and since over 5 years been more inspired by Fukuoka and forest-farming. But what does this mean in practice? Well, it means a living, free-range progressive reading of BD, rather than blindly following the ideas of one lecture delivered in 1924. The vine density is very high, with the vines allowed to grow tall. Vine cuttings are left on the floor to build up carbon-rich earth and increased texture. Yields are low. He uses ambient yeast, and only clarifies if the wine doesn't fall bright. There is not much new oak and the stone cellar smells sweetly of white Burg, not of damp, mould, new oak. In his mind he wants to make the greatest wine in the world – and if he doesn't – it is only because his terroir will not allow. Consequently, we also consider him to be one of the very greatest farmer wine-makers of the Cote d'Or, with great value to boot. He also makes superb wines with his small negoce operation. Santenay now has a 'phare-domaine', necessary for the visibility of any village. **Please ask for further availability for other Jean-Marc Vincent wines. Most wines are pre-allocated.**

Montagny 1er Cru **BLANC** - a negoce wine. This is superbly crafted from fabulous fruit and shows excellent balance and freshness. A real joy and will also keep well. £120 / SIX

## AMI WINES, PARIS L'HOPITAL, COTE DE BEAUNE - [PaulPerarnau.wixsite.com/vinami](http://PaulPerarnau.wixsite.com/vinami)

AMli wines is Willy Roulendes, the wine-making genius behind Clos du Moulin aux Moines, along with his friend Paul Perarnau. Launched in 2015. Cellar at Paris L'Hopital in the Maranges valley. 'Negoce paysan.' Ambient yeast; organic-uncertified, additive free winemaking; low added SO2. From domaine and purchased grapes. Fabulous, precise, contemporary winemaking. Very clean and pure with terrific expression and concentration. **All wines come highly recommended.** NB: there are a couple of **2017** wines below (as marked) which we have added here as they were quite delicious and come highly recommended and did not feature in last year's offer. All are from the 2018 vintage unless otherwise marked.

'Gamnot Rouge' Vin de France - delicious field blend of Gamay (60%) and Pinot Noir aged in older barrels. Lovely	£78 / SIX
Bourgogne Rouge "Albin" - from domaine vines near St Aubin. Juicy and truly delicious.	£99 / SIX
Maranges Rouge 1er Cru Clos Rousseau	£150 / SIX
Pommard Villages	£207 / SIX
<b>2017</b> Volnay Villages	£192 / SIX
<b>2017</b> Pommard 1er Cru les Poutures	£258 / SIX
Bourgogne <b>BLANC</b>	£99 / SIX
Cote de Beaune <b>BLANC</b>	£108 / SIX
Santenay 1er Cru Clos Rousseau <b>BLANC</b>	£165 / SIX

## Côte Chalonnaise & Maconnais based growers:

### **DOMAINE MICHEL BRIDAY, RULLY – [Domaine-Michel-Briday.com](http://Domaine-Michel-Briday.com) -**

Stephane Briday continues to make great progress at this 16ha sustainable domaine, in the Terra Vitis program. They are a source for delicious, very approachable, supple wines which always wines show their terroir, and with excellent value.

Rully 1er Cru Gresigny **BLANC** - *top 1er cru. Vines over 60yo. All about finesse and complexity. Intense and mineral.* £210 / DOZEN  
Rully Clos de Remenot **BLANC** - *very old vines. This is remarkably intense and concentrated. Wonderful wine.* £210 / DOZEN  
Rully Les Quatre Vignes - *open, crunchy red fruits with vibrant Pinot Noir fruit. Always so attractive.* £159 / DOZEN  
Rully 1er Cru Les Champs Cloux - *more structure, cherries, darker fruits and concentrated. Will age well.* £198 / DOZEN  
Rully 1er Cru Les Pierres - *a unique terroir of white limestone, small pebbles/stones. Complex, mineral and fine* £210 / DOZEN

