

## 2015 Burgundy

2015 is a vintage of mature, well-endowed white and red wines. A sun-filled summer and below average rainfall combined to yield many overtly ripe whites. Sun hours exceeded the average of the previous two decades. A record high of 37.5° C/99.5° F was set in Dijon on August 7<sup>th</sup>. Chardonnay yields were generous. Meursault, Puligny and Chassagne have made generally rich, ample wines. Some are simply too substantial and lack acidity and finesse. Overall, the whites are forward and will develop in the near term. The regional and village appellations are already fully mature and should be consumed.

Hail in the three preceding years had the effect of limiting yields of Pinot Noir in 2015. There were unusually low volumes in Beaune as well as Pommard and Volnay: the wines are generous, mature, and balanced. Corton grands crus offer a thrilling marriage of richness and elegance. Because of the summer heat, certain sectors saw blocked maturation. Some growers picked early September, others the third week. While there are exceptions, the most successful wines offer concentration, refinement and a ripe structure. On the Côte de Nuits, early tastings show Gevrey as a beneficiary of the heat and sunshine. Chambolle reds have considerable substance while the outcomes are less uniform in Nuits-Saint-Georges. 2015 is in sum a high quality year in red, and the top wines should keep well. Côte de Beaune reds show particularly well and may be a cut above the Côte de Nuits.

The wines in this report were tasted at multiple venues in New York. The first of the Côte d'Or 2015s presented below were assessed in early 2017, with further wines tasted in 2018.

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**CHABLIS**

**Domaine Christian Moreau**

(tasted 2/17)

**Chablis 2015 \*\*\*(+)**

*Pale straw gold. Very clean nose, expressive, pure and scented. More restraint in the mouth, transparent and medium weight. Fine acidity in a delicate finale. Lack a little intensity.*

**Chablis Premier Cru Vaillon 2015 \*\*\*(\*)**

*Pale yellow gold. Highly expressive aroma of ripe, nearly tropical fruit. The taste is direct, youthful and far more muted, hiding ripe fruit. Finishes with a dry backbone of acidity.*

**Chablis Premier Cru Vaillon “Cuvée Guy Moreau” 2015 \*\*\*\*(+)**

*Pale yellow gold. Very clean, pure and beautiful nose offering mature white fruits. In the mouth, the wine is at first focused and reserved, then gains in volume. Very fine, etched backbone with nascent complexity. On par with many grands crus.*

**Chablis Grand Cru Vaudesir 2015 \*\*\*\*(+)**

*Pale yellow gold. Very beautiful aromatic profile, focused and reserved with white and yellow fruit nuances. The palate is similarly lovely, delicate and inflected, with a very subtle note of perfectly judged oak at the end.*

**Chablis Grand Cru Valmur 2015 \*\*\*\*(+)**

*Pale yellow gold. Another beautiful, clean nose with restrained richness and youthful, ripe yellow and white fruits. Closed on attack, Valmur has evident youthful reserve. Finely nuanced, tender and sensual finish.*

**Chablis Grand Cru Les Clos 2015 \*\*\*(\*+)**

*Pale yellow gold. As is normally the case with such a young Les Clos, the 2015 is held back though reveals considerable fruit maturity, concentration and dimension. Non-expressive initially, the wine builds slowly but seems to lack just a bit of intensity and follow-through. The high-toned finish offers white fruit highlights.*

### **Chablis Grand Cru Clos des Hospices dans Les Clos 2015 \*\*\*\*(\*)**

*Pale yellow gold. Gorgeous, multifaceted aroma with fully mature white fruit and matching, well-integrated oak. The palate reveals little as the wine enters the mouth, then shows off highly pronounced, complex aromatics. Very long promising finish with ripe white fruit and very fine, embedded ripe acidity. Beautiful, large-scaled Chablis.*

### **Domaine Billaud-Simon**

*(tasted 2/17)*

### **Chablis 2015 \*\*\*(+)**

*Very pale yellow gold. A typical Chablis expression of subtle, mature citrus and white fruit. The taste is delicate, just medium weight, gaining in volume. Young and finely calibrated and nuanced finale.*

