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## OPENING OFFER OF 2016s FROM BURGUNDY



Autumn gold in Chassagne Montrachet

### Foreword

Any commentary on the 2016 vintage in Burgundy is necessarily dominated by one catastrophic event: the frost which caused such devastation on the morning of Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> April. After a mild winter there was already concern that the growing cycle would begin early. Fortunately, cooler weather in March kept things more or less normal. But on the night of 26<sup>th</sup>/27<sup>th</sup> April, temperatures fell below zero and, most seriously of all, the day dawned clear and bright. What made the damage so severe was not the intensity of the frost (no more than 2.5-3 degrees below zero) but the

morning sun hitting the frozen buds. The ice somehow magnifies the sun's rays, and the almost instant thaw causes the fragile cells in the young shoots to burst. Céline Fontaine told us that she was in the vines as the sun came up, and in the space of 40 minutes watched everything that was exposed to the sun turn black. Even the undamaged vines took a month to recover from the shock, and flowering was consequently late. This was exacerbated by higher than average rainfall throughout April, May and June. From early July however, the weather improved significantly, and the remainder of the summer passed uneventfully, with above average hours of sun recorded in July, August and September. A particularly hot spell at the beginning of September was especially welcome as it concentrated the juice in the berries. Picking of the crop – very small where frost damage was bad, and paradoxically relatively abundant where there was no frost damage – took place in excellent conditions. The wines are full of appeal to lovers of classic Burgundy – with marvellous aromatics, great finesse, and very good expression of *terroir*. The sharp eyed will notice two domaines absent from our list, with both of which we have worked without break for more than 20 years. Domaine Arnoux Lachaux has altered its commercial arrangements in the UK, and its wines will be offered later in the year. And after several years of threats, Daniel Bocquenet has retired, selling all his 2016 fruit to a négociant. We will miss his Nuits Aux St Julien and his Echézeaux very much – they have brought great pleasure to Burgundy lovers for many years – and we wish him a long and happy retirement.

Richard Berkley-Matthews,  
24<sup>th</sup> December 2017.



Heading from Aloxe to Pernand

## Domaine Simon Bize

Following the untimely death of the wonderful Patrick Bize on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2013, this large (20 hectare) domaine is being run by his widow Chisa. There is input from Patrick's sister (married to Etienne Grivot) and also of course Guillaume Bott, who has been responsible for the white wines for some years. No doubt Patrick and Chisa's teenage son Hugo will begin to play a part before long. The vineyards were ravaged by the April frosts – as a result of which there is no Bourgogne (Rouge or Blanc) this year, and most of the Savigny appellations are reduced in quantity by around 75%.



### Red Wines

Per case In Bond

#### 2016 Savigny Les Beaune

£240.00

A blend which includes the small amount of Bourgeots produced. Lovely supple length. Drink 2019-2023.

#### 2016 Aloxe Corton Le Suchot

£360.00

“Only” reduced by 50%. Generous, ripe and fine-grained. Drink 2019-2023.

#### 2016 Savigny Les Beaune

Per 6 bottles

£150.00

#### Aux Grands Liards

Only 3 cases x 6 available. Drink 2019-2023.

### White Wines

Per case In Bond

#### 2016 Savigny Les Beaune Blanc

£240.00

Fabulous – taugt and intensely mineral – but only 20% of the normal crop. Drink 2018-2021.

## Domaine Marc-Antonin Blain

As well as working with his maternal grandmother, Marie-Joséphé Gagnard (see Domaine Gagnard Delagrange below), Marc-Antonin is also making his own wines. In keeping with the wise traditions of this exceptional Burgundian family, ownership of small parcels of vines are passed down the generations each year, and Marc-Antonin now has 1.16 hectares. He has also taken over buildings in Chassagne, next to his parents (Domaine Blain Gagnard), which came from Marie-Joséphé's mother's family (Bachelet) and were previously used by her father, Edmond Delagrange. Their gradual renovation continues, bringing back to working life some really marvellous buildings. In addition, Marc Antonin and his sister Lucie have bought 5.5 hectares of 50-70 year old vines on the Côte de Brouilly in the Beaujolais and are making seriously high quality Cru Beaujolais under the Blain Soeur et Frère label. No frost damage in the Beaujolais!



