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BURGUNDY 2021 EN PRIMEUR: BACK TO THE FUTURE



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It's a pleasure to present our 2021 Burgundy Review. As many of you are aware, it is once again one of (very) low yields, mother nature is increasingly unpredictable. However, the 2021 vintage has in places flourished, ushered by waves of excitement for the quality of both white and red wines. Andrew and I were delighted to plan our return to the Côte d'Or and taste the latest vintage; an experience we never take for granted. It is quite simply a moment in time where we are incredibly fortunate to be given the opportunity to taste direct from the barrel and discuss openly with producers about all their hard work in both the vineyard and cellar, over the last 12 months.

Many producers described 2021 as a "classic Burgundy vintage" where bright, vibrant, and charming wines in both colours have been produced. They believe it is a vintage that harks back to the future and is comparable to those from the late 1980s and early 1990s/2000s. Head Winemaker at Domaine Faiveley, Jérôme Flous, described 2021 as a "classic, perfumed and elegant" vintage, noting it reminded him of 1991 and 2007, whereas Nicolas Potel of Maison Roche de Bellene declared, "I like this vintage... it suits my style!" drawing similarities to 2002 for the reds, as well as 2014 and 2017 for white wines.

Nevertheless, 2021 was a challenging vintage for producers, which in our experience resulted in quality variation across the board. It must be said that overall, we were pleasantly surprised by what we found in the glass; balanced, elegant, and sophisticated wines. However, the inevitable price increases that come together with such a low yielding vintage, made it imperative to be more discerning in our buying policy. When tasting En Primeur we are looking for true expression; that of terroir, balance, structure, purity, and harmony. I have personally tasted Burgundy En Primeur for over 20 years and have worked with many of these winemakers throughout this period; I still have as much respect for their craft now, as I did when I first started. It is also moving to see several Domaines now fully embrace their next generation who have been patiently waiting in the wings such as Paul Chavy (Domaine Jean-Louis Chavy), Vincent Girard (Domaine Jean-Jacques Girard) as well as Côte de Nuit's Young Winemaker of the Year 2022, François Ambroise (Domaine Ambroise), all of whom have honed their craft by spending time in the vineyard and the cellar with parents and grandparents, and are now ready to continue in their footsteps.

Furthermore, as your independent wine merchant it is our job to search for new and exciting Domaines. From smaller, up-and-coming appellations that we kindly refer to as 'petits villages', to more famous communes, we are thrilled to welcome Capuano-Ferreri from Santenay, and Château de Laborde from Gevrey-Chambertin to our 2021 En Primeur offering.

Vintage and growing conditions

Winter 2020-21 was mild and rainy, yet spring arrived several weeks earlier than usual due to abnormally warm temperatures (25-28°C) in late March, which provoked an advanced budburst and caused concern regarding the notorious early-budding Chardonnay. Growers were given a break from the threat of spring frost in 2020, yet not in 2021, as on the nights of 5th - 8th of April there was a bout of devastating "black frost" which saw temperatures plummet to unfathomable lows of -8°C... sadly, despite vigneron's best efforts via a sea of 'bougies' (candles), state-of-the-art wind turbines, and even helicopters, nothing could mitigate its destructive effects.

As a result, many producers in Meursault, Puligny-Montrachet, and Chassagne-Montrachet as well as surrounding petits villages subsequently lost between 30-80% of their potential crop. Pinot Noir didn't escape unscathed either, however, as it buds later than Chardonnay it was spared the worst of the sub-zero temperatures, though yields have been reduced between 30-50% on average.

The weather in the remainder of spring and leading into early summer was cool and wet, yet thankfully temperatures warmed up in time for flowering in June. Unfortunately, the rain and colder weather returned in late July, with twice the average rainfall causing issues for several producers in the form of disease pressure in the vineyards. Caroline Parent-Gros at Domaine AF Gros told us "2021 is the smallest crop ever at the Domaine since its creation in 1988. The effects of the terrible spring frost were compounded further by mildew and odium attacks in July, which when combined, resulted in a 60% yield loss at the Domaine".

The rest of summer saw warm and relatively sunny weather conditions right the way through until the harvest began, with Domaines starting to pick between 21st - 27th September for both whites and reds. It was noted by many producers that this was one of the longest growing seasons on record at roughly 120 days (the norm in Burgundy is 100 days after flowering begins). Of course, the decision to pick is always dependent on vineyard management, house style as well as winemaker preferences.

Reds: our vintage score 8.5 / 10

A good vintage that has produced some charming, forward wines full of summer berry fruits and delicate floral tones (in comparison to darker fruit found in more recent "solar" vintages). We believe the best value to be found is Village and Premier Cru levels from Domaines AF Gros, Ambroise and Rossignol-Trapet, regardless of appellation. These wines will provide great pleasure and drinkability in youth due to wonderful fruit purity and vibrancy; yet also have the potential to age mid-term in the cellar.

Whites: our vintage score 9 / 10

A very good vintage that has created precise, energetic, and elegant wines with an emphasis on citrus and white stone fruit (as opposed to more tropical verging exotic fruit from recent warmer years). Again, we feel the best value is found at both Village and Premier Cru levels from Domaines Capuano-Ferreri, Jean-Louis Chavy, and Vincent Latour, regardless of appellation. Irrespective of whether you prefer them youthful or with a bit of bottle age, these wines have superb tension, energy and vivacity that won't disappoint.

What the critics say

Following on from several “solar” years there is no denying that the 2021 vintage is a change in style from what we have become accustomed to in recent warmer vintages (2015-2020). The hand that Mother Nature dealt the vigneron undoubtedly made things more challenging, so what are the leading critics thoughts?

Charles Curtis MW (Decanter) remarked in his article **Burgundy 2021: What to expect** “*Top red Burgundy from the Côte de Nuits should be delicious. The best growers made perfumed, elegant wines with no hint of green on the nose and silky tannins. The body of the wines generally is light, and the vintage is more about perfume than power.*” Curtis further stated, “*of the Côte de Beaune, the best wines are lively and fresh, with firm acidity, bright, lemony fruit and noticeable minerality. Wines of substance and depth will reward ageing for at least a decade.*”

Additionally, Jancis Robinson MW also stated in her article **Burgundy 2021: Not a washout** “*I fear the reputation of 2021 is likely to be dogged by the record small quantity and ungenerous summer... It’s quite possible that those connoisseurs who treasure the delicacy and perfume that used to distinguish red burgundy will find 2021 particularly to their liking.*”

Our Buying Policy

We continuously review our En Primeur buying policy based on the performance of each vintage, with a focus on sourcing wines that we believe are the best from each appellation. We can therefore give you, the customer, a more personal and tailored service to suit your requirements and palate. We are very happy to talk you through the vintage and discuss what will best suit your cellar/palate.

Please be aware that as always, but even more so in vintages such as 2021 with drastically low yields, many wines are sold under allocation to those who have purchased them in previous years. However, if you are interested, please do let us know and we will do our very best to accommodate your request.

Our tasting notes are written from samples tried with producers direct from barrel at the Domaines, unless stated otherwise. As I am sure you will appreciate there is a lot of work that goes into producing this report, so a big thank you to my fellow Wine Buyer and En Primeur taster; Andrew Ray, who travelled to Burgundy in November with me, and has been instrumental in creating this report. I do hope you enjoy.

Our best wishes,
James Goodhart and Andrew Ray

Key

IB: Prices quoted are In Bond (exempt of Duty and VAT).

EST: An estimated price as confirmed pricing and allocations have yet to be released.

ON ALLOCATION: Wines that are sold on an allocation basis, please contact the office if interested.

RECOMMENDED: A favourite from our Domaine tastings.

NEW: A new wine offered in our En Primeur campaign.

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DOMAINE / ROCHE DE BELLENE*Recommendations from the 2020 vintage.*

Savigny-Les-Beaune Rouge	£110 IB (per 6)
Nuits-Saint-George VV	£165 IB (per 6)
Cuvée Réserve Rouge	£130 IB (per 12)
Gevrey-Chambertin VV	£195 IB (per 6)
Chambolle-Musigny VV	£240 IB (per 6)
Vosne-Romanée VV	£240 IB (per 6)

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Please note that all En Primeur wines are sold In Bond (excluding UK VAT and Duty) by the case as stated. They do, however, include shipping costs and insurance into our UK bonded warehouse at Moor Park.

The wines will arrive in Winter 2024. Once they have physically arrived, if you wish to transfer your wines to another UK bonded warehouse or have them released from Bond to a UK mainland address, please be aware that UK Duty, VAT, and/or delivery and logistic charges will be applicable.

For further information, please contact a member of the Private Client Team. E & OE.