### **Chablis “Cuvee Tête d’Or” 2015 \*\*\*(\*)**

*Pale yellow gold. A very fine and very pure youthful nose, subtly inflected and intense. The taste is more reserved with elusive aromatic highlights. Medium-bodied. Very subtle persistent aftertaste. Excellent finesse.*

### **Chablis Premier Cru Les Vaillons 2015 \*\*\*(\*)**

*Very pale yellow gold. Lovely, pure, clean nose revealing mature white fruit. Tender, scented palate with a sweet, ripe undertone. Long, precise finish with very fine acidity.*

### **Chablis Premier Cru Mont de Milieu 2015 \*\*\*(\*+)**

*Pale yellow gold. Notably clean and pure aroma, rather reserved, with notes of ripe white and yellow fruit. In its taste, this 2015 has dimension and expression along with youthful reserve. Medium weight and well-balanced. Long, fine high-toned finish.*

### **Chablis Premier Cru Montée de Tonnerre 2015 \*\*\*\*(+)**

*Pale yellow gold. Concentration and reserve with lovely pure white fruit accents. Tender in the mouth and multifaceted in expression. Notable aromatic complexity in the aftertaste. A very fine premier cru.*

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### **Chablis Grand Cru Vaudesir 2015 \*\*\*\*(+)**

*Very pale yellow gold. Clean and pure to the nose with youthful grand cru concentration and dimension. Ripe, sweet fruit in the mouth. Stylish and appealing. Long finish with especially fine ripe acidity.*

### **Domaine Isabelle & Denis Pommier**

### **Chablis Premier Cru Côte de Lechet 2015 \*\*\*\*(+)**

*Very pale gold. Gorgeous, high-toned aroma with noteworthy complexity of white fruits and flowery highlights. The medium-bodied palate delivers purity, precision and equilibrium. The aftertaste is equally compelling, inflected and defined by fine ripe acidity. Tasted 3/18.*

## MÂCONNAIS

### Château Fuissé

*(tasted 2/17)*

### **Pouilly-Fuissé Tête de Cru 2015 \*\*\*(+)**

*Pale yellow gold. Ripe, scented nose of yellow fruits, relatively open. Muted at first, opening to show its ripe fruits. Engaging, quite rich finish.*

### **Pouilly-Fuissé Les Combettes 2015 \*\*\*(\*)**

*Pale yellow gold. Very rich and ample aroma of yellow fruit, a touch warm. The taste has considerable dimension and a flattering quality. Medium- to full-bodied. Long, attractive aftertaste with a rich send-off.*

### **Pouilly-Fuissé Les Brûlés 2015 \*\*\*\***

*Pale yellow gold. Very generous and rich aromatic profile of flattering yellow fruit. The palate as well is rich and mouth-filling. Plenty of ripe fruit, flesh and substance, but misses balancing acidity. A wine to enjoy in the near term.*

### **Pouilly-Fuissé Le Clos 2015 \*\*\*(\*)**

*Pale yellow gold. Exceptionally rich aroma boasting very mature yellow fruits. On the palate, Le Clos shows unexpected precision and is tender and flattering. The finish is marked by hidden, well-embedded ripe acidity.*

### **Domaine Cornin Pouilly-Fuissé Les Chevrières 2015 \*\*\*(\*)**

*Pale yellow gold. Youthful, promising aroma showing inflections of white fruit and citrus pith. Focused and well-balanced. Carefully judged use of oak. Etched final impression. From Chaintré.*

### **Domaine du Chalet Pouilly Pouilly-Fuissé 2015 \*\*\*(\*)**

*Very pale gold. Engaging aroma, delicately inflected with white fruits. In its taste this 2015 possesses focus and marked tension. Nearly medium weight, the wine delivers a persistent, etched final impression with beautiful fruit highlights and salinity. Delicacy and finesse.*

## **CÔTE DE BEAUNE (WHITE)**

### **Domaine Bernard-Bonin, Meursault**

*(tasted 10/17)*

### **Bourgogne blanc Initiales B. B. 2015 \*\*\*(\*)**

*Pale straw gold. Focused, very fresh nose of white fruit and blanched nut. In the mouth, the wine has tension and nuance along with a promising, well-defined finish. A superior Bourgogne from a parcel of 50-year old vines bordering Meursault and Puligny.*