### Red Wines

Per case In Bond

#### 2016 Côte de Brouilly Pierre Bleu

£156.00

Deep ruby colour. Fresh, juicy and ripe with lovely balance on the finish. Really delicious. Drink 2018-2021.

#### 2016 Côte de Brouilly Les Jumeaux

£180.00

Very similar fruit profile to the Pierre Bleu, but with just a little more structure and weight on the finish. Drink 2018-2022.

**2016 Chassagne Montrachet Blanc**

**£330.00**

From the *lieu dit* Les Voillenots, and vines planted in 1976. Only two barrels produced this year of this wonderfully concentrated and intense Chassagne. Drink 2018-2022.

**2016 Bâtard Montrachet Grand Cru**

**Per 6 bottles £798.00**

Vines planted in 1983. Miniscule production. Superb complexity. Drink 2020-2026.

**Domaine Bouchard Père et Fils**

This historic producer, founded in the first half of the 18<sup>th</sup> century, continues to go from strength to strength. Under the guidance of Philippe Prost, the vineyard and cellar team works with exceptional diligence to produce the best possible wines from one of the largest domaine holdings in Burgundy. The frost of 26<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> April took a serious toll on production. Picking began on 21<sup>st</sup> September.



Bouchard's Château de Beaune

## Red Wines

Per case In Bond

**2016 Bourgogne Pinot Noir La Vignée** £117.00  
Fruit entirely from the Côte d'Or. Soft and delicious. Drink 2018-2021.

**2016 Volnay 1er Cru Caillerets,** Per 6 bottles £324.00  
**Ancienne Cuvée Carnot (Domaine)** Per 1 magnum £117.00  
Ripe, balanced and very long on the finish. Drink 2019-2026.

**2016 Beaune 1er Cru Grèves,** Per 6 bottles £450.00  
**Vigne de L'Enfant Jésus (Domaine)** Per 1 magnum £159.00  
The flagship of Bouchard's holdings in Beaune, this is terroir of the most exceptional quality. Production was down by 30%. The wine has wonderful integration and complexity. Drink 2019-2026.

**2016 Le Corton Grand Cru (Domaine)** Per 6 bottles £480.00  
Beautiful Pinot character. Drink 2020-2028. Per 1 magnum £169.00

**2016 Clos Vougeot Grand Cru** Per 6 bottles £780.00  
Production from the domaine's vines (planted in 1956) was insufficient to produce a domaine cuvee, but was supplemented by bought fruit. The wine is superb- but we have 6 bottles only. Drink 2020-2028.

**2016 Echézeaux Grand Cru** Per 6 bottles £939.00  
Wonderfully expressive and generous. Drink 2020-2028.

**2016 Chambertin Clos de Bèze** Per 6 bottles £1,290.00  
**Grand Cru** Per 1 magnum £445.00  
Structured, ripe and seriously complex. Drink 2020-2028.

**2016 Bonnes Mares Grand Cru** Per 3 bottles £735.00  
**(Domaine)**  
Alas just 1 case of 3 bottles available. Drink 2020-2028.

## White Wines

Per case In Bond

**2016 Bourgogne Chardonnay La Vignée** £117.00  
40% of the wine is aged in barrel. Lovely lemon freshness to the fruit. Drink 2018-2020.

**2016 Meursault 1er Cru Genevrières** Per 6 bottles £312.00  
Per 1 magnum £115.00  
Ripe, concentrated and rounded ; generous softness and fine acidity. Very well balanced. Drink 2019-2024.

**2016 Meursault 1er Cru Perrières** Per 6 bottles £348.00  
Per 1 magnum £125.00  
Terrific precision and length. Drink 2019-2024.

**2016 Corton Charlemagne Grand Cru** Per 6 bottles £695.00  
Per 1 magnum £240.00  
25% less wine produced this year. Drink 2020-2026.

**2016 Chevalier Montrachet Grand Cru** Per 6 bottles £1,365.00  
Fabulous citrus intensity, and a really attractive hint of honey on the finish. Drink 2020-2026.