OUR RECOMMENDATIONS

WHITE WINES

Under £250 IB (per 12 bottles)

Vincent Latour Bourgogne Chardonnay	£115 IB (6x75cl)
Jean-Jacques Girard Pernand-Vergelesses 'Les Belles Filles' Blanc	£115 IB (6x75cl)
Jean-Louis Chavy Bourgogne Chardonnay	£115 IB (6x75cl)
Séguinot-Bordet Chablis 1 ^{er} Cru 'Fourchaume'	£118 IB (6x75cl)
Gérard Thomas Saint-Aubin 'Champ Tirant'	£120 IB (6x75cl)
Samuel Billaud Chablis 'Les Grands Terroirs'	£240 IB (12x75cl)

Between £250 - £500 IB (per 12 bottles)

Capuano-Ferreri Santenay Blanc 'Vielles Vignes'	£145 IB (6x75cl)
Samuel Billaud Chablis 1 ^{er} Cru 'Montmains'	£395 IB (12x75cl)
Gérard Thomas Puligny-Montrachet 'Le Trézin'	£215 IB (6x75cl)
Sylvain Bzikot Meursault	£230 IB (6x75cl)
Capuano-Ferreri Chassagne-Montrachet 1 ^{er} Cru 'Cuvée Prestige'	£245 IB (6x75cl)
Jean-Louis Chavy Puligny-Montrachet	£250 IB (6x75cl)

Over £500 IB and excluding Grand Cru (per 12 bottles)

Vincent Latour Meursault 'Cuvée St. Jean'	£285 IB (6x75cl)
Gérard Thomas Chassagne-Montrachet 1 ^{er} Cru 'Les Chenevottes'	£295 IB (6x75cl)

RED WINES

Under £250 IB (per 12 bottles)

Jean-Jacques Girard Bourgogne Pinot Noir	£130 IB (12x75cl)
Château de Laborde Bourgogne Pinot Noir 'Cuvée H'	£75 IB (6x75cl)
Ambroise Bourgogne Pinot Noir 'Vieilles Vignes'	£90 IB (6x75cl)

Between £250 - £500 IB (per 12 bottles)

Faiveley Mercurey 'La Framboisière'	£280 IB (12x75cl)
Jean-Jacques Girard Beaune 1 ^{er} Cru 'Clos du Roi'	£160 IB (6x75cl)
Faiveley Monthélie 1 ^{er} Cru 'Les Champs Fulliot'	£160 IB (6x75cl)
Ambroise Nuits-Saint-Georges Vieilles Vignes'	£195 IB (6x75cl)
Château de Laborde Gevrey-Chambertin 'Aux Ételois'	£245 IB (6x75cl)

Over £500 IB and excluding Grand Cru (per 12 bottles)

Rossignol-Trapet Beaune 1 ^{er} Cru 'Les Teurons'	£260 IB (6x75cl)
Château de Laborde Chambolle-Musigny	£260 IB (6x75cl)
Ambroise Vosne-Romanée 'Aux Damaudes'	£270 IB (6x75cl)
Ambroise Nuits-Saint-Georges 1 ^{er} Cru 'Rue de Chaux'	£340 IB (6x75cl)
AF Gros Gevrey-Chambertin	£380 IB (6x75cl)

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SÉGUINOT-BORDET



Domaine Séguinot-Bordet is the oldest producer in Chablis with records dating back to 1590 with 20-hectares under vine consisting of 2.5-hectares of Petit Chablis, 16-hectares of Chablis and 1.5-hectares of Premier Cru Chablis. Winemaker Jean-François Bordet places particular emphasis on obtaining the best fruit possible through careful pruning and de-budding, as well as harvesting at optimum ripeness. In the cellar, cool fermentation allows the wines to mature for 2-5 months on their lees, which in turn creates pure, luscious wines.

Petit Chablis 2021

£132 IB (12x75cl)

Located at the top of the slope above Maligny where the combination of limestone and Kimmeridgian clay create bright, vibrant, and approachable wines.

“Bright aromas of lemon citrus, green apple, and green pear with a touch of verbena florality. Lively and energetic on the palate with zippy acidity and good tension and minerality for a Petit Chablis. Similar citrus and green fruit core with white pepper spice.” Drink 2023-2026. (JG/AR. Tasted at Moor Park in December 2022)

Chablis 2021 (screw cap)

£142 IB (12x75cl)

Grapes come from south and southeastern facing plots near Maligny and have an average age of 25-40-years old. Again, the iconic Kimmeridgian clay produces wines with classic citrus fruit and underlying flinty characteristics.

“Vibrant and enticing nose of lemon citrus fused ripe peach, and apricot. Crisp and clean on the palate underpinned by refreshing, racy and mineral-driven acidity that provides structure and backbone to the wine. A concentrated core of lemon verging grapefruit citrus intermingles with more white stone fruit and dashes of white pepper spice. Seriously good Chablis.” Drink 2023-2028. (JG/AR. Tasted at Moor Park in December 2022)

Chablis 1er Cru 'Fourchaume' 2021

RECOMMENDED

£118 IB (6x75cl)

Situated in the north of the appellation along the right bank of the River Serein, nestled in between the Premier Cru vineyards of 'L'Homme Mort' and 'Vaulorent' where vines have an average age of 45-60-years old. It is without a doubt, one of the best Premier Crus in Chablis.

"Intense aromas of green and red apple, citrus peel, and honeysuckle as well as deft flinty undertones. Impressive power, richness, and finesse on the mid-palate supported by a great streak of linear, taught acidity that cuts through the further citrus fruit dominant core and lemon sherbet infused finish. Bravo."
Drink 2023-2030. (JG/AR. Tasted at Moor Park in December 2022)

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SAMUEL BILLAUD



Samuel Billaud is part of an esteemed Chablis family and was the former head winemaker at the iconic Domaine Billaud-Simon. After a family feud, he left the family Domaine and decided to go it alone – a bold and masterful move. Samuel built a new winery in the heart of Chablis, and crafts excellent wines from Village to Grand Cru level using both his own vines (after reclaiming parcels of Les Clos and Vaudésir Grand Cru), as well buying in grapes from only the very best *climats* using his deep-rooted connections with vigneron in the village.

Samuel Billaud is without a doubt one of Chablis' rising stars with Neal Martin (Vinous), William Kelley (Wine Advocate), and most recently Jasper Morris MW (Jasper Morris: Inside Burgundy) having touted him as one of the region's top producers alongside François Raveneau and Vincent Dauvissat.

Bourgogne d'Or 2021

£200 IB (12x75cl)

100% Chardonnay with 1/3 grown in Chablis, and the remaining 2/3 sourced from the Mâconnais.

Created initially due to low yields of his other wines in 2016, it has now become a permanent part of his portfolio.

"A mix from the Auxerrois and Mâconnais, all vinified in tank, and bottled at the end May. Pale colour, with a light touch of sulphur after bottling, but a pretty and floral bouquet behind. Light and fresh with an attractive grapey quality. Tastes more Auxerrois than Mâconnais." Drink 2023-2025. 86/100 points. Jasper Morris MW (Inside Burgundy June 2022)

Chablis 'Les Grands Terroirs' 2021

RECOMMENDED

£240 IB (12x75cl)

Only 50% was produced due to the spring frost and most of the fruit comes from two parcels: 'Pargues' as well as 'Bas de Chapelots'.

"The usual three plots yielding an acceptable 25-30hl/ha. Fine and pale colour, the bouquet is correct but discreet, while showing Samuel's habitual finesse. Really quite steely on the palate with a little squeeze of citrus, and impeccable length. Another tribute to the brilliance of Samuel Billaud's vinification." Drink 2024-2027. 89-92/100 points. Jasper Morris MW (Inside Burgundy June 2022)

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Chablis 1er Cru 'Montmains' 2021

RECOMMENDED

£395 IB (12x75cl)

One of the best Chablis Premier Cru vineyards thanks to its long, narrow trajectory that catches the morning sun and creates wonderfully pure wines.

"Pale lemon colour. Once again, the nose is discreet but fine. Actually, I can still taste the straight Chablis which immediately preceded this! Crisp, stony, then a light vegetal touch with some lemon juice as well. Detailed finish, long and fine. Still very youthful. 15 hl/ha." Drink 2025-2028. 91-93/100 points. Jasper Morris MW (Inside Burgundy June 2022)

Chablis Grand Cru 'Bougros' 2021

ON ALLOCATION

£450 IB (6x75cl)

Undeniably one of the best Chablis Grand Cru climats. Located on the right bank of the river Serein, it has a remarkable south-east exposure and is also the steepest slope of all Grand Crus, which helps to produce full-bodied, rich Chablis for the long haul.

"Like all Samuel's Grands Crus this is fermented and aged for 12 months in 450 litre oak demi-muids followed by 6 months in stainless steel vats. Rich and powerful with fine weight and concentration allied to crisp acidity." Charles Taylor MW

Chablis Grand Cru 'Blanchots' 2021

ON ALLOCATION

£480 IB (6x75cl)

The most easterly of all Chablis Grand Cru vineyards, where the location on clay-limestone soils and extended sunshine hours creates a refined and sophisticated wine. The parcel is in the centre of the vineyard and vines have an average age of 35 to 40-years-old.

"Blanchots lies at the eastern end of the Grands Crus adjacent to Les Clos. Fine, honeyed fruit, a touch of oak and an impressive, long aftertaste." Charles Taylor MW

Chablis Grand Cru 'Vaudésir' 2021

ON ALLOCATION

£480 IB (6x75cl)

A blend of two parcels; one facing east, and the other facing west where the former brings freshness, and the latter maturity. It is aged in two-year-old oak for one year, before moving to tank for the second winter.

"A touch oakier as the demi-muids are new and 1 year old. Has great concentration of fruit, splendid minerality and a delightful salinity on the finish." Charles Taylor MW

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GÉRARD THOMAS ET FILLES



Gérard Thomas was in control of this Saint-Aubin estate since 1982, however, his two daughters (Isabelle and Anne) now run it. Gérard has expanded organically by purchasing vines throughout the Côte de Beaune with acquisitions in both Chassagne- and Puligny-Montrachet, and today own a combined total of 12-hectares. Several passes through the vineyards during harvest ensure optimum ripeness; harvesting is done by hand with careful treatment of complete bunches to avoid oxidation. All wines are barrel fermented with 25% new oak (renewed annually), followed by ten months in barrels with regular lees stirring to add depth. In our opinion Gérard Thomas et Filles is one of Saint-Aubin's finest producers and offers some of the best value wines in the Côte de Beaune.

Isabelle told us "Sadly we did not escape the spring frost and lost about 40% of production. However, it could have been worse like across in Puligny-Montrachet or Meursault. We waited for full ripeness and picked on 20th September 2021... we were surprised we still made 40 hectolitres per hectare and we're very pleased with the results!"

Saint-Aubin 'Champ Tirant' 2021

RECOMMENDED

£120 IB (6x75cl)

Found to the west of the village where it borders the Premier Cru vineyard 'Les Castets'. The combined 1.63-hectares of vines on a gentle limestone slope produces one of the most consistent and best value White Burgundies in our portfolio.