### **Meursault Vieilles Vignes 2015 \*\*\*(\*)**

*Pale gold. Very youthful and with a great deal in reserve. Classic “stony” Meursault with an assertive, chiseled backbone. Demands to be kept to show its full worth.*

### **Meursault Le Limozin 2015 \*\*\*(\*)**

*Pale gold. Lovely expressive nose with skillfully integrated oak. A great deal in reserve with noteworthy tension. The aftertaste offers early complexity and an etched frame.*

### **Meursault Les Tillets 2015 \*\*\*(\*)**

*Pale gold. Lovely, nuanced, youthful flowery aroma combining citrus and white fruit accents. The palate is racy and chiseled with promising dimension on the finish.*

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### **Meursault Premier Cru Charmes Dessus 2015 \*\*\*(\*+)**

*Pale gold. Expressive, nuanced aroma, subtle rather than overtly expressive. In its taste, the wine is restrained, with a degree of Charmes sensuality. Firmly defined, incisive conclusion.*

### **Meursault Premier Cru Les Genevrières 2015 \*\*\*\*(+)**

*Pale gold. High-toned, multidimensional young aroma with white pepper, citrus and “stony” notes. The taste boasts integration and poise with defining acidity, length and budding complexity. Two parcels, 45-year old vines.*

### **Puligny-Montrachet Premier Cru La Garenne 2015 \*\*\*\*(+)**

*Pale gold. Concentrated nose with youthful expressiveness and promise. The wine offers notable volume and a measure of restraint. Multidimensional aftertaste with “stony” and nutty highlights and elevated acidity.*

### Domaine Michelot, Meursault

(tasted 2/18)

### **Bourgogne blanc 2015 \*\*\*(+)**

*Pale straw gold. Very clean, pure with lovely inflections. Transparent palate, light-to medium-bodied with heightened tension. Lasting, bone-dry aftertaste. An excellent Bourgogne.*

### **Meursault 2015 \*\*\*(\*)**

*Pale straw gold. Very clean young nose with Meursault typicité: white fruit, blanched almond and “stony” notes. The palate is restrained and transparent, medium weight and chiseled at the end.*

### **Meursault Sous La Velle 2015 \*\*\*(\*)**

*Pale straw gold. Clean, high-toned, flowery aromatic profile expressing citrus and white fruit. On the palate, Sous La Velle exhibits a transparent, weightless quality and is graceful and understated with a fine structure.*

### **Meursault Premier Cru Genevrières 2015 \*\*\*(\*)**

*Pale straw gold. Very clean, subtle and finely nuanced to the nose. More expressive in its taste, but not concentrated. Delicate conclusion.*

### **Puligny-Montrachet 2015 \*\*\*(+)**

*Very pale gold. Muted nose. Focused, particularly delicate in the mouth though this village white displays more intensity in the finish, imparting blanched nut and a final saline impression.*

### **Domaine & Maison Morey-Coffinet, Chassagne**

*(tasted 10/17)*

### **Bourgogne blanc 2015 \*\*\*(+)** - Domaine

*Pale gold. The youthful, restrained aroma indicates mature fruit. The palate has ripeness, flesh and presence. There is noteworthy volume and richness for a Bourgogne, with just the right use of oak. Well-balanced with ripe, embedded acidity.*

### **Chassagne-Montrachet Les Houillères 2015 \*\*\*(\*)** - Domaine

*Pale gold. Very fine, expressive nose with nascent complexity, white fruits and floral lift. In its taste, this 2015 is both focused and composed with excellent intensity and definition. Shows notable persistence. Vines 60 years old.*

### **Chassagne-Montrachet Premier Cru En Cailleret 2015 \*\*\*\*(+)** - Domaine

*Pale gold. Lovely, classy, high-toned aroma of white fruit and acacia flower together with complementary oak (35% new). The palate is dominated by aromatic lift and is nuanced with flattering oak. Long, very fine, complex finish.*

### **Chassagne-Montrachet Premier Cru La Romanée 2015 \*\*\*\*(\*)** - Domaine

*Pale gold. Reserved, deep and concentrated aroma. Beautiful, high class. Barely noticeable, perfectly judged oak. Shows youthful restraint and is long and textured with a fine spine of ripe acidity. 58-year old vines, 40% new oak.*