### **ALAIN HASARD - LES CHAMPS DE L'ABBAYE, ALUZE, CHALONNAISE**

By David. Alain and Isabelle initially started in 1996, as non-Burgundians, in the unheard of Côte du Couchois to the West of the Chalonnaise and made thrilling wines, only to decide that it was too off the beaten track: no one visited! Alain's vinification practice was however fixed there, and by 2003 they were buying land in the Chalonnaise, selling in the Couchois. They now have some 6ha mostly situated in the Chalonnaise, plus new plantings in Monthelie in the Côte de Beaune, and five children. The secret, if it is still one, is that Isabelle looks after the vines (and kitchen garden), and Alain the cellar plus vines. This is also how Jean-Marc Vincent of Santenay pulls the rabbit out of the hat in each vintage, and someone else rather more famous in his time. It is my assertion that there are very, very few as gifted in the Côte d'Or itself... Alain is also a rare vigneron to have a lovely disarming laugh and lightness of touch – a generosity and charm fully reflected in his wines.

They practice biodynamic farming of high density, small-berry Pinot Fin selections in red. The yields are low: they prune for a max of 35-40hl/ha in white, 25-30hl/ha in red. (In 2003 he took just 12hl/ha, in 2011 under 5hl/ha after hail.) Hand harvest with triage in the vines, de-stem, circa just one week maceration for Pinot, a practice started in 2003, with ambient yeast ferment. This basically means a good pre-ferment soak, then basket press, and most of the fermentation occurring in open wooden fermenters, before elevage in approximately 30% new barriques, which one cannot taste. He seldom racks, and bottles with high residual CO<sub>2</sub> (circa 600mg/l) and low SO<sub>2</sub> with just 2g/hl, i.e. 20mg/l at bottling. 'Je ne veut pas extraire, je ne veux pas corriger' he says simply. So the new wines come out rather Fourrier-esque - all star bright, juicy and mineral. Why anyone wine lover would buy a lesser grower (or negociant) in a famed terroir, and get little realisation of albeit grander potential, than buy Hasard with their 100% realisation rate, I cannot fathom.

Young, the reds benefit from decanting and large pinot glasses, and the open bottles hold for over a week. The wines are true to the best attributes of the vintage. Nobody has (yet) made a Pinot outside of Burgundy I would rather drink than an Hasard. The production in a "normal healthy vintage" is 18,000 bottles per year. Below are listed all wines available.. Please **do not forget the stunning white wines** (and also his excellent Cremant - when available!) as they also follow his exacting standards and are also of sublime quality. Please see below for more general notes regarding the different wines/terroirs below and also the more recent vintages.

#### **VINEYARD DETAILS:**

-Bourgogne BLANC. - Young vines in Aluze of 15yrs. Delicious and a delight with concentration and character.  
-Rully Cailloux BLANC - 35yr old vines on mineral plateau situated above Margote 1er cru.  
-Bourgogne Cote Chalonnaise Les Gardes ROUGE - 35yr old vines on limestone. 'Takes 2/3 yrs to get going'  
-Bourgogne Cote Chalonnaise Clos des Roches (Pendants) ROUGE - 55 plus year old vines, S.facing  
-Mercurey Brigadiere ROUGE - 0.46ha of 55yr old vines  
-Mercurey Marcouers ROUGE - 0.80ha, part young part old vines: a flat early site.

#### **2018s EN PRIMEUR:**

2018 Bourgogne Côte Chalonnaise **BLANC** les Amourettes - *from tiny yields, intense, mineral and fresh* £84 / SIX  
2018 Bourgogne **BLANC** - *small crop, very concentrated yet retains freshness and minerality* £78 / SIX  
2018 Rully **BLANC** La Chatalienne - *a special terroir. Floral, fine and pure. 40 year old vines. Fabulous, complex* £105 / SIX  
2018 Bourgogne Rouge Côte Chalonnaise Les Claveaux - *new terroir for Hasard on marnes blanches. Pure, fine* £78 / SIX  
2018 Mercurey Rouge La Brigadiere - *juicy, open, floral and complex. Always so gourmand.* £105 / SIX  
2018 Mercurey Rouge Les Marcoeurs - *perfumed, fine red fruits. More on reserve. Superb structure.* £105 / SIX  
2018 Monthelie Rouge Les Sous Roches - *mineral expression of this rocky soil. Super complexity and finesse.* £126 / SIX