"Bright, slightly floral nose with honey suckle, white stone fruits and added green apple fruit. The palate is juicy with lots of pure green apple, pear, and citrus fruit. Wonderful vibrant and fresh thanks to zippy acidity." Drink 2023-2028 (JG/AR. Tasted at the Domaine with Isabelle in November 2022)

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Saint-Aubin 1er Cru 'Les Murgers des Dents de Chien' 2021

£150 IB (6x75cl)

1.82-hectares of vines planted between 1981 and 1999. It borders the Puligny-Montrachet Premier Cru vineyards 'Champs Gains' and 'La Garenne' on the east and located above 'Chevalier-Montrachet' Grand Cru.

"More concentrated than the Champ Tirant with an expressive nose of white stone fruit, green apple, and clove spice. Further power and complexity on the mid-palate with an abundance of exotic fruit fused with uplifting, racy pineapple acidity and embedded layer of mineral complexity. There's lovely balance here that flows onto long through onto a lingering green apple finish." Drink 2024-2032. (JG/AR. Tasted at the Domaine with Isabelle in November 2022)

Puligny-Montrachet 'Le Trézin' 2021

RECOMMENDED

£215 IB (6x75cl)

0.52-hectares of vines planted in 1973 and 1978. A hidden gem at the top of the slope bordering the Premier Cru vineyards of 'La Garenne' and 'Sous Le Puits'.

"Green apple and greengage fruit with a touch of citrus and subtle oak come through on the nose. The palate offers more exotic fruit; specifically white peach fused with caramelised apple/tarte tatin and the creamy, rounded, and juicy texture with a touch of spice adds weight and complexity. Plenty of energy and direction that will benefit from a couple of years in the bottle." Drink 2024-2032. (JG/AR. Tasted at the Domaine with Isabelle in November 2022)

Puligny-Montrachet 1er Cru 'La Garenne' 2021

£295 IB (6x75cl)

A 0.57-hectare parcel where vines date back to 1983. This is the highest vineyard of all the Puligny-Montrachet Premiers Crus situated at the top of the hill on the Meursault side of the appellation.

"Touch more depth and concentration than Le Trézin. Mainly green apple fruit integrated with delicate white pepper spice. Smooth, pure texture on the palate with multi-layered green apple, apricot, and white peach as well as a touch of nectarine. There's wonderful energy, freshness, and minerality that gives the wine a linear edge and structure, as well as good length. It's close in style to the excellent 2017, albeit with slightly less concentration yet still with that gorgeous purity and precision." Drink 2025-2034. (JG/AR. Tasted at the Domaine with Isabelle in November 2022)

Chassagne-Montrachet 1er Cru 'Les Chenevottes' 2021

RECOMMENDED

£295 IB (6x75cl)

A small holding of just 0.32-hectares of vines planted in 1975, 1985 and some replanting in 2016. It is situated very close to 'Le Montrachet' Grand Cru.

"The star of the show from the Domaine this year. Exotic, ripe, and concentrated nose of apricot, and green apple integrated spice with a slightly floral note of honeysuckle. Multi-layered and complex on the palate with generous exotic, yellow fruit such as pineapple, mango, and apricot. Juicy, bright, and uplifting acidity gives the wine a seamless balance and precision with further green and citrus fruit with added white pepper spice leading into a long-lasting finish." Drink 2025-2032. (JG/AR. Tasted at the Domaine with Isabelle in November 2022)

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CAPUANO-FERRERI (NEW)



Domaine Capuano-Ferreri is a fine 8-hectare estate with extensive holdings in both Santenay as well as Chassagne-Montrachet. The estate is run by John Capuano who increases production, and when possible (to 12 hectares), with the purchasing of grapes via long-term contracts with trusted growers. The wines are all vinified in barrels at the magnificent cellars in the centre of Santenay and, until very recently, over two thirds of the production was sold in France. We are therefore delighted to include Domaine Capuano-Ferreri to our portfolio in this year's offer.

John informed us he decided to wait until 26th September so he could harvest fully ripe grapes and was extremely rigorous when sorting the fruit, which has in turn produced fresh, vibrant whites and pure, luscious reds.

Santenay Blanc 'Vielles Vignes' 2021

NEW / RECOMMENDED

£145 IB (6x75cl)

A blend of three parcels where vines have an average age of 40 to 45-years-old. The major share of the blend comes from 'La Comme Dessus' on the Chassagne-Montrachet border with Chassagne-Montrachet Premier Cru 'Les Baudines', as well as 'Saint-Jean' and 'Les Vaux' to the south of the village.

"A seriously complex and concentrated nose of lemon, grapefruit and with integrated spice and subtle oak undertones (30% new). More exotic fruit on the mid-palate with added peach, mango, and mandarin fruit. Serious, well defined structure with energy and focus. Fused with uplifting acidity that is married beautifully with the multi-layered fruit. Classy, lingering finish. This could easily be mistaken for a Chassagne-Montrachet." Drink 2023-2028. (AR/JG. Tasted at the Domaine with John Capuano in November 2022)

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Chassagne-Montrachet 'Cuvée Prestige' 2021

NEW / RECOMMENDED

£245 IB (6x75cl)

A combination of two parcels to the south: one from 'Champs Morgeots' and the other next door from 'Les Benoittes'. Fortunately, vines located on the lower slope sections were not affected at all by the frost and so production is around 20-22 barrels. 30% new oak.

"Enticing, inviting nose of lemon, green apple, and mangos with a hint of quince spice. Luscious, creamy verging silky complexity and texture on the palate complemented by impressive power and definition with oyster shell minerality adds tension and drive. Wonderful purity, precision, and balance throughout that flows into a long, persistent finish." Drink 2024-2032. (AR/JG. Tasted at the Domaine with John Capuano in November 2022)

Santenay Rouge 'Vieilles Vignes' 2021

NEW

£145 IB (6x75cl)

Made from a selection of the Domaine's oldest Pinot Noir plantings.

"Charming and attractive aromas of concentrated, ripe summer berries. On the palate there's generous red and black savoury fruit; black raspberry, bramble and tayberry leading into a focused core that is well-knitted together thanks to the uplifting, juicy acidity providing balance to the touch of spice on a long, generous finish. A crowd pleaser and we preferred it over their Premier Cru La Comme." Drink 2024-2030. (AR/JG. Tasted at the Domaine with John Capuano in November 2022)

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SYLVAIN BZIKOT / BZIKOT PÈRE ET FILS



Sylvain Bzikot's grandfather fled Poland and arrived in Burgundy just before the Second World War, and in time, steadily built up the Domaine in the post-war years when land was plentiful and cheap. Sylvain and his wife, Béatrice, now tend 14-hectares of vines in Puligny-Montrachet, including the Premier Cru sites 'Les Folatières' and 'Les Perrières', as well as the famous lieu-dit 'La Rousselle'. For a long time, most of the crop was sold in bulk to négociants, until Sylvain's arrival in the 1990s, when he took the decision to bottle under the name Domaine Bzikot Père et Fils. They also produce wines from grapes purchased and jointly managed from trusted, long-term contracted growers through their négociant label: Sylvain Bzikot.

Sylvain Bzikot Bourgogne Blanc 2021

£90 IB (6x75cl)

Grapes come from vines near Puligny-Montrachet and shares all its attributes, except the price tag!

"Bright and lifted aromas of lemon, green apple, and peach. Crisp and clean on the palate with zippy acidity that fuses with further citrus fruit and mineral, white pepper spice." Drink 2023-2027. (JG/AR. Tasted at the Domaine with Sylvain Bzikot in November 2022)

Sylvain Bzikot Meursault 2021

RECOMMENDED

£230 IB (6x75cl)

Blend of four parcels from 'Les Grands Charrons' and 5 parcels from Meursault Villages. Sadly, due to the frost there was no parcel from 'Narvaux' used in this year's wine. Sylvain tends to the 50-year-old vines himself, maintaining the highest standards in terms of both vineyard management, and winemaking.

"Expressive and enticing aromas of lemon and green apple with undertones of smoky toasted oak (30% new) and honey. Ample and generous on the palate with a creamy, rounded texture that is well balanced on the mid-palate thanks to the uplifting, juicy acidity that keeps everything in check. A further core of citrus and white stone fruit combines seamlessly with wild honey, integrated toasted oak and almond spice." Drink 2026-2034. (JG/AR. Tasted at the Domaine with Sylvain Bzikot in November 2022)

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Bzikot Père et Fils Puligny-Montrachet 2021

£245 IB (6x75cl)

A combination of ten separate parcels from throughout the village combine to create this Puligny-Montrachet that is Premier Cru quality in all but name.

“Classic green apple, lemon, and white peach nose. Powerful and structured with a creamy, luscious texture that coats the mouth and is underpinned by uplifting acidity and further core of white stone fruit, green apple, and pear. Plenty of concentration and complexity on the harmonious finish.” Drink 2027-2037. (JG/AR. Tasted at the Domaine with Sylvain Bzikot in November 2022)

Bzikot Père et Fils Puligny-Montrachet 1er Cru ‘Les Folatières’ 2021 ON ALLOCATION £350 IB (6x75cl)

The largest and quite possibly the finest Premier Cru vineyard in Puligny-Montrachet. Vines are located near the famous ‘Le Montrachet’ Grand Cru and have an average age of 55 to 60-years old.

“Much richer and riper on the nose (in comparison to Puligny-Montrachet ‘La Rousseille’) with lemon citrus, peach and apricot intertwined with deft floral tones. Rich and generous yet extremely bright and vibrant on the mid-palate with great energy that reverberates throughout the palate and into a long, linear, and persistent finish. Bravo, Sylvain!” Drink 2028-2040. (JG/AR. Tasted at the Domaine with Sylvain Bzikot in November 2022)

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JEAN-LOUIS CHAVY



Jean-Louis Chavy is based in the heart of Puligny-Montrachet where he has 7-hectares of vines (his share of the family estate: Domaine Gérard Chavy), which was split between his younger brother, Alain, and himself. Production is split approximately 25% Bourgogne Blanc, 50% Village and 25% Premier Cru (including holdings of 'Le Champ Gain', 'Le Clavoillon', 'Les Perrières' and 'Les Folatières'). His wines represent such good value that he has a long waiting list of merchants desperate for an allocation; therefore, naturally we are delighted to receive ours once again.