**2016 Chevalier Montrachet La Cabotte Grand Cru** Per 6 bottles £2,100.00  
Per 6 magnums £4,248.00  
Drink 2020-2026.

**2016 Le Montrachet Grand Cru** Per 6 bottles £2,700.00  
Drink 2020-2026. Per 1 magnum £920.00



## **Pierre Bourée Fils**

In the 19<sup>th</sup> century, Pierre Bourée took over a small négociant house in Gevrey Chambertin which had been founded in 1864. Over the years he built up his vineyard holdings, adding the domaine's monopole, Clos de la Justice, in 1902. He was succeeded by his son Bernard in 1922, and Bernard's two nephews Louis and François Vallet joined the firm after the 2<sup>nd</sup> World War. Today, the firm is run by Bernard Vallet, son of François, and his son Jean-Christophe. 40% of the wines produced come from Bourée's own vineyards, with the rest purchased as grapes. From 2016 vintage the wines are produced in the newly constructed winery in the centre of Gevrey, an inauspicious start given what Bernard described as the worst frost damage since 1981. This is a fabulous source, very little known on the UK market, of classically styled wines.



### **Red Wines**

### **Per case In Bond**

#### **2016 Bourgogne Rouge**

**£129.00**

Very pretty Pinot fruit character. Drink 2018-2022.

#### **2016 Gevrey Chambertin**

**£375.00**

Pure and complex, with outstanding ripeness and balance on the finish. Drink 2019-2024.

## Per case In Bond

**2016 Gevrey Chambertin Clos de la Justice** £465.00  
A *monopole* of the domaine, and in many ways the flagship Bourée wine, but only 13 barrels produced in 2016 instead of the usual 40. Lovely ripeness makes this very seductive indeed. Drink 2019-2026.

**2016 Charmes Chambertin Grand Cru,** £1,260.00  
Drink 2020-2028.

**2016 Clos de la Roche Grand Cru** £1,338.00  
Drink 2020-2028.

**2016 Chambertin Clos de Bèze Grand Cru** £2,100.00  
Drink 2020-2030.

## White Wines

## Per case In Bond

**2016 Bourgogne Blanc** £147.00  
Lovely fleshy ripeness, with fine acidity and very good persistence on the finish. Drink 2018-2020.

**2016 Auxey Duresses** £216.00  
A hint of toast on the nose. Lovely fat fruit on the palate, this is ripe, generous and long. Drink 2019-2022.

**2016 Meursault** £360.00  
Always an excellent cuvée here, this is rich and succulent with lovely peachy fruit. Supple acidity and good length. Drink 2019-2023.



## Domaine des Clos

Since 2009 Grégoire Bichot has been based in a fabulous 19<sup>th</sup> century winery in Nuits St Georges. As well as giving him plenty of space at ground level in which to work, it also has wonderful deep cellars that become particularly cold during the winter. This slows the malolactic fermentations, allowing the wines to develop an extra dimension of complexity. With the vineyards of Beaune, where most of this domaine's holdings are to be found, bearing the brunt of the adverse weather conditions in recent years, Grégoire has lost the equivalent of 3 entire crops in the last 5 years. What he has made in 2016 is stunning, but there is so very little of it.



Grégoire Bichot

### Red Wines

Per case In Bond

**2016 Chorey Les Beaune**

Per 6 bottles

£117.00

2 barrels only, compared with 9 in 2017 vintage. Fleshy and generous with lovely ripeness. Drink 2019-2023.

**2016 Beaune 1er Cru Les Grèves**

Per 6 bottles

£258.00

Largely unaffected by the frost, the wine is unbelievably dark and concentrated. Juicy, ripe and intense. Drink 2019-2024.

**2016 Nuits St Georges 1er Cru**

Per 6 bottles

£324.00

**Les Crots**

Complex and long, with wonderfully integrated tannins. Drink 2019-2024.

## White Wine

Per case In Bond

**2016 Chablis 1er Cru Vaillons Per 6 bottles £129.00**

75% of the crop was lost of this really wonderful Vaillons. Lovely citrus fruit and minerality, and superb lift on the finish. Drink 2019-2022.



The cellars at Domaine des Clos

## Domaine Darvot Perrin

An outstanding family domaine with cellars in Monthélie and vines mostly in Meursault, the day to day running is increasingly in the hands of Alix-Anne Darvot, daughter of Didier and Julie Darvot. Didier's drive for perfection seems sure to continue under the direction of Alix-Anne. This is one of the very best sources for fine, mineral Meursault with an exceptional capacity for age. The reds are also superb, though they make up a declining proportion of the domaine's production. Darvot described the frost damage incurred on 27<sup>th</sup> April as the worst since 1945, particularly in the 1ers and Grands Crus. Picking began on 23<sup>rd</sup> September.

