



Burgundy 2010 Offer

Tasting a range of Burgundy 2010 this November was a real surprise. After the highly heralded 2009, some producers had been hinting that 2010 would be different but equally good! We had our doubts as winemakers do tend to praise their wines even in difficult vintages, but we were wrong to be suspicious, as the wines exceeded our wildest expectations. The whites have great balance, often a blend between 2007 and 2008 but perhaps a little richer; generally they have striking acidity with clean flavours often with notes of citrus fruit. The minerality is very apparent and some wines will definitely need a little time to soften and develop. The reds also benefit from great freshness and purity. We often noticed a hint of fresh spices and white pepper. They are naturally concentrated as the yields are very small. The alcohol level is fairly low and many producers had to chaptalise a little, but this helped them to prolong the alcoholic fermentation. Not as bold and rich as 2009, the 2010 vintage will prove to be a star amongst the classic vintages. 2010 is a perfect reminder of why we love Burgundy!

The Domaines visited

Bruno Colin. Beautifully chiselled whites with high balancing acidity, citrus and mineral notes. Chassagne Vergers intense with lime and great intensity. Need time. Morgeot is richer but still tight with firm and very fresh finish. The reds are still quite closed with the exception of the Bourgogne, already very attractive.

Francois Carillon. Francois is getting more settled every year and the 2010 are a great success. The Puligny is already showing very well but the premiers crus are really exceptional. All time favourite the Puligny Perrieres has class and great length. Quite rich but perfectly balanced with the lovely acidity of the vintage. Very clean and classy. Surely the best wines made since the two brothers have split the Domaine.

Domaine Pernot Belicard. Francois Carillon recommended Philippe Pernot to me. Philippe's family owns the Domaine Paul Pernot but for the time being he's looking after his wife's vineyards. The Domaine Belicard used to sell all their wines to the négoce and Philippe started to bottle 2 years ago. The wines are already very impressive; he's lucky to have vineyards in some top premier crus like Puligny Perrieres and Meursault Perrieres.

Jean Philippe Fichet. I have been working with Jean Philippe for a long, long time and I have no problem to say that I believe that 2010 is his best vintage to date. Lovely acidity and concentration with near perfect use of oak. The wines all express very clear terroir definition; The Meursault is a blend coming from one third low lying vineyards and two third hillside vineyards, the perfect combination according to Jean Philippe. The Meursault Tessons is so bright and complex that it should really be awarded a Premier Cru.

Thomas Morey. The 2010 vintage suits Thomas's style. The wines are tight and delicate with great length. They are richer than the rather austere 2007s but will also need a few years to develop. Even the Bâtard Montrachet, often an appellation producing rather heavy wines, has a lovely acidity and minerality.

Olivier Lamy. Understandingly Olivier is very pleased with his 2010. The wines have a beautiful balance. He's using mainly 600 barrels to reduce the impact of the oak on his wines. Even the simple Bourgogne shows better than its rank but the real star of the tasting was the Premier Cru Remilly, rich and intense. Also unique is the very rare High Density Derriere Chez Edouard showing incredible minerality.

Domaine de Courcel. Yves Confuron has really succeeded in this vintage. The wines here can be quite austere in their early stages but the 2010 were amazingly pure and showing a beautiful fruit with classic Pinot notes. Intense but fresh, the wines have an incredible balance and are very seductive. The Grand Clos des Epenots has an extra level of spices and complexity, but the Rugiens is once again the star and could be Grand Cru if Pommard had been awarded as such.

Domaine Lignier Michelot. Virgile Lignier was just back from a trip overseas on our visit and the wines were showing much fresher than him! The various Morey 1er Crus were in top form but were eclipsed by the succulent Clos Saint Denis which is unfortunately much too rare.

Domaine Marc Roy. Alexandrine Roy was understandably pleased by the vintage. She only owns village vineyards but, perhaps a blessing in disguise, she works even harder to extract the quintessence of the vines. The Vieilles Vignes is beautifully chiseled and the Clos Prieur could easily be taken for a premier cru.

Domaine Robert Chevillon. Bertrand and Denis keep producing superb wines always in tune with the terroir. The Perrières has classic mineral notes, the Cailles is more seductive while the Vaucrains requires time to settle its big tannin structure.