Jean-Louis painfully informed us "the warmer than usual weather in March (26 °C) pushed on even more the early-budding Chardonnay and sadly the spring frost on the night of 7th April had a devastating effect. We lost 75% of our potential crop... it was a real blow! For example, this year I have only made 5 barrels of Puligny-Montrachet 1er Cru 'Les Folatières', rather than the average of 30-35."

Bourgogne Chardonnay 2021

RECOMMENDED

£115 IB (6x75cl)

A combination of four parcels that totalling roughly 2-hectares from younger vines from vines with an average age of 75-years-old.

"Delightful nose of citrus and white stone fruit infused with a touch of honeysuckle. The palate is generous with exotic fruits; pure pineapple, peach, and mango balanced with a fresh, uplifting acidity giving this impressive tension for a Bourgogne Chardonnay that could easily be mistaken for a younger sibling to Jean-Louis's Puligny-Montrachet Village. Drink 2023-2028. (JG/AR. Tasted at Domaine with Jean-Louis Chavy in November 2022)

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Puligny-Montrachet 2021

RECOMMENDED

£250 IB (6x75cl)

A blend of between ten and twelve different parcels from across the appellation culminating in 3-hectares of vines. An excellent representation of Puligny-Montrachet's terroir.

“Generous, forward, and expressive nose with good concentration of apple and white stone fruits fused with subtle mineral spice. There's plenty of structure and power on the palate underpinned by bright, linear acidity that is beautifully married together with further apple, pear, and white stone fruit. Focused and energetic with striking precision added minerality adds length. Bravo, Jean-Louis!” Drink 2024-2032. (JG/AR. Tasted at Domaine with Jean-Louis Chavy in November 2022)

Puligny-Montrachet 1er Cru 'Les Folatières' 2021

ON ALLOCATION

£395 IB (6x75cl)

Two separate plots of 25 to 45-year-old vines totalling 1.3-hectares. The first is in the steepest stoniest part close to Blagny, which contributes excellent acidity and structure; the other is from lower down the slope where the soil is richer, in turn giving greater richness and concentration. Sadly, Jean-Louis lost 75% of his crop due to frost, producing only 5 barrels in 2021 (compared to more usual 30-35).

“Seductive aromas of ripe green apple and white peach with good concentration and class that invites you onto the palate. Wow... serious concentration, structure, and power combine with a creamy, rounded texture and is underpinned with juicy, mouth-watering acidity. A further core of pineapple, caramelised apple, and a streak of oyster shell minerality seal the deal. This is truly first rate.” Drink 2025-2032. (JG/AR. Tasted at Domaine with Jean-Louis Chavy in November 2022)

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VINCENT LATOUR



The Latour-Labille family boast a long, rich history and have been making wine in Meursault since 1792, and Vincent took over the family Domaine from his father Jean in 1998. He was then joined by his wife, Cécile, and changed the name from Domaine Jean Latour et Labille, to Domaine Latour from the 2010 vintage onwards. Since his arrival Vincent has implemented many changes, and in turn improvements, from the inclusion of whole cluster fermentation, adaptation of demi-muids and foudres, as well as longer élevage (12 months in old or large oak, followed by 4 to 6 months in stainless steel vats without any bâtonnage to avoid masking fruit).

Vincent is certainly one of Meursault's rising stars, and has gained local as well as international recognition in recent years. A new cellar and state-of-the-art tasting room have both been recently completed, taking this already impressive Domaine to the next level.

It will come as no surprise that Vincent was also severely affected by the spring frost; Meursault was the worst affected region after all. Sadly, 2021 goes on record as the smallest harvest ever at the Domaine and even at Premier Cru level yields were as low as 10 hectolitres per hectare!

Bourgogne Chardonnay 2021

RECOMMENDED

£115 IB (6x75cl)

A combined 2-hectares from the individual parcels of 'Les Clous Perrons', 'Les Bellecotes', 'Les Durots' and 'Les Herbeux'.

"Attractive, perfumed aromas of lemon citrus, golden apple, and pear. Bright, fresh, and crisp on the palate with beautiful balance and an abundance of finesse, purity, and elegance. An excellent Bourgogne Blanc. Très bon!" Drink 2023-2028. (AR/JG. Tasted at Domaine with Vincent Latour in November 2022)

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Meursault 'Cuvée St Jean' 2021**RECOMMENDED****£285 IB (6x75cl)**

A blend of three Meursault Villages parcels: 'Les Vireuils', 'Les Crotots' and 'Meix Chavaux'. Vines were planted in 1925, 1926, 1992, 1998 and 2001.

"Charming nose of lemon, peach and apricot with underlying honey and gentle spice. Ample and rounded with a wonderful creamy mouthfeel underpinned by taught, mineral acidity leading into a core of further white stone verging exotic fruit. Impressive purity and drive." Drink 2024-2030. (AR/JG. Tasted at Domaine with Vincent Latour in November 2022)

Meursault 'Les Narvaux' 2021**ON ALLOCATION****£295 IB (6x75cl)**

A minute 0.57-hectare plot planted in 1989 on limestone-clay soils. Without a doubt one of the most famous lieu-dit located next to the Premier Cru vineyards of 'Les Genevrières' and 'Les Poruzots'.

"Enticing aromas of peach, apricot, and honeysuckle. Commendable structure and depth, with added richness from the creamy texture yet balanced by bright, vibrant acidity that wraps around a core of juicy white stone fruit and white pepper spice. Excellent finish with lots of purity and precision." Drink 2024-2032. (AR/JG. Tasted at Domaine with Vincent Latour in November 2022)

Meursault 1er Cru 'Poruzots' 2021**ON ALLOCATION****£585 IB (6x75cl)**

A 0.82-hectare plot planted between 1947 and 1991. Situated in the heart of Meursault and surrounded by the Premier Cru vineyards of 'Les Genièvres', 'Les Bouchères' and 'La Goutte d'Or'.

"Forward and elegant aromas of lemon, apricot, and peach. Impressive weight, structure, and definition on the palate with a lovely, creamy texture that coats and fills the mouth and leads into a multi-layered core of pineapple, mango, apple, and clove spice. Long, refined, and sophisticated. Bravo, Vincent!" Drink 2025-2035. (AR/JG. Tasted at Domaine with Vincent Latour in November 2022)

Meursault 1er Cru 'Perrières' 2021**ON ALLOCATION****£780 IB (6x75cl)**

A miniscule 0.18-hectare parcel planted in 1964 and are the last vines before you reach Puligny-Montrachet. 'Les Perrières' is rightly credited as one of the top three Premier Cru vineyards in Meursault and is seemingly a combination of its peers: the minerality of 'Les Genevrières' and the roundness of 'Charmes', which creates the fullest, and most powerful Meursault Premier Cru.

"Wow. Intense and complex aromas of Amalfi lemon, white peach, and Acacia honey. Superb depth and concentration thanks to the seductive, creamy texture fused together with vibrant acidity that adds another dimension. Further citrus and white stone fruit core intermingle with hints of delicate clove and vanilla infused spice. Drink 2024-2032. (AR/JG. Tasted at Domaine with Vincent Latour in November 2022)

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JEAN-JACQUES GIRARD



Founded in 1529 by Jean Girard, Domaine Jean-Jacques Girard is one of Savigny-Les-Beaune's oldest vigneron families and own a total of 18-hectares throughout the Côte D'Or; namely in Savigny-Les-Beaune as well as small parcels in Pernand-Vergelesses, Beaune, Pommard, Volnay and Aloxe-Corton. There is no denying that he is one of our favourite producers as his wines offer great purity and elegance, thanks to the use of cool fermentation, which maintains the wines aromatic and fresh qualities. We believe the Domaine provides a great range for all occasions delivering consistent quality and superb value.

Pernand-Vergelesses 'Les Belles Filles' Blanc 2021

RECOMMENDED

£115 IB (6x75cl)

Located on the opposite side the 1er Cru vineyard of 'Sous Frétille' and the Corton-Charlemagne hill.

"Vibrant, pure white peach and apricot dominant aromas fused with a touch of honeysuckle. Rich, rounded, and creamy with refreshing, racy acidity keeping everything in check and underpinning more white stone fruit verging mango core. A taught and linear finish with integrated toasted oak spice. A pretty Pernand!" Drink 2024-2030. (JG/AR. Tasted at the Domaine with Jean-Jacques Girard in November 2022)

Pernand-Vergelesses 1er Cru 'Sous Frétilles' Blanc 2021

£170 IB (6x75cl)

The 'Sous Frétille' vineyard is on the Corton-Charlemagne hill very close to the northern tip of 'En Charlemagne'.

"Impressive nose of lemon and grapefruit citrus with added white stone fruit and gentle spice. Lovely texture and density thanks to its creamy structure, which is balanced by bright, uplifting acidity that adds another dimension. Very juicy and luscious with a core of further white stone and exotic fruit with a touch of almond spice. Très bon indeed." Drink 2025-2032. (JG/AR. Tasted at the Domaine with Jean-Jacques Girard in November 2022)

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Savigny-Les-Beaune Blanc 2021**£120 IB (6x75cl)**

Vines planted in the 1980s on cooler sites at higher elevation of the AOC on marl, sand, and limestone soils.

“Pure and lifted aromas of lemon citrus and green apple with integrated vanilla oak undertones. Lovely weight complemented by the creamy, rounded texture underpinned by bright, vibrant acidity providing structure and tension. Further citrus, verging exotic fruit core with dashes of white pepper spice on the super finish. A superb Savigny Blanc.” Drink 2024-2030. (JG/AR. Tasted at the Domaine with Jean-Jacques Girard in November 2022)

Bourgogne Pinot Noir 2021**RECOMMENDED****£130 IB (12x75cl)**

Vineyards are located between the village of Savigny and Beaune. One the best value and most consistent Bourgogne Pinot Noir's – hard to beat!