## Red Wine

Per case In Bond

**2016 Volnay 1er Cru Les Santenots £564.00**

Weighty and structured, this has fabulous concentration and intensity. Very long and superbly balanced. Drink 2019-2026.

## White Wines

Per case In Bond

### **2016 Meursault Clos de la Velle**

**£480.00**

Full, ripe and succulent on the palate. Only 5 cases available of this fabulous Meursault. Drink 2019-2023.

### **2016 Meursault Le Tesson**

**£585.00**

A touch firmer than the Clos de la Velle, and perhaps a little more precise on the finish, though not quite as plump – so the choice between the two (if choose you must!) comes down to stylistic preference. Drink 2019-2023.

### **2016 Meursault 1er Cru Charmes**

**£819.00**

Tremendous complexity and length. Drink 2019-2024.

### **2016 Meursault 1er Cru Genevrières**

**£900.00**

Powerful minerality and stunning length. Drink 2019-2024.

### **2016 Meursault 1er Cru Perrières**

**£1,119.00**

Very fine indeed, with piercing intensity. Drink 2019-2024.

### **2016 Chassagne Montrachet Blanc**

**Per 6 bottles £558.00**

#### **1er Cru Blanchot Dessus**

As brilliant as always from this exceptional vineyard site, immediately abutting Montrachet, though production is down by 25%. Drink 2019-2025.



The Darviot cellar

## Domaine Faiveley

A house with a long history and today the largest vineyard owner in Burgundy, Faiveley was founded in 1825 by Pierre Faiveley. The foundations of its modern success however were laid by Georges Faiveley, who saw the firm through the difficult inter-war years when it was said that a new barrel cost more than the wine which filled it. His grandson François handed control to his own son Erwan – the 7<sup>th</sup> generation – in 2005. A new team was quickly put in place – most significantly the extremely talented winemaker, Jérôme Flous. The vineyard holdings in the Côte de Nuits have been further enhanced by the acquisition of Domaine Dupont Tisserandot in Gevrey, but progress doesn't stop there... the winery in Nuits St Georges is being comprehensively re-built and, as can be seen by the photograph, should be ready to receive the 2018 vintage.



### Red Wines

### Per case In Bond

**2016 Mercurey Rouge 1er Cru Clos des Myglands      £198.00**

No frost damage here. Lovely ripe red fruit character. Drink 2017-2021.

**Per case In Bond**

**2016 Nuits St Georges 1er Cru** Per 6 bottles **£273.00**

**Les Damodes**

Superb balance and length. Drink 2020-2026.

**2016 Clos St Denis Grand Cru** Per 6 bottles **£705.00**

Drink 2020-2028.

**2016 Corton Clos des Cortons Faiveley** Per 6 bottles **£720.00**  
**Grand Cru**

Really superb richness to the fruit. Great succulence on the finish. Drink 2020-2028.

**2016 Echézeaux En Orveaux Grand Cru** Per 6 bottles **£729.00**

Drink 2020-2028.

**2016 Latricières Chambertin Grand Cru** Per 6 bottles **£765.00**

Drink 2020-2028.

**2016 Grands Echézeaux Grand Cru** Per 6 bottles **£840.00**

Drink 2020-2028.

**2016 Mazis Chambertin Grand Cru** Per 6 bottles **£900.00**

Drink 2020-2028.

**2016 Chambertin Clos de Bèze** Per 6 bottles **£1,320.00**

**Grand Cru**

Drink 2020-2028.

**White Wine**

**Per case in Bond**

**2016 Bienvenues Bâtard Montrachet** Per 6 bottles **£1,130.00**

**Grand Cru**

A wine of tremendous purity, freshness and precision. Drink 2020-2026.

***NB These prices are valid only for orders place AND PAID FOR by 26<sup>th</sup> January 2018. Thereafter prices will increase by between 10% & 15%. 14***

## Domaine William Fèvre

One of the oldest established families of Chablis, the Fèvres have been making wine in the region for more than 250 years, and had already established a formidable reputation for this 47 hectare domaine by the time that it was taken over by Joseph Henriot in 1998. Henriot, from Champagne, had already transformed the fortunes of the great Beaune house of Bouchard Père et Fils (see above). Since 1998, the wines of William Fèvre have achieved even greater renown, thanks to the incredible talents of the winemaker, Didier Séguier.