Domaine Confuron Cotetidot. I am not sure if Yves Confuron knows how much his wines are appreciated as they represent some of the best value in Burgundy. Many top Domaines have now reached a cult status and are not easily approachable, but not Confuron Cotetidot. Yves hasn't changed much and is still very humble despite the worldwide recognition and ever increasing demand for his wines. Not surprisingly 2010 is a great success here.

Domaine Taupenot Merme. A new Domaine for us last year, I was keen to taste the 2010 from Romain Taupenot. And I was in for a treat. The wines are beautifully balanced, very perfumed and with nice terroir expression. The village wines are seductive and will be nice in their youth but the stars were the grands crus, especially the Mazoyères Chambertin which was an explosion of flavour even before the end of the ageing.

Domaine De Montille. A huge tasting here of nearly 20 wines. The whites were sublime with delicate but with marked freshness. The reds were also very delicate, especially from the Côte de Beaune vineyards. Very perfumed and seductive, even a little understated. The Côte de Nuits wines had a bit more structure but beautiful tannins and scored more by their balance than their power.

Notes: The wines will be shipped between May and December 2012. Prices are in bond (London City Bond) per case of 12 bottles or 6 magnums. Duty and VAT will be charged at the rate in force at the time of delivery. Delivery will be charged at cost. **Estimate** indicates that we don't have yet the prices; we will confirm as soon as possible.

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Jean Philippe Fichet

White

BOURGOGNE BLANC	£111
BOURGOGNE BLANC Vieilles Vignes – sold out	£144
HAUTE COTE DE BEAUNE	£105
AUXEY DURESSES – sold out	£177
MONTHELIE BLANC – sold out	£138
MEURSAULT	£252
MEURSAULT Meix sous le Chateau	£279
MEURSAULT Gruyaches – sold out	£334
MEURSAULT Chevalieres – sold out	£370
MEURSAULT Tessons – sold out	£397
MEURSAULT 1er Cru Genevrieries – sold out	£457
PULIGNY MONTRACHET 1er Cru Referts – sold out	£535

Red

BOURGOGNE ROUGE	£100
MONTHELIE 1er Cru	£181
AUXEY DURESSES	£155

Bruno Colin

White

CHASSAGNE-MONTRACHET	£210
CHASSAGNE-MONTRACHET 1 ^{er} Cru - Les Chaumées	£310
CHASSAGNE-MONTRACHET 1 ^{er} Cru - Les Vergers	£310

Red

BOURGOGNE PINOT NOIR	£79
CHASSAGNE-MONTRACHET Vieilles Vignes	£138
SANTENAY Vieilles Vignes	£119

Domaine De Courcel

BOURGOGNE PINOT NOIR	£202
POMMARD Vaumuriens	£351
POMMARD 1er Cru Croix Noires	£395
POMMARD 1er Cru Fremiers	£395
POMMARD 1er Cru Grand Clos des Epenots	£511
POMMARD 1er Cru Rugiens – sold out	£648

Thomas Morey

White

CHASSAGNE MONTRACHET 1er Cru Embrazées	£343
CHASSAGNE MONTRACHET 1er Cru Morgeot	£337

Red

SANTENAY Vieilles Vignes	£138
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Olivier Lamy

White

SAINT AUBIN La Princesse	£158
SAINT AUBIN 1er Cru Derriere Chez Edouard	£199
SAINT AUBIN 1er Cru Clos du Meix –sold out	£199
SAINT AUBIN 1er Cru Remilly – sold out	£248
PULIGNY MONTRACHET Tremblots	£272

Red

SAINT AUBIN 1er Cru Derriere Chez Edouard	£199
SANTENAY Les Hates	£168
CHASSAGNE MONTRACHET La Goujonne	£181