“Charming, perfumed nose of vibrant summer berries and a floral iris note. Silky and luscious on the palate with ripe, rounded tannins that fuse with the pure, juicy strawberry, raspberry, and cranberry core. Wonderful! Drink 2023-2028. (JG/AR. Tasted at the Domaine with Jean-Jacques Girard in November 2022)

Savigny-Les-Beaune 1er Cru 'Les Fourneaux' Rouge 2021**£130 IB (6x75cl)**

An extremely small parcel of just 0.20-hectares bordering the famous Premier Cru 'Les Lavières' vineyard on the Aloxe-Corton side of the hill.

“Perfumed and floral nose of freshly picked summer berries with added iris undertones. Good power and structure, yet lovely purity and finesse too thanks to the luscious, silky mid-palate and smooth, elegant tannins that wrap around a core of darker fruit and toasted oak spice. Bravo, Jean-Jacques, and Vincent!” Drink 2024-2030. (JG/AR. Tasted at the Domaine with Jean-Jacques Girard in November 2022)

Beaune 1er Cru 'Clos du Roi' Rouge 2021**RECOMMENDED****£160 IB (6x75cl)**

A minute 0.48-hectare parcel from vines with an average age of 30-years-old. The vineyard is situated to the north of the appellation and is without doubt one of the best parcels in Beaune, little surprise it was revered by the by the dukes of Burgundy and is where the parcel takes its name.

“Enticing aromas of red and black cherry, blackberry, and black raspberry. Pure and elegant with silky, soft tannins and a juicy, plush core of further black and bramble fruits. Wonderful precision and finesse, with an uplifting touch of black pepper spice on the long finish. Fit for a king!” Drink 2025-2035. (JG/AR. Tasted at the Domaine with Jean-Jacques Girard in November 2022)

Aloxe-Corton 2021**£160 IB (6x75cl)**

A 0.25-hectare plot from two parcels on the hill of Corton; 'Les Combes' which lies immediately below 'Le Charlemagne' Grand Cru, and the other from 'Les Paulands' just below 'Les Bressandes' Premier Cru. Vines have an average age of 30-year-old and are planted in iron-rich soils that produce rich and sumptuous wines.

“Impressive nose of strawberry, raspberry, red cherry, and mulberry with a sprinkling of black pepper spice. Generous and ample on the palate with ripe, rounded tannins that fill the mouth and are balanced by striking vibrancy and purity of further red and added black fruit fused with integrated, toasted oak spice. An impressive effort.” Drink 2026-2036. (JG/AR. Tasted at the Domaine with Jean-Jacques Girard in November 2022)

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AMBROISE



Domaine Ambroise origins date back to the 18th century when only a few parcels had been planted around Nuits-Saint-Georges. However, it was not until Bertrand Ambroise took over the vineyard from his father-in-law in 1987, working extensively and gradually expanding the Domaine to its current size of 17 hectares. Bertrand's children, François and Ludivine, now run the winery and have been working on developing their organic winemaking and are now Ecocert certified. In addition, wines are neither fined nor filtered, although there has also been a move to ageing the wine in 400L foudres, which maximises the purity of fruit to really come through in their wines.

François advised us "we waited to pick between 25th-27th September, and we made roughly 35 hectolitres per hectare and so volumes are reduced in comparison to normal. However, the quality is clearly there with good concentration, depth, and finesse that compensates for the cooler growing season."

Bourgogne Pinot Noir 'Vieilles Vignes' 2021

RECOMMENDED

£90 IB (6x75cl)

Several parcels where vines have an average age of 75-years-old. 50% new oak and 30% whole bunch fermentation.

"Captivating aromas of ripe red cherry, raspberry, and strawberry with a touch of blackcurrant. Luscious, juicy, and rounded on the palate with wonderful texture, purity, and focus leading into a core of similar vibrant and ripe summer berry fruit. A charming Bourgogne Pinot Noir." Drink 2023-2028. (AR/JG. Tasted at the Domaine with François Ambroise in November 2022)

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Nuits-Saint-Georges 2021**£185 IB (6x75cl)**

A combination of 55-year-old vines from the parcels of 'Les Fleurieres', 'Les Maladières' and 'Les Poisets' all located in the south of Nuits-Saint-Georges, as well as some plots in Prémieux-Prissey. The southeast facing slopes have brown-clay and limestone soils with a hint of silt. 50% new oak.

“Attractive, forward nose of mulberry, blackberry, and boysenberry and black with an underlying floral touch. Generous and silky texture reinforced by striking tension, energy, and purity of further dark black fruits and just a touch of toasted oak spice.” Drink 2024-2030. (AR/JG. Tasted at the Domaine with François Ambroise in November 2022)

Nuits-Saint-Georges 'Vieilles Vignes' 2021**RECOMMENDED****£195 IB (6x75cl)**

From two plots: one in Prémieux-Prissey, and the other close to Nuits-Saint-Georges where vines have an average of 75-years-old. 70% new oak and 30% whole bunch fermentation.

“Rich and concentrated aromas of black cherry, cassis and black plum fused with smoky, toasted oak spice. Dense and compact on the mid-palate balanced by ripe, rounded tannins and uplifting vibrancy and purity of added bramble and hedgerow fruit. This is Premier Cru quality.” Drink 2028-2036. (AR/JG. Tasted at the Domaine with François Ambroise in November 2022)

Nuits-Saint-Georges 1er Cru 'En Rue de Chaux' 2021**RECOMMENDED****£340 IB (6x75cl)**

A small vineyard holding south of the village itself and next to the Premier Cru vineyards of 'Le Procès' and 'Les Crots'. The clay-based soils are renowned for their ability to produce wines of superb richness and intensity. 70% new oak.

“Deep, dark, and brooding aromas of black cherry intertwined with blackcurrant, cassis, and toasted oak spice. Powerful, ample, and generous texture thanks to the soft, velvety tannins and wonderful vibrancy and tension that flows through into a further black and bramble fruit core complemented by a long, lingering finish.” Drink 2028-2042. (AR/JG. Tasted at the Domaine with François Ambroise in November 2022)

Vosne-Romanée 'Aux Damaudes' 2021**ON ALLOCATION****£270 IB (6x75cl)**

A regular favourite situated just above the Vosne-Romanée Premier Cru vineyards and near to 'La Tâche' Grand Cru. 50% new oak.

“Impressive, forward aromas of black summer berries, violet and subtle spice. Ample and generous thanks to silky texture and ripe, rounded tannins that lead seamlessly into a core of savoury, darker fruit such as blackcurrant, cassis, and cinnamon spice. Brilliant focus and length. Bravo François!” Drink 2028-2038. (AR/JG. Tasted at the Domaine with François Ambroise in November 2022)

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Corton 'Le Rognet' Grand Cru 2021

ON ALLOCATION

£390 IB (6x75cl)

Vines are located between the villages of Pernand-Vergelesses and Savigny-Les-Beaune (west) and Aloxe-Corton, Ladoix and Buisson (east). The east-facing bank is perfect for Pinot Noir with its layers of Oxfordian rock topped with iron and pebbles. 100% new oak.

“Powerful and complex aromas of savoury black cherry, black plum, and cassis with underlying toasted oak and mocha spice. Plenty of structure and weight are kept in check by voluptuous and generous mouthfeel from the firm, prominent tannins and intense depth of black fruits and cinnamon spice. Great length and as François declare “it’s a bomb!”. No question that it needs time, however, a great wine in the making!”
Drink 2028-2040+. (AR/JG. Tasted at the Domaine with François Ambroise in November 2022)

Clos Vougeot Grand Cru 2021

ON ALLOCATION

£850 IB (6x75cl)

A small parcel of vines located near the top of the slope bordering 'Grands Échezeaux' Grand Cru. 100% new oak.

“Impressive aromas of black cherry, blackberry, and black raspberry with a delicate violet edge. Rich and powerful with wonderful precision, depth and concentration thanks to silky texture and interlinking core of pure, savoury fruit and black pepper spice. Long, complex, and generous finish. Très bon. Drink 2028-2038+. (AR/JG. Tasted at the Domaine with François Ambroise in November 2022)

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FAIVELEY



Since 2007, Domaine Faiveley has been in the capable hands of Erwan Faiveley. The 115-hectare Domaine is split between an estate 78-hectare estate in Mercurey, and a further 37-hectares throughout the Côte d'Or. It is now one of the largest producers in Burgundy, though the vineyards are run with military precision where nothing is left to chance, as several teams keep a close eye on the viticultural programme. Their aim for elegance and finesse is now being rewarded with each wine possessing individual character and quality, a great reflection of the Domaine's terroir. Faiveley's impressive brand-new winery completed in 2017, contributes to their steady rise in quality, profile, and demand for their wines around the world.

Mercrey 'La Framboisière' Rouge 2021 **RECOMMENDED** **£280 IB (12x75cl)**
Monopole vineyard with 11.11-hectares of vines planted between 1949 and 1990. A hidden gem.

"Vibrant aromas of strawberry, raspberry, and red cherry with added cranberry. Plump, juicy and rounded with a gorgeous, almost silky texture with ripe tannins that wrap around a core of further summer berry fruit and touch of spice. A classic Framboisière." Drink 2023-2028. (JG/AR. Tasted at the Domaine with Jérôme Flous in November 2022)

Mercrey 1er Cru 'Clos de Myglands' Rouge 2021 **£310 IB (12x75cl)**
Famous monopole with 6.31 hectares of vines planted between 1963-1992.

Unfortunately, we were not able to taste. Once critic scores and tasting notes have been released, we will update this on our website.

Monthélie 1er Cru 'Les Champs Fulliot' 2021 **RECOMMENDED** **£160 IB (6x75cl)**
Located to the east of the village and borders the famous Volnay Premier Cru 'Clos des Chênes'.