Barrels in the Fèvre cellar

### White Wines

Per case In Bond

#### 2016 Chablis

£138.00

“The 2016 Chablis (Domaine) comes from 48 hectares belonging to William Fèvre and was cropped at just 18 hectoliters per hectare. It has a compact bouquet with scents of cold stone but is very tight and needs more fruit expression. The palate is well balanced with a fine seam of acidity and is quite saline in the mouth with a precise finish. At the moment the palate shows more potential than the aromatics but I suspect this will come good with a year in bottle. 87-89” Neal Martin, Wine Advocate #232 August 2017

**2016 Chablis 1er Cru Vaillons Per 6 bottles £138.00**

“The 2016 Chablis 1er Cru Vaillons comes from 3.5 hectares split over ten parcels in the heart of the premier cru. It has an attractive bouquet with scents of lime flower and wet granite. The palate is rounded and more supple than the Montmains, crisp and precise with lime and Granny Smith apple toward the finish. Fine. 89-91” Neal Martin, Wine Advocate #232 August 2017

**2016 Chablis 1er Cru Montée de Tonnerre Per 6 bottles £198.00**

“The 2016 Chablis 1er Cru Montee de Tonnerre comes from two hectares of vines split over three types of terroir. It has a crisp, fruits de mer-scented bouquet with plenty of dew-speckled Granny Smith apples. The palate is well balanced with a fine bead of acidity, saline in the mouth and fine weight toward the finish, with plenty of persistence. This has great potential and could turn out to be one of William Fevre's best premier crus this year. Excellent. 91-93” Neal Martin, Wine Advocate #232 August 2017

**2016 Chablis Grand Cru Preuses Per 6 bottles £309.00**

“The 2016 Chablis Grand Cru les Preuses has a fresh and enticing bouquet with apple blossom, lime flower, granite and wet limestone aromas that really get to the core of Chablis. Of the six grand crus from Fevre, this might be my favorite. The palate is well balanced and very harmonious. The acidity is well judged and it possesses great elegance and femininity. One of the best wines from the domain this year, it comes recommended. 92-94” Neal Martin, Wine Advocate #232 August 2017

**2016 Chablis Grand Cru Bougros, Côte Bouguerots Per 6 bottles £342.00**

“The 2016 Chablis Grand Cru Bougros Cote de Bouguerots has a very intense, quite mineral-driven bouquet with flint aromas developing all the time in the glass as it gains intensity. The palate is well balanced with fine salinité on the entry. I appreciate the vivacity of this grand cru—there is plenty of energy locked in here and an edginess on the finish that is very appealing, notwithstanding the prolonged spicy aftertaste. Superb. 93-95” Neal Martin, Wine Advocate #232 August 2017

**2016 Chablis Grand Cru Les Clos**

**Per 6 bottles £396.00**

“The 2016 Chablis Grand Cru les Clos, cropped at around 17 hectoliters per hectare, was blended the day previous to my visit and is due to be bottled in December 2017 or perhaps the following month. As such, the aromatics are too leesy to assess. The palate is balanced with a saline, sour lemon-tinged entry, perhaps lighter than the Bougros Côte Bouguerots and with a prickle of spice toward the finish. It should gain complexity and harmony throughout its élevage and will be one to watch. 91-93” Neal Martin, Wine Advocate #232 August 2017



Didier Séguier

## Domaine Fontaine Gagnard

This outstanding domaine, producing among the very finest white wines of the Côte d'Or, is under the day to day control of Céline Fontaine, while her parents, Richard and Laurence, also remain very active. The bulk of the Fontaine vineyards (a little over 10 hectares) come from Laurence's parents, Jacques Gagnard and Marie-Josèphe Delagrangé. Richard – at least while Céline is to an extent preoccupied by the pressures of a young family (a daughter, Lison, was born on 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2014, and a son, Edgar, on 30<sup>th</sup> January 2016) – remains in control of the long-term and strategic decisions which necessarily need to be made from time to time. The morning of Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> April is etched on their memories as the frost damage here was extensive. Quantities available are correspondingly much reduced. Picking began on 21<sup>st</sup> September.



Céline Fontaine

### Red Wines

Per case In Bond

#### 2016 Bourgogne Passetoutgrain

£108.00

From a single vineyard abutting the Chassagne appellation, planted half and half Pinot Noir and Gamay by Edmond Delagrangé. Even the Passetoutgrain is limited in quantity – there are only 8 cases available. Drink 2018-2021.