### **Meursault Premier Cru Perrières 2015 \*\*\*\*(\*)** - Maison

*Pale gold. Very young, concentrated aroma with hints of white fruit. There is evident richness, and this 2015 fills the mouth and displays considerable length and early complexity. A spinal column of acidity frames the wine. An archetypal Perrières. Purchased as grapes or must and vinified in-house. 40% new oak.*

**CÔTE DE BEAUNE & CÔTE DE NUITS (RED)**

**Domaine Jacques Prieur, Meursault**

(tasted 2/17)

**Beaune Premier Cru Champs-Pinot 2015 \*\*\*(\*)**

*Dark red, moderately dense, with purple rim. Closed at first, hiding evident fruit maturity and substance. Generous and mouth-filling for Beaune, medium- to full-bodied. Masked ripe fruit. Fine structure.*

**Corton Bressandes Grand Cru 2015 \*\*\*(\*)**

*Moderately dense dark purple red. Mature dark berries and spice in the aroma which carry over to the palate. Long albeit young finish showing spice, oak and tension.*

**Clos de Vougeot Grand Cru 2015 \*\*\*\*(+)**

*Dark purple red, nearly moderately dense. The nose is mostly non-expressive, suggesting dark berries and fruits along with spice notes and an earthy background. This wine boasts a gorgeous taste profile, unusually flattering for Vougeot with a signature irony accent. Has hidden defining structure to match the core of fruit and noteworthy finishing intensity.*

**Domaine Lignier-Michelot, Morey-Saint-Denis**

(tasted 2/17)

**Chambolle-Musigny Vieilles Vignes 2015 \*\*\*(+)?**

*Dark red purple, pale plus. Very young, high-toned nose of wild red berries, medium concentration. Backward and difficult to assess, with overtones of red berries and underlying richness. May reveal more with time.*

**Morey-Saint-Denis Vieilles Vignes 2015 \*\*\*(\*)?**

*Pale plus dark ruby purple. Young, reserved. Accents of soil and wild red fruits. The taste possesses controlled richness and tension. Medium-bodied plus. Etched, somewhat severe finale.*

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### **Morey-Saint-Denis En la Rue de Vergy 2015 \*\*\*(\*?)**

*Pale plus very dark ruby purple. Closed aromatically, all in reserve. Hidden red berries, oak. Opens very slowly on the palate, revealing depth and fruit at the center. Tightly-wound but has potential.*

### **Morey-Saint-Denis Premier Cru Les Faconnières 2015 \*\*\*(\*)**

*Pale very dark ruby purple. Very young, restrained to the nose with a delicate perfume of red berries and integrated oak. Again largely hidden away. Has strength and underlying texture, ending with a fine structure.*

### **Domaine Frédéric Magnien, Morey-Saint-Denis**

*(tasted 2/18)*

### **Bourgogne rouge 2015 \*\*\*(\*) for a regional**

*Pale dark ruby purple. Clean aroma of attractive and ripe red berries and small fruits. The wine is delicate and nuanced in its taste, medium weight. High-toned finish with lovely aromatic expression. Ends firm, etched. A superior Bourgogne.*

### **Côte de Nuits Villages “Coeur de Roches” 2015 \*\*\*(+)**

*Pale dark ruby with purple rim. Clean, restrained nose of red cherry and red apple. Clean, non-expressive attack. Medium-bodied. Very dry final taste.*

### **Chambolle-Musigny Vieilles Vignes 2015 \*\*\*(\*?)**

*Pale dark ruby purple. The nose expresses little, hinting at small red fruits. Clean, fresh, dry impression. Taut, with a lasting sense of tension. Backward.*

### **Morey-Saint-Denis Premier Cru Clos Sorbes 2015 \*\*\*(\*)**

*Pale dark ruby purple. Muted nose hiding red fruit and leaf. Closed on entry to the palate, medium-bodied plus. Gains in amplitude through the finish. Long, tense, etched. Very young, a keeper.*