"Bright, perfumed aromas of both red and black cherry, blackberry with added smoky, toasted oak spice. Medium-bodied on the palate with ripe, rounded tannins and wonderful juicy, purity running through into a core of further black fruit and black pepper spice." Drink 2024-2030. (JG/AR. Tasted at the Domaine with Jérôme Flous in November 2022)

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Nuits-Saint-Georges 1er Cru 'Les Damodes' 2021 **ON ALLOCATION** **£395 IB (6x75cl)**
An excellent Nuits-Saint-Georges Premier Cru that has a hint of Vosne-Romanée influence thanks to its adjacent position at the top of the slope.

“Beautifully lifted nose of red cherry, strawberry, and cranberry with a delicate perfumed touch. Good concentration and intensity balanced by soft, silky tannins and impressive purity of further summer red fruit core and lingering cinnamon spice infused finish. Delicious.” Drink 2028-2036+. (JG/AR. Tasted at the Domaine with Jérôme Flous in November 2022)

Gevrey-Chambertin VV 2021 **£480 IB (12x75cl)**
A total of 7.2-hectares of specially selected plots from throughout the appellation, where vines have an average age of 35-years-old.

Unfortunately, we were not able to taste. Once critic scores and tasting notes have been released, we will update this on our website.

Gevrey-Chambertin 1er Cru 'La Combe Aux Moines' 2021 **ON ALLOCATION** **£480 IB (6x75cl)**
A minute 1.2-hectare plot embedded in fossil-rich clay and white marl soils, some dating back to 1933. A vineyard influenced by the cool climate due to its location at the top of the hill near the woods (above Premier Cru 'Les Cazétiers').

Unfortunately, we were not able to taste. Once critic scores and tasting notes have been released, we will update this on our website.

Gevrey-Chambertin 1er Cru 'Les Cazétiers' 2021 **ON ALLOCATION** **£560 IB (6x75cl)**
Vineyard holdings have increased since 2012 from 2.05-hectares to 4-hectares. It is situated between the Premiers Crus of 'La Combe aux Moines' and 'Clos Saint Jacques'.

“Enticing aromas of red and black cherry, loganberry, and blackberry with subtle toasted cedar spice. Brighter and more vibrant on the palate than the nose suggested, yet with good weight and structure all kept in check through lovely energy, precision, and focus. Further melange of red and black fruit intertwined with a sprinkling of black pepper spice.” Drink 2028-2038. (JG/AR. Tasted at the Domaine with Jérôme Flous in November 2022)

Corton 'Clos de Cortons Faiveley' Grand Cru 2021 **ON ALLOCATION** **£1000 IB (6x75cl)**
A 2.7-hectare monopole owned by Faiveley since 1874.

“Attractive aromas of strawberry, blackberry as well as red and black cherry... oozes class and sophistication. Rich, rounded, and generous on the mid-palate with soft, silky tannins and wonderful vibrancy with a pure and precise core of summer berry and hedgerow fruit leading into concentrated black pepper spice finish. Seriously good.” Drink 2030-2045. (JG/AR. Tasted at the Domaine with Jérôme Flous in November 2022)

Echézeaux 'En Orveaux' Grand Cru 2021 **ON ALLOCATION** **£1200 IB (6x75cl)**
The 0.83-hectare parcel of this sub-climat is situated at the northern end of the appellation on the slope close to Chambolle-Musigny Premier Cru 'La Combe d'Orveau'. It was planted in 1950, 1956 and 1985.

Unfortunately, we were not able to taste. Once critic scores and tasting notes have been released, we will update this on our website.

Clos de Vougeot Grand Cru 2021**ON ALLOCATION****£1200 IB (6x75cl)**

A combination of three small plots totalling just 1.26-hectares. Two parcels are in the lower part of the Clos; with the third situated in the centre near the Château.

“Elegant and enticing aromas of both red and black cherry, black plum, and blackberry with a lovely perfumed top note. Powerful and structured with wonderful energy, vibrancy and focus seamlessly merging into further core of red and black hedgerow fruit with lingering violet and white pepper spice notes on the fine finish.” Drink 2030-2042. (JG/AR. Tasted at the Domaine with Jérôme Flous in November 2022)

Latricières-Chambertin Grand Cru 2021**ON ALLOCATION****£1300 IB (6x75cl)**

The most southern of Gevrey-Chambertin Grand Cru vineyards and known in medieval times as ‘la petite merveille’ (the little wonder) regarding its consistent high-quality wines. A 1.20-hectare plot with vines planted in 1958, 1984 and 1989.

“Vibrant, charming nose of ripe summer berries and a touch of darker bramble fruit in the background. Dense, complex, and compact on the mid-palate complemented by soft, velvety tannins and striking depth, and complexity that fills the mouth. A darker core of further hedgerow and bramble fruit fused with black pepper spice on the long, persistent finish.” Drink 2030-2045. (JG/AR. Tasted at the Domaine with Jérôme Flous in November 2022)

Mazis-Chambertin Grand Cru 2021**ON ALLOCATION****£1300 IB (6x75cl)**

The most northern of Gevrey-Chambertin’s Grands Crus, where Faiveley own 1.55-hectares located in ‘Mazis-Haut’ (Upper Mazis) on a bed composed of shallow, alluvial soils.

“Intense mélange of red and black hedgerow fruits with an underlying sultry iris edge. Powerful and complex with great structure and poise, which is underpinned by ripe, yet firm tannins flowing into a generous and concentrated core of bramble fruit and black pepper spice. A sophisticated and elegant Mazis-Chambertin.” Drink 2030-2044. (JG/AR. Tasted at the Domaine with Jérôme Flous in November 2022)

Chambertin ‘Clos de Bèze’ Grand Cru 2021**ON ALLOCATION****£2100 IB (6x75cl)**

Faiveley have owned the largest allocation of ‘Clos de Bèze’ since the 1930’s with 1.9-hectares divided between 3 parcels: ‘Grands Rangs’, ‘Clos de Bèze Haut’ and ‘Vieilles Vignes’.

“Intense and inviting aromas of blackberry, black cherry and blackcurrant fused with smoky, toasted cedar spice jump from the glass. Wow. Rich and robust on the mid-palate, yet extremely vibrant and seductive due to the silky, ripe tannins that unfurl around a multi-layered backdrop of added black and bramble fruit and black pepper spice. Seriously long finish. Bravo.” Drink 2030-2045. (JG/AR. Tasted at the Domaine with Jérôme Flous in November 2022)

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ROSSIGNOL-TRAPET



Archives show that the Rossignol family have run vineyards in the famous Côte de Nuits since the 16th century so brothers Nicolas and David Rossignol, have plenty of experience to draw upon when creating their wines. The Domaine has grown steadily over the last few decades thanks to a refinement in winemaking techniques, the construction of a new winery in Gevrey-Chambertin in the late 1990's, as well as the improvement and management of vineyard health. They have been certified organic and biodynamic since 2004. They own a total of 13-hectares of vines throughout Gevrey-Chambertin as well as Beaune, creating excellent quality wines thanks to the combination of traditional methods and modern vinification techniques. We are great supporters of Rossignol-Trapet and have been buying their wines for over 10 years and their wines always impress us!

Nicolas Rossignol announced "like many others we were of course affected by the frost, but it only got down to -3°C in Gevrey-Chambertin... so we were lucky in some regards. It also very much depended on where your vines are located on the slope. For example, in 2021 we have only made 5 barrels of Bourgogne Rouge (in comparison to 20 barrels in a normal year), yet we made 70 out of the usual 100 barrels of Gevrey-Chambertin Villages. Nevertheless, we're very happy with the wines, it's a classic vintage."

Bourgogne Rouge 2021

£120 IB (6x75cl)

0.77-hectare plot planted in 1999 in 'En Grands Champs', which borders 'La Burie', 'Pressonnier' and 'Croix de Champs'. Only 5 barrels produced (compared to the average 20) as these vines were some of the worst affected by the frost.

"Vibrant and expressive aromas of raspberry, strawberry, and red cherry fused with floral violet. Bright, energetic, and juicy mid-palate complemented by the ripe, rounded tannins and superb purity of further crunchy, summer berry fruit. A mini Gevrey-Chambertin." Drink 2023-2028. (AR/JG. Tasted at the Domaine with Nicolas Rossignol in November 2022)

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Savigny-Les-Beaune 'Les Bas Liards' 2021**£155 IB (6x75cl)**

Very small parcel of 0.25-hectares with all vines planted in 1977. Located opposite the Premier Cru vineyards of 'Les Rouvrettes' and 'Les Narbatons' with a north-south orientation.

“Bright and aromatic nose of red summer berry fruit with a hint of cinnamon spice. Good weight and structure complemented by the juicy, pure texture and luscious, rounded tannins that envelop a dark core of bramble and hedgerow fruit with white pepper spice.” Drink 2024-2030. (AR/JG. Tasted at the Domaine with Nicolas Rossignol in November 2022)

Beaune 'Les Mariages' 2021**£175 IB (6x75cl)**

A small parcel located underneath the Premier Cru vineyards of 'Les Grèves' and 'Les Toussaints'.

“Charming aromas of red cherry, loganberry, and mulberry with a lovely, perfumed overtone. Ripe and round on the mid-palate with an excellent silky and pure texture that fills the mouth supported by soft, smooth tannins that wrap around further summer berry fruits. Great tension and drive on the finish.” Drink 2024-2030. (AR/JG. Tasted at the Domaine with Nicolas Rossignol in November 2022)

Beaune 1er Cru 'Les Teurons' 2021**RECOMMENDED****£260 IB (6x75cl)**

From the highest, most favoured part of the site located directly below the Premier Cru 'Aux Cras' vineyard. It is quite warm, but the stony soils always provide balanced freshness and good purity.