#### **ALAIN HASARD - OLDER IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE VINTAGES ARE AS LISTED BELOW:**

2017 Bourgogne **BLANC** - *vines in Aluze. Concentrated and fine. Starting to open but very fresh and young.* £78 / SIX  
2015 Bourgogne **BLANC** - *creamy, fresh and well-balanced. Lovely texture and depth. Great value.* £168 / DOZEN  
2017 Rully la Chatalienne **BLANC** - *always linear and precise. All in finesse and harmony. Joyous.* £105 / SIX  
2016 Rully Les Cailloux **BLANC** – *all in bio now. Superb depth and balance. "Cool" and fine.* £114 / SIX  
2015 Rully Les Cailloux **BLANC** – *all in bio now. Wonderful depth and freshness. Will keeps well.* £198 / DOZEN  
2013 Rully Les Cailloux **BLANC** – *a Rully hors classe. Very fine, filigree and mineral. Pure.* £198 / DOZEN  
2012 Rully Les Cailloux **BLANC** – *another exceptional wine from this great terroir. Terrific.* £198 / DOZEN

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## ALAIN HASARD (continued)

<b>2016</b> Bourgogne Rouge Clos des Roches - <i>this always punches above its level. Terrific depth and length. Excellent. Complex and terroir driven with fresh Pinot red fruits and a precise mineral finish.</i>	£156 / DOZEN
<b>2017</b> Mercurey Rouge La Brigadière - <i>floral, fine and very juicy. Bright red fruits and just a real delight.</i>	£105 / SIX
<b>2017</b> Mercurey Rouge Les Marcoeurs - <i>less structured than usual with supple, ripe tannins and finesse.</i>	£105 / SIX
<b>2016</b> Mercurey Rouge Les Marcoeurs - <i>more backward. Denser, darker as normal. Superb quality of tannins and great concentration. Great energy and structure. Will keep very well.</i>	£108 / SIX
<b>2013</b> Mercurey Rouge Les Marcoeurs - <i>backward, as usual. Denser, darker. Great intensity, complex</i>	£204 / DOZEN
<b>2012</b> Mercurey Rouge Les Marcoeurs – <i>more backward. Denser, darker. Noble tannins. To keep.</i>	£207 / DOZEN
<b>2016</b> Mercurey Rouge La Brigadiere - <i>50% whole bunch gives this great complexity and finesse. Supple and refined tannins with a complex and very fine finish.</i>	£108 / SIX
<b>2012</b> Mercurey Rouge La Brigadiere - <i>elegant, fine, pure Pinot. Flateur but will keep. Open</i>	£207 / DOZEN
<b>2013</b> Mercurey Rouge La Brigadiere - <i>hint of cassis with great purity. Juicy and ripe. Excellent.</i>	£207 / DOZEN
<b>2015</b> Mercurey Rouge La Brigadiere - <i>Dense, ripe yet supremely well balanced. Terrific wine.</i>	£213 / DOZEN
<b>2017</b> Monthelie Rouge Les Sous Roches - <i>always mineral and stony. Wonderful terroir to fruit expression.</i>	£126 / SIX
<b>2016</b> Monthelie Rouge Les Sous Roches - <i>very mineral, stoney, structured and very fresh. Also 50% whole bunch. Serious wine which will benefit with keeping. Terrific presence and depth. Wonderful.</i>	£129 / SIX
<b>2015</b> Monthelie Rouge Les Sous Roches - <i>always mineral and dense. Complex - needs cellaring</i>	£255 / DOZEN
<b>2013</b> Monthelie Rouge Les Sous Roches - <i>late picked, to gain maximum ripeness of tannins in this normally cool terroir. Great depth, exquisite balance. Tiny yield: a serious vin de garde with most wonderful balance of ripe tannins, freshness, energy</i>	£249 / DOZEN
<b>2010</b> Monthelie Rouge Les Sous Roches - <i>more structured, very fresh. Starting to show complexity.</i>	£255 / DOZEN
<b>2009</b> Monthelie Rouge Les Sous Roches - <i>a recent purchase of vines. First vintage. Dense, floral, with great structure. This is starting to drink now and is delightful and very fine.</i>	£255 / DOZEN