### **Domaine Jacques-Frédéric Mugnier, Chambolle-Musigny**

*(tasted 2/17)*

### **Chambolle-Musigny 2015 \*\*\*(\*)**

*Pale dark ruby purple. Highly inflected, high-toned nose of wild red berries. The palate is similarly inflected and perfumed, medium-bodied plus. Persistent, mouth-coating aftertaste with a lingering wild red berry scent.*

**Nuits-Saint-Georges Premier Cru Clos de la Maréchale 2015 \*\*\*\*(+)**

*Pale dark ruby purple. Intensely fragrant youthful aroma with masked red berries, well-matched oak and an earthy note. The beautiful palate is layered, multifaceted and ample, concluding with a promising finish of considerable length framed by a ripe, well-calibrated structure. Excellent potential.*

**Domaine Sylvain Cathiard & Fils, Vosne-Romanée**

*(tasted 2/17)*

**Vosne-Romanée 2015 \*\*\*(+)**

*Dark purple red, moderate density. The reticent nose suggests hidden red and dark fruits with irony, earthy elements. The palate is backward and very youthful, not fully knit. Undeveloped finish and fine structure.*

**Nuits-Saint-Georges Premier Cru Aux Thorey 2015 \*\*\*\*(+)**

*Dark purple, just medium density. Very youthful expression of black fruits and berries with notable depth and masked generosity. In its taste, Aux Thorey is ample, nearly chewy, with an irony black fruit profile and a note of ink. Long textured finish.*

**Nuits-Saint-Georges Premier Cru Aux Murgers 2015 \*\*\*\*(+)**

*Pale plus very dark red purple. Especially youthful, almost primary black fruit with flattering new oak. Deep, chewy palate, full-bodied and layered. Embedded acidity and tannin at the end.*

**Vosne-Romanée Premier Cru Aux Malconsorts 2015 \*\*\*\*(\*)**

*Nearly moderate density, very dark red with purple rim. Profound, generous, warm nose with an enticing mix of ripe black berries and black fruits. The wine is large-scaled and mouth-filling with rich mature black fruits and oak spice accents. The generous fruit is backed by structure with tannic grip in the final taste. Not yet fully together, but all the elements are present.*

**Domaine Daniel Rion, Vosne-Romanée**

(tasted 2/18)

**Bourgogne rouge 2015 \*\*\*(\*) for a regional**

*Pale ruby-purple. The nose shows youthful restraint with masked wild red fruit and red berries. Reticent at first in the mouth, then layered, lovely youthful fruit. The finale is marked by tension and backbone. A promising Bourgogne.*

**Côte de Nuits Villages 2015 \*\*\*(\*)**

*Pale plus dark ruby with purple rim. Very young and held back with hidden red cherry and subtle leafiness. In its taste, this 2015 is far more forthcoming. Medium weight with a polished mouth-feel and notable purity. Balanced structure. An excellent example of this sometimes rustic appellation.*

**Nuits-Saint-Georges Vieilles Vignes 2015 \*\*\*\*(+?)**

*Pale dark ruby-purple. The aroma is focused and very fine and pure, with appealing ripe red berries. The palate is narrowly focused on entry, medium weight plus, then gains in presence and offers highly expressive red berries on a well-defined finish imparting chalky tannins and tension. This has the dimension of a premier cru.*

**Nuits-Saint-Georges Les Grandes Vignes 2015 \*\*\*\*(+)**

*Pale dark ruby-purple. Very young, elusive aromatics with a suggestion of red berries. Closed attack opening to offer surprising polish and a beautiful fruit perfume. Precisely calibrated tension.*

**Nuits-Saint-Georges Premier Cru Aux Vignerondes 2015 \*\*\*(\*)**

*Pale dark ruby-purple. Very pure and forthcoming aroma of red raspberry. The palate is more reserved, medium weight plus, with a core of red berry fruit. Fine acidity and chalky grip.*

**Vosne-Romanée 2015 \*\*\*(\*)**

*Pale ruby-purple. Very youthful, very pure, lovely red berries. Young, subtle and tense palate, precise and medium weight. Long, well-defined aftertaste.*