“Captivating nose of black cherry, blackberry, and underlying cassis and blackcurrant. Full, rich, and round with impressive power and concentration, yet well-balanced thanks to the ripe, velvety tannins and impressive bramble fruit purity. There's lovely savoury, slightly meaty edge intertwined with clove and tobacco spice on the persistent finish. A great Les Teurons!” Drink 2025-2034. (AR/JG. Tasted at the Domaine with Nicolas Rossignol in November 2022)

Gevrey-Chambertin 'Vieilles Vignes' 2021**£240 IB (6x75cl)**

Made from a reduced selection of Gevrey-Chambertin village plots in 2021 from 'Les Crais', 'Jouise' and Villages. All vines have an average age of 40 to 85-years-old and are grown on a variation of soils; they are harvested and vinified separately, and then blended before malolactic fermentation. Only 70 barrels produced (compared to the average 100) due to the frost.

“Pure, fragrant aromas of strawberry and raspberry with added bramble fruit. Impressive power, structure, and poise on the mid-palate supported by ripe, prominent tannins that envelope a more dominant black fruit core fused with clove and toasted oak spice. Excellent purity and energy... a superb Gevrey-Chambertin.” Drink 2024-2032. (AR/JG. Tasted at the Domaine with Nicolas Rossignol in November 2022)

Gevrey-Chambertin 'Aux Ételois' 2021**ON ALLOCATION****£350 IB (6x75cl)**

A minute 0.4-hectare plot situated in between 'Aux Griottes' and 'Charmes-Chambertin' Grands Crus, where vines have an average age of 60 to 70-years-old.

“Wow, intense and aromatic nose of raspberry and loganberry fused with black cherry and toasted oak spice. Striking vibrancy, tension and energy with ripe, silky tannins fill the mouth and are supported by more summer red berry fruit as well as a savoury, black pepper spice infusion on the linear and driven finish.” Drink 2026-2034. (AR/JG. Tasted at the Domaine with Nicolas Rossignol in November 2022)

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Gevrey-Chambertin 1er Cru 'Petite Chapelle' 2021 **ON ALLOCATION** **£550 IB (6x75cl)**

A continuation of 'Chapelle-Chambertin' Grand Cru, despite a faint slope separating the two.

"Seductive and concentrated blackberry, black raspberry, and mulberry aromas with added toasted oak spice. Great power, depth, and structure balanced by real elegance and finesse from the rounded, velvety tannins and wonderful purity of further hedgerow fruit fused with subtle clove spice. Impressive intensity and energy leading into the long, lingering finish." Drink 2026-2036+. (AR/JG. Tasted at the Domaine with Nicolas Rossignol in November 2022)

Chapelle-Chambertin Grand Cru 2021 **ON ALLOCATION** **£1100 IB (6x75cl)**

Positioned directly underneath 'Clos de Bèze' Grand Cru and beside 'Griottes-Chambertin' Grand Cru on the gentle hill incline south of the village. 0.55-hectares of vines planted on a limestone base covered with a shallow pebble-topsoil (0.5m).

"Attractive nose of raspberry, strawberry, and red cherry with a touch of crème de cassis. Rich and refined on the mid-palate with ripe, round tannins enveloping a concentrated core of further bramble and hedgerow fruit with added black pepper spice." Drink 2030-2044. (AR/JG. Tasted at the Domaine with Nicolas Rossignol in November 2022)

Latricières-Chambertin Grand Cru 2021 **ON ALLOCATION** **£1110 IB (6x75cl)**

Situated directly south of 'Chambertin' and above 'Mayozères ou Charmes' Grands Crus, on the Morey-Saint Denis border. A total 0.73-hectares of vines planted on deep clay soils, which benefit from the cooler climate; a combination of the valley and westerly winds resulting in it always being the latest ripening vineyard.

"Concentrated aromas of red and black cherry with added blackberry, blackcurrant, and cassis. Great power, poise, and presence... it really demands your attention, and rightly so! Such sophistication and precision on the multi-layered core of further red and black fruit fused with cinnamon and clove spice. A graceful and precise Latricières-Chambertin. Très bon." Drink 2030-2042. (AR/JG. Tasted at the Domaine with Nicolas Rossignol in November 2022)

Chambertin Grand Cru 2021 **ON ALLOCATION** **£1700 IB (6x75cl)**

Situated in between the Grands Crus of 'Latricières' and 'Clos de Bèze'. A 1.60-hectare plot on a gentle, east-facing slope south of the village on a bed of hard limestone topped with clay.

"Concentrated, yet vibrant aromas of cranberry, raspberry, and tayberry with a generous floral note. Deep, dense, and compact with unfurling power and structure that builds gradually and fills the palate with its generous texture and pin-point precision. Abundance of red summer berry fruit with a long, sophisticated finish infused with a delicate sprinkling of white pepper spice." Drink 2032-2046. (AR/JG. Tasted at the Domaine with Nicolas Rossignol in November 2022)

A.F. GROS



Anne-Françoise Gros created Domaine A.F. Gros alongside her husband François Parent, in Pommard in 1988. The Domaine is now run by their children, Mathias, and Caroline (pictured above with Andrew), who create elegant and refined wines from 10-hectares of vines throughout Vosne-Romanée, Gevrey-Chambertin, Chambolle-Musigny in the Côte de Nuits, as well as Moulin-À-Vent in Beaujolais. We are once again extremely happy we have been able to obtain our allocation of their highly regarded and sought-after wines.

During our tasting in the cellars with Caroline, she commented “2021 is the smallest crop ever at the Domaine since its creation in 1988. The effects of the terrible spring frost were compounded further by mildew and odium attacks in July, which when combined, resulted in a 60% yield loss at the Domaine”. Nevertheless, Mathias and Caroline have produced elegant, sophisticated, and enchanting wines that seriously impressed Andrew and I.

Bourgogne Hautes Côtes de Nuits Blanc 2021

£120 IB (6x75cl)

A small parcel from Chevrey, which is found west of Comblanchien and the main Côte de Nuits strip.

Unfortunately, we were not able to taste. Once critic scores and tasting notes have been released, we will update this on our website.

Moulin-à-Vent ‘En Mortperay’ 2021 (Beaujolais)

£115 IB (6x75cl)

A 3.8-hectare plot where vines have an average age of 30 to 35-years-old.

Unfortunately, we were not able to taste. Once critic scores and tasting notes have been released, we will update this on our website.

Ladoix Village 'La Toppe d'Avignon' 2021**NEW****£195 IB (6x75cl)*****A small parcel at the bottom of the slope near the village. 100% destemmed.***

"Beautiful, perfumed aromas of red cherry, strawberry, and raspberry with violet overtones. Medium-bodied with a luscious, pure, and juicy texture with ripe, soft tannins that envelop the further summer berry and floral core with a sprinkling of black pepper spice." Drink 2023-2025. (JG/AR. Tasted at the Domaine with Caroline Parent-Gros in November 2022)

Gevrey-Chambertin 2021**RECOMMENDED****£380 IB (6x75cl)*****A total of 1.5-hectares sourced from the vineyards of 'La Justice' and 'Aux Corvées'. 30% whole bunch fermentation.***

"Wonderfully pure aromas of red and black cherry with darker undertones of bramble fruit. Compact and complex palate with firm, prominent tannins (from the 30% whole bunch) that envelop a core of further hedgerow and bramble fruit with added black pepper spice. Impressive purity and finesse." Drink 2026-2034. (JG/AR. Tasted at the Domaine with Caroline Parent-Gros in November 2022)

Gevrey-Chambertin 1er Cru 'La Combe Aux Moines' 2021**ON ALLOCATION****£595 IB (6x75cl)*****A minute 0.07-hectare parcel from one of the appellations most famous Premier Cru vineyards. This is the first year of production from an agreed 5-year contract. 30% whole bunch fermentation.***

"Charming, perfumed nose of strawberry, red and black cherry with added black raspberry and violet overtones. Wonderful vibrancy and tension on the mid-palate with ripe, silky tannins that fill the mouth in a rich and velvety texture. Multi-layered fusion of further red and black fruit with gentle, integrated toasted oak spice. Sophisticated and graceful." Drink 2028-2038. (JG/AR. Tasted at the Domaine with Caroline Parent-Gros in November 2022)

Chambolle-Musigny 2021**ON ALLOCATION****£395 IB (6x75cl)*****Combined 5 parcels totalling less than 1-hectare, that always produces a great representation of the appellation. 30% whole bunch fermentation.***

"Attractive and enticing aromas of red and black cherry, black plum, and blackberry with a sprinkling of black pepper spice. Elegant mouthfeel thanks to the ripe, round, and seductive tannins that expand across the palate and lead into a further core of hedgerow fruit. Excellent vibrancy, energy and tension that builds to a crescendo finish. Wow... a superb Chambolle-Musigny. Bravo, Mathias!" Drink 2026-2036+. (JG/AR. Tasted at the Domaine with Caroline Parent-Gros in November 2022)

Vosne-Romanée 'Les Chalandins' 2021**ON ALLOCATION****£395 IB (6x75cl)*****The parcel straddles the border between Vosne-Romanée and Flagey-Echézeaux and is surrounded by the vineyards of 'Basses Maizières', 'Vigneux' and 'Aux Ormes'. 30% whole bunch fermentation.***

"Concentrated and complex aromas of black cherry, mulberry and black raspberry with added cinnamon spice. Impressive structure and depth balanced by silky smooth tannins and wonderful purity and vibrancy of further bramble and hedgerow fruit that dance across the palate. Such a precise and focused finish. Brilliant." Drink 2026-2034+. (JG/AR. Tasted at the Domaine with Caroline Parent-Gros in November 2022)

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Vosne-Romanée 'Aux Réas' 2021**ON ALLOCATION****£395 IB (6x75cl)**

The plot is located on the Nuits-Saint-Georges and Vosne-Romanée border and is flanked by the Premier Cru 'Clos des Réas' to the north, as well as 'Les Jacquines' and 'Au-dessus de la Rivière' vineyards to the south. 30% whole bunch fermentation.