## DOMAINE BESSON - GIVRY, CHALONNAISE

Xavier and Guillemette Besson own ~8ha of Givry, having inherited the estate in 1989 from Xavier's parents. Most of the vines are in the immediate area around the domaine (or chateau, really) with Les Grands Prétans vineyard basically their backyard. The domaine is still quite small, but this makes it easier to work by hand with an aim for low yields and ripe fruit. The vineyards are grown in clay soil, with a deep bedrock of limestone from vines that are 30 yrs old on average. The fermentation is all done with indigenous yeasts after a brief 3-5 day cold maceration. Aging takes place for 12 months in a combination of large 500 litre and traditional 228 litre barriques – 50% new. The combination of old vines, conscientious vineyard work, and reasonable yields, all contribute to the crowd pleasing, balanced wines that Besson produces. Farming from superb vineyards like 'Les Grands Prétans' and 'Les Bois Gautiers' both in Givry and their very old vines in Beaune, Besson always provides superb Burgundy value: concentrated and densely expressive with brilliant perfume, heady fruit, and a silky mouth feel.

Givry Le Haut Colombier - <i>From a parcel of Le Petit Prétan that is not 1er Cru. Always great value. This shows lovely, pure Pinot Noir fruit with some depth and concentration. This vintage has real weight of fruit. Delicious, terrific value.</i>	£75 / SIX
Givry 1er Cru Les Bois Gautiers - <i>This is a superbly placed one hectare of land replanted by the Bessons with low-yielding Pinot Noir plants. Argilo-calcaire, small stones and a wonderfully perfumed, floral, complex and very elegant. Terrific value.</i>	£93 / SIX
Beaune 1er Cru Rouge les Champs Pimonts - <i>from old vines (70 years old), this has remarkable finesse and complexity with concentration and great depth. There is great freshness from the old vines. Will age extremely well. Superb.</i>	£138 / SIX

## DOMAINE SAUMAIZE-MICHELIN, VERGISSON by FUISSÉ – [Domaine-Saumaize-Michelin.com](http://Domaine-Saumaize-Michelin.com)

A fabulous range of wines, as is to be expected in this yet another great vintage from this superb 9ha domaine, one of the best in Pouilly-Fuisse. Roger Saumaize's biodynamic (uncertified) work in the vineyards is meticulous with great attention to detail, and he also works as naturally as possible so that the roots of the vines go as deep as possible for extra complexity. These wines will drink well young but have the concentration to age well too. The wines show the different terroirs extremely well and retain amazing purity. Most of the wines below have been vinified and aged in barrel. The 2018 is a great vintage here with all the wines showing clearly their *terroir* and offering great freshness and crystalline purity.

Pouilly-Fuisse Clos sur la Roche <b>BLANC</b> - <i>a top terroir. Superb concentration and aerien complexity and finesse.</i>	£225 / DOZEN
Pouilly-Fuisse Vers Cras <b>BLANC</b> - <i>structured, superb texture and concentration. Aerien. Long and pure - stunning.</i>	£225 / DOZEN
Pouilly-Fuisse La Maréchaude <b>BLANC</b> – <i>Vergisson terroir. Very complex and refined. Mineral and long, Superb.</i>	£225 / DOZEN
	<b>Magnums (6)</b> £243 / <b>SIX MAGS</b>

**2016** Pouilly-Fuisse Ampelopsis **BLANC** - **NB this is from the 2016 vintage.** *It is an assemblage of selected, very special barrels from their four favourite terroirs, raised a year in barrel plus 10 further months on fine lees in tank. It is always one of the greatest Pouilly Fuisse wines we taste each vintage. Quite remarkable intensity & concentration yet very fresh and elegant. Will cellar well.* £300 / DOZEN

## Offer ends

*NB: all notes are by Zubair unless otherwise stated.*