### **Vosne-Romanée Premier Cru Les Beaux Monts 2015 \*\*\*\*(+)**

*Pale ruby-purple. Clean, finely nuanced nose with youthful restraint. Ideally mature small red fruits. Terrific precision, purity and tension on the palate. Etched, dry, aromatic finish.*

### **Clos de Vougeot Le Petit Mauperthuis Grand Cru 2015 \*\*\*\*(\*)**

*Pale dark ruby with purple rim. Concentration and notable reserve. Focused pure red berry scent. Concentrated and layered with a ripe, sweet undertone. A true grand cru in its infancy with a long future, but not aggressive in any way. Finely structured for Vougeot, lasting and perfumed. Wonderful blend of strength and finesse: the sensual face of this cru.*

### **Domaine Humbert Frères, Gevrey-Chambertin**

*(tasted 2/17)*

### **Fixin Vieilles Vignes 2015 \*\*\*(+)**

*Pale plus dark red with purple. A volatile note at first. Assertive, irony with dark red berries in the background. Linear, medium weight. Dry, chiseled frame. This seems on the severe side and certainly needs softening.*

### **Gevrey-Chambertin Vieilles Vignes 2015 \*\*\*(\*)**

*Pale plus dark ruby with purple at edge. Reticent, mostly in reserve. Underlying generosity, maturity and depth with a suggestion of red berries. The palate is far more giving and surprisingly full of charm for a young Gevrey. Has substance, depth, tension and budding length.*

### **Gevrey-Chambertin Premier Cru Poissenot 2015 \*\*\*(\*+)**

*Dark red-purple, pale plus. Mature wild dark and red berries. Youthful generosity, concentration. Very youthful taste impression, full-bodied, mouth-coating and lasting. This is always a signature wine for Humbert.*

### **Charmes-Chambertin Grand Cru 2015 \*\*\*\*(+)**

*Dark purple of moderate density. Very youthful, restrained aroma with evident raw material. Ripe dark fruit and berries. Generous in weight, vigorous and chewy. Long finish albeit still undeveloped in expression with balancing structure and tension. A Charmes of true grand cru stature.*

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### Domaine Denis Mortet, Gevrey-Chambertin

(tasted 10/17)

#### **Marsannay Les Longeroies 2015 \*\*\*(+)**

*Pale dark ruby-purple. Youthful aroma of attractively ripe red berries and smoky oak. The palate shows masked fruit and is medium-bodied plus. Soft underlying mouth-feel. Ripe, harmonious structure.*

#### **Gevrey-Chambertin “Mes Cinq Terroirs” 2015 \*\*\*(\*+)**

*Pale dark ruby-purple. Youthfully reserved to the nose, hiding concentration and mature red berries married with oak. On the palate, this Gevrey reveals surprising volume and dimension. Very young and undeveloped with underlying fruit purity. Promising finish: tension and backbone but without typical Gevrey austerity. 100% new oak for 18 months, which suits the raw material. Makes a statement.*

#### **Gevrey-Chambertin Premier Cru Lavaux Saint-Jacques 2015 \*\*\*\*(+)**

*Very dark ruby-purple, nearly moderately dense. The young nose has considerable reserve and suggests ripe dark red and wild berries complemented by smoky oak. The palate is more forward and unexpectedly tender, with sweet dark fruit flavors. Medium weight plus, this seductive premier cru is already long with beautiful defining acidity and persistent fruit aromatics.*

### Domaine Taupenot-Merme, Morey-Saint-Denis

(tasted 10/17)

#### **Bourgogne rouge 2015 \*\*\*(+)**

*Pale dark ruby-purple. Engaging youthful aroma of red berries. Vibrant, very fresh and juicy in its taste with youthful energy and grip.*

#### **Gevrey-Chambertin 2015 \*\*\*(\*)**

*Pale ruby-purple. A nose of medium concentration and red berries, very young. Has poise, lift and very attractive red berry fruit in its taste profile. Long and well-defined. An elegant rather than assertive Gevrey.*

#### **Chambolle-Musigny 2015 \*\*\*(\*)**

*Pale ruby with a purple rim. Restrained youthful aroma of wild berries and red fruit. Tender, graceful and persistent. Has both sensuality and defining tension. Ripe acidity surfaces at the very end.*