"Enticing bouquet of red and black cherry, blackberry, and loganberry fused with sultry, smoky undertones. Rich, round and compact on the mid-palate with impressive concentration and power leading into a brighter, vibrant core of red and black fruit with a touch of white pepper spice on the lingering finish. Wonderful energy and focus." Drink 2026-2034. (JG/AR. Tasted at the Domaine with Caroline Parent-Gros in November 2022)

Clos de Vougeot Grand Cru 2021**ON ALLOCATION****£825 IB (3x75cl)**

Small parcel situated near Chateau Clos de Vougeot. 30% whole bunch fermentation.

"Charming yet complex nose of summer berries with added bramble fruit and subtle spice. Notable power, complexity, and concentration grabs your attention whilst maintaining vibrancy and poise thanks to ripe, prominent tannins and impressive dark black fruit core with added black pepper spice." Drink 2030-2040. (JG/AR. Tasted at the Domaine with Caroline Parent-Gros in November 2022)

Échezeaux Grand Cru 2021**ON ALLOCATION****£900 IB (3x75cl)**

Produced from vines with an average age of 90-year-old. Sections of the vineyards are currently being replanted, and therefore only 0.45-hectares are in production. 50% whole bunch fermentation.

"Attractive, rather floral nose of red cherry and raspberry with a darker blackberry undertone. Impressive intensity and energy with good depth and further concentration of seductive, savoury fruit and a long, lingering finish fused with finely tuned toasted oak spice. Excellent." Drink 2030-2040+. (JG/AR. Tasted at the Domaine with Caroline Parent-Gros in November 2022)

Charmes-Chambertin Grand Cru 2021**ON ALLOCATION****£950 IB (3x75cl)**

A minute parcel from this famous Grand Cru.

"Beautiful and enticing aromas of red and black cherry, blackberry, and loganberry fuse with smoky, toasted oak. There's wonderful concentration and power on the mid-palate supported by ripe, firm tannins and lovely vibrancy, focus and drive of further black and bramble fruit." Drink 2030-2042. (JG/AR. Tasted at the Domaine with Caroline Parent-Gros in November 2022)

Richebourg Grand Cru 2021**ON ALLOCATION****£1795 IB (3x75cl)**

Neighbouring the Grands Crus of 'La Romanée', 'La Romanée-Conti' and 'Romanée-Saint-Vivant'. Richebourg has a combined total of 8-hectares, of which A.F. Gros own 0.59ha, and therefore makes them the 2nd largest occupant after Domaine de la Romanée-Conti.

"Beguiling and sophisticated aromas of red cherry and cranberry intertwined with darker blackberry and toasted, smoky spice. Rich and compact on the mid-palate yet extremely juicy texture thanks to the ripe, rounded, and velvety tannins and purity of dark black fruits and black pepper spice. Plenty of energy and precision that leads into an incredible finish. A showstopper!" Drink 2032-2044+. (JG/AR. Tasted at the Domaine with Caroline Parent-Gros in November 2022)

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CHÂTEAU DE LABORDE (NEW)



Founded in 1119, Château de Laborde boasts a long and rich history, however, it never hit its stride until it was purchased by Hervé Kerlann in 1998, who invested heavily in both winery and vineyards. In 2000, Hervé planted the first vines at the estate once again connecting it to its viticultural past. The estate is now comprised of 4 hectares, with additional grapes purchased via long-term contracts from a further 5 hectares of select vines, which Hervé vinifies, ages, and bottles himself at the Domaine. Hervé defines his winemaking as using the best resources available to him, producing wines that give pleasure first and foremost!

Bourgogne Pinot Noir 'Cuvée H' 2021 **NEW / RECOMMENDED** **£75 IB (6x75cl)**

Grapes sourced from throughout Burgundy with the majority coming from Santenay and Maranges, where vines have an average age of 45-years-old.

“Bright, vibrant aromas of strawberry, raspberry as well as red and black cherry. Juicy and luscious on the palate with ripe, rounded, and soft tannins that flow into a core of summer berries with hints of darker bramble fruit and black pepper spice.” Drink 2023-2028. (AR/JG. Tasted at the Domaine with Hervé Kerlann in November 2022)

Gevrey-Chambertin 'Aux Ételois' 2021 **NEW / RECOMMENDED** **£245 IB (6x75cl)**

A small parcel of 35-year-old vines located directly below/touch 'Griottes-Chambertin' Grand Cru.

“Powerful and concentrated aromas of black cherry, blackberry, and black raspberry fused with integrated mocha spice. Great focus, structure, and power with lovely precision and finesse that envelops a core of further dark black and bramble fruit with added roasted coffee beans and black pepper spice on the long, lingering finish.” Drink 2026-2038. (AR/JG. Tasted at the Domaine with Hervé Kerlann in November 2022)

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Chambolle-Musigny 2021

NEW / RECOMMENDED

£260 IB (6x75cl)

Vines with an average age of 40-years-old from various parts of the appellation offer a true expression of Chambolle-Musigny; they include 'Aux Échanges' as well as well 'Les Fremières' and 'Les Jutruots'.

“Charming aromas of red and black cherry, loganberry, and black raspberry fuse with a delicate iris touch. Sophisticated, elegant, and graceful on the palate with soft, silky tannins and a luscious, velvety texture that coats the mouth and leads into a darker core of bramble fruit and black pepper spice.” Drink 2026-2036. (AR/JG. Tasted at the Domaine with Hervé Kerlann in November 2022)

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LOUIS JADOT



Louis Jadot was founded in 1859 and is today run by Pierre-Henri Gagey and Head Winemaker, Frédéric Barnier, who took over from the legendary Jacques Lardière in 2013. One of the most famous négociants in Burgundy, owning over 60-hectares of vineyards throughout both the Côte de Beaune and Côte de Nuits; many of which are Premier and Grand Cru. A new, state-of-the-art winery on the Route de Savigny (pictured above), reinforces Jadot's commitment as a pioneer in the Côte d'Or and to producing the highest quality wines possible. There are several entities to which vineyards belong, such as Domaine Louis Jadot, Les Héritiers de Louis Jadot and Domaine André Gagey.

Clos Vougeot Grand Cru 2021

£785 IB (6x75cl)

One of the principal owners of the highly fragmented Clos Vougeot with a 2.6-hectare parcel purchased in the 1980s.

“Attractive aromas of ripe strawberry, raspberry, and red cherry fused with a touch of black pepper spice. Good concentration and depth on the mid-palate with firm, prominent tannins that fill the mouth yet are complemented by a juicy, bright core of red and black, verging bramble fruit with added toasted oak spice.”
Drink 2030-2040. (JG/AR. Tasted at the Domaine with Laurence Nidjam in November 2022)

DOMAINE / ROCHE DE BELLENE (2020 VINTAGE)



Nicolas Potel is one of the most dynamic winemakers in Burgundy whom we have proudly dealt with for over 15 years. Thanks to his time in Australia, California, and other regions of France, he has developed a modern, yet respectful approach to winemaking where he creates luscious and seductive wines from village all the way to Grand Cru level. He has a “midas touch” and really does get the best out of each commune. Maison Roche de Bellene (MRB) is Nicolas’ négociant business where he buys the grapes from respected growers with whom he has long-term contracts, whereas Domaine de Bellene (DB) wines are made from his privately owned vines.

With Nicolas having to purchase grapes for his négociant (MRB) wines in 2021, we have decided to buy a little extra stock of his 2020 wines that will arrive in the next couple of months. These prices are at the opening offer prices from the 2020 campaign (released in January 2022). Please be aware that some prices will go up 10% when they become physical.

DB Savigny-Les-Beaune Rouge 2020

£110 IB (6x75cl)

A selection of three climats; ‘Les Vermots’, ‘Aux Champs Pruniers’ and ‘Les Planchots’ culminating in just 0.63-hectares of vines. The first two climats were planted in the 1930s, and 1950s respectively.

Unfortunately, we were not able to taste. Once critic scores and tasting notes have been released, we will update this on our website.

DB Nuits-Saint-George ‘Vieilles Vignes’ 2020

£165 IB (6x75cl)

In production since 2009. The combination of several different climats; two in ‘Les Argillats’, one in ‘Les Charmottes’, and the other in ‘Aux Chouillets Saint Julien’.

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MRB Cuvée Réserve Rouge 2020

£130 IB (12x75cl)

It now contains 20% Village wine in the blend from Chorey-Les-Beaune, Savigny-Les-Beaune and Vézelay.

“Charming aromas of strawberry, raspberry, and red cherry with a deft floral touch. Ripe, juicy, and round on the palate with soft, silky tannins and great purity of summer berries. Delightful.” Drink 2023-2028.

(AR/CW. Tasted at the Domaine with Nicolas Potel in November 2021)

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MRB Gevrey-Chambertin 'Vieilles Vignes' 2020

£195 IB (6x75cl)

Taken from 3 specially selected parcels of vines with an average age of 42-72 years old.

“Enticing aromas of red and black cherry with added black plum and iris. There is impressive purity, poise, and tension on the multi-layered core of further red and black fruits underpinned by ripe, silky tannins and delicate toasted oak spice.” Drink 2024-2029. (AR/CW. Tasted at the Domaine with Nicolas Potel in November 2021)

MRB Chambolle-Musigny 'Vieilles Vignes' 2020

£240 IB (6x75cl)

A minute 0.19-hectare plot with vines that vary between 50 to 70-years-old on clay and limestone soils.

Unfortunately, we were not able to taste. Once critic scores and tasting notes have been released, we will update this on our website.

MRB Vosne-Romanée 'Vieilles Vignes' 2020

£240 IB (6x75cl)

Just 0.43-hectare section of 46 to 52-year-old vines on clay and limestone soils.

“Bright and attractive nose of strawberry and raspberry with a touch of blackberry. Vibrant and pure with ripe, round tannins and great focus and purity of further black cherry and black mulberry fused with black pepper spice.” Drink 2024-2029. (AR/CW. Tasted at the Domaine with Nicolas Potel in November 2021)

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