Domaine Nicolas Rossignol

BOURGOGNE L'HERITIERE	£137
BEAUNE 1 ^{er} cru CLOS DES MOUCHES	£318
BEAUNE 1 ^{er} cru REVERSEES	£190
BEAUNE 1 ^{er} cru CLOS DU ROY	£225
PERNAND VERGELESSES 1 ^{er} cru FICHOTS	£190
POMMARD	£200
POMMARD PETITS NOIZONS	£333
POMMARD LES VIGNOTS	£267
POMMARD 1 ^{er} cru CHANLINS	£462
POMMARD 1er cru RUGIENS	£495
POMMARD 1 ^{er} cru EPENOTS	£495
POMMARD 1er cru CHAPONNIERES	£372
POMMARD 1er cru FREMIERS	£395
POMMARD 1er cru ARGILLIERES	£372
POMMARD 1er cru CROIX NOIRES	£372
POMMARD 1 ^{er} cru JAROLIERES	£450
SAVIGNY LES BEAUNE 1ER CRU FOURNEAUX	£200
SAVIGNY LES BEAUNE 1ER CRU LAVIERES	£200
VOLNAY 1 ^{er} cru CAILLERET	£435
VOLNAY 1 ^{er} cru CHEVRET	£330
VOLNAY 1 ^{er} cru CLOS DES ANGLES	£275
VOLNAY 1 ^{er} cru FREMIETS	£300
VOLNAY 1 ^{er} cru RONCERET	£330
VOLNAY 1 ^{er} cru SANTENOTS	£275

Domaine Taupenot Merme

AUXEY DURESSES white	£155
<i>Red</i>	
GEVREY CHAMBERTIN	£265
CHAMBOLLE MUSIGNY	£295
NUITS ST GEORGES 1er Cru Les Pruliers – sold out	£450
GEVREY CHAMBERTIN 1er Cru Bel Air	£450
MOREY ST DENIS 1er Cru La Riotte	£450
CORTON ROGNET – sold out	£530
CHAMBOLLE 1er Cru Combe D’Orveau – sold out	£550
CHARMES CHAMBERTIN – sold out	£785
MAZOYERES CHAMBERTIN – sold out	£800

Domaine Robert Chevillon

NUITS ST GEORGES	£254
NUITS ST GEORGES 1er Cru Chaignots	£367
NUITS ST GEORGES 1er Cru Roncieres	£367
NUITS ST GEORGES 1er Cru Perrieres	£367
NUITS ST GEORGES 1er Cru Les Cailles – sold out	£465
NUITS ST GEORGES 1er Cru Vaucrains – sold out	£465

Confuron Cotetidot

BOURGOGNE PINOT NOIR	£114
VOSNE ROMANÉE	£275
NUITS ST GEORGES	£275
GEVREY CHAMBERTIN	£275
CHAMBOLLE MUSIGNY	£280
POMMARD	£275
POMMARD 1er Cru Arvelets	£360
GEVREY CHAMBERTIN 1 er cru Craipillot	£350
GEVREY 1 er cru Lavaux St Jacques – sold out	£495
GEVREY CHAMBERTIN 1 er cru Petite Chapelle	£495
VOSNE ROMANÉE 1 er cru Les Suchots	£495
NUITS ST GEORGES 1 er cru Vignes Rondes	£420
ECHZEZAUX	£775
CLOS VOUGEOT	£875
CHARMES CHAMBERTIN – sold out	£950
MAZIS CHAMBERTIN – sold out	£1,200

Domaine Marc Roy

MARSANNAY white Les Champs Perdrix	£176
GEVREY CHAMBERTIN Vieilles Vignes	£301
GEVREY CHAMBERTIN Clos Prieur	£331
GEVREY CHAMBERTIN Cuvée Alexandrine	£438

Domaine Lignier Michelot

BOURGOGNE PINOT NOIR	£108
CHAMBOLLE MUSIGNY Vieilles Vignes	£240
MOREY ST DENIS Vieilles Vignes	£230
MOREY ST DENIS En La Rue de Vergy	£230
GEVREY CHAMBERTIN Cuvée Bertin	£235
CHAMBOLLE MUSIGNY 1er Cru Cuvée Jules	£420
MOREY ST DENIS 1er Cru Les Faconnieres	£370
MOREY ST DENIS 1er Cru Les Chenevery	£370
MOREY ST DENIS 1er Cru Aux Charmes	£370
MOREY ST DENIS 1er Cru Aux Chezeaux	£370
CLOS DE LA ROCHE	£1000
CLOS ST DENIS	£1050
CHARMES CHAMBERTIN	£1,300