### **Morey-Saint-Denis 2015 \*\*\*(\*)**

*Pale dark red with purple. The nose is mostly held back and hints at wild red berries and small fruits. In its taste, this Morey is similarly young and undeveloped. Slowly reveals more, leaving a final impression of red berries and tension.*

### **Gevrey-Chambertin Premier Cru Bel Air 2015 \*\*\*(\*)**

*Pale dark ruby with purple. The nose is all in reserve, hiding mature dark berries. Very young and reserved taste profile, yet possesses depth and definition with notable closing tension.*

### **Morey-Saint-Denis Premier Cru La Riotte 2015 \*\*\*(\*+)**

*Pale dark ruby with purple. Clean, largely closed nose suggesting ripe red berries. The taste imparts both sensuality and polish. Long, flattering and nuanced if very young. Fine integrated structure.*

### **Nuits-Saint-Georges Premier Cru Les Pruliers 2015 \*\*\*(\*)**

*Pale dark ruby with purple. Closed with the barest hint of red berries. Far more expressive on the palate, marrying flowers, wild berries and earth notes. Promising youthful length with heightened tension.*

### **Chambolle-Musigny Premier Cru La Combe d'Orveau 2015 \*\*\*\*(+)**

*Very pale dark ruby with purple rim. Initially reserved to the nose but with a background of complex fruit nuances, notably pure red and wild berries and small red fruits. The wine's taste is layered, multidimensional and seductive. Medium weight plus. The finish is particularly expressive at this early stage and conveys enticing berry fruit highlights. This shows very well.*

### **Corton Rognet Grand Cru 2015 \*\*\*\*(+)**

*Pale dark ruby with purple rim. The reticent youthful nose has controlled intensity and a core of wild red berries. The palate is concentrated and focused, opening toward the finish to show layered berry fruit. Dry and well-defined, but not severe. An excellent Corton with terrific potential.*

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### **Charmes-Chambertin Grand Cru 2015 \*\*\*\*(+)**

*Very pale ruby with purple at rim. Young, elusive aroma of wild red berries and an irony note. On the palate, this grand cru is very lovely and nuanced as well as mouth-coating, with fruit sweetness and lingering perfumed ripeness. Harmonious and finely constructed. Pure and classy. From the upper part of Charmes alongside Chambertin, 40-year old vines.*

### **Mazoyères-Chambertin Grand Cru 2015 \*\*\*\*(\*)**

*Pale dark ruby-purple. Very young, beautiful, multidimensional nose of red and wild berries. The taste profile is remarkably tender and very finely calibrated with an exceptionally fine structure revealed in the final taste. True grand cru dimension and finesse. Vines 50+ years old.*

### **Domaine Armand Rousseau, Gevrey-Chambertin** (tasted 2/17)

### **Gevrey-Chambertin 2015 \*\*\*(\*)**

*Pale dark red-purple. Medium concentration to the nose with an attractive mix of red and dark fruit with an inky highlight. On the palate, the wine is more revealing and delivers lovely, nuanced red berries and small fruits. There is tension and surprising length. Stylish and complex for a village wine.*

### **Charmes-Chambertin Grand Cru 2015 \*\*\*\*(+)**

*Pale plus purple-ruby. Exciting purity and enticing red berry perfume. The taste reveals complexity and pronounced aromatics. Tender, then closes up at the end. Fine structure. Noteworthy finesse, not power.*

### **Clos de la Roche Grand Cru 2015 \*\*\*\*(+)**

*Dark red with purple rim, pale plus. Very beautiful, very pure aroma with notable volume and a sensational red berry, earthy perfume. The taste follows the nose in its expression and dimension. In the aftertaste, an exciting aromatic flourish lasts a very long time, and there is tension and grip as well.*

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### **Chambertin Grand Cru 2015 \*\*\*\*(\*)**

*Dark ruby-purple, pale plus. Extraordinary purity and class and perfect fruit ripeness. Gorgeous perfumed red berries and seductive, subtly creamy oak. More closed on attack, this Chambertin opens gradually to display multidimensional aromatics. Very long, expressive aftertaste and balanced ripe structure. A sublime, relatively accessible Chambertin in a vintage of ideal maturity.*