#### 2016 Chassagne Montrachet Rouge

£264.00

Ripe, integrated and concentrated – this is really delicious, and the damage was less severe, so the quantity is a relatively generous 15 cases. Drink 2018-2021.

## White Wines

Per case In Bond

**2016 Chassagne Montrachet Blanc** **£318.00**

From six separate parcels of vines, aged in oak of which 20% is new.

Wonderful length and freshness. Drink 2018-2022.

**2016 Chassagne Montrachet Blanc 1er Cru** **£420.00**

**Maltroie**

Production was down from 18 barrels to 6. Expressive, complex and very long. Drink 2019-2024.

**2016 Chassagne Montrachet Blanc 1er Cru** **£444.00**

**Morgeot**

On the southern edge of the appellation, bordering Santenay. Lovely flesh and lovely finesse. Drink 2019-2024.

**2016 Chassagne Montrachet Blanc 1er Cru** **£459.00**

**La Boudriotte**

Lots of mineral energy here – but 6 barrels instead of 14. Drink 2019-2024.

**2016 Chassagne Montrachet Blanc** **Per 6 bottles £294.00**

**1er Cru Les Caillerets**

Unusually for the appellation, the Fontaine vines stretch from the top to the bottom of the slope. Drink 2019-2024.

**2016 Chassagne Montrachet Blanc** **Per 6 bottles £330.00**

**1er Cru La Romanée**

Drink 2019-2024.

**2016 Criots Bâtard Montrachet,** **Per 3 bottles £399.00**

**Grand Cru**

Drink 2020-2026.

**2016 Bâtard Montrachet Grand Cru** **Per 3 bottles £399.00**

Drink 2020-2026.

**2016 Le Montrachet Grand Cru** **Per 1 bottle £395.00**

Drink 2020-2026.

## Domaine Gagnard Delagrange

Since the death of Jacques Gagnard in 2009 at the age of 80, this domaine has been run by his widow Marie-Josèphe, daughter of Edmond Delagrange, whose farsightedness established this great Chassagne family which now consists of four domaines (Gagnard Delagrange, Fontaine Gagnard, Blain Gagnard and Marc-Antonin Blain). Marie-Josèphe is particularly assisted by her grandson Marc-Antonin Blain, who had been working with Jacques for several years before his death. Jacques' winemaking techniques and pattern of *élevage* are followed closely, ensuring a great continuity of style – so this remains a fabulous source of intensely mineral, concentrated wines with considerable capacity for age. Our visit always concludes with a bottle from the past: this year we were treated to a bottle of 1998 Montrachet which showed with outstanding intensity, generosity on the palate, and freshness on the very long finish.

### Red Wine

### Per case In Bond

#### 2016 Chassagne Montrachet Rouge 1er Cru

£315.00

Invariably one of the outstanding wines of our Burgundy list for its exceptional price/quality ratio. The wine is just fabulous this year with the most wonderful perfumed quality. Drink 2019-2023.



## White Wines

Per case in bond

**2016 Chassagne Montrachet Blanc £318.00**

The vineyards are immediately behind the house, and were protected from the worst of the frost damage. Supple, generous and fleshy. Drink 2018-2022.

**2016 Chassagne Montrachet Blanc 1er Cru £399.00**

**Les Morgeots**  
Drink 2019-2024.

**2016 Chassagne Montrachet Blanc 1er Cru £459.00**

**La Boudriotte**  
Drink 2019-2024.

**2016 Bâtard Montrachet Grand Cru Per 6 bottles £798.00**

Miniscule quantity this year. Not even a full barrel (but one feuillette and one quarto). Drink 2020-2026.



The cellars at Domaine Gagnard Delagrange

## Domaine Robert Groffier

One of the greatest domaines of the Côte de Nuits, Nicolas Groffier produces some of the most sought-after wines of Burgundy. His grandfather Robert, in his mid-80s, is retired though still undertakes some of the vineyard work; his father Serge remains actively involved, but the domaine is effectively run by Nicolas and his wife Céline. It boasts the largest holding of Chambolle's greatest 1er Cru vineyard, Les Amoureuses, as well as a number of other very fine appellations. At the lower end of the appellation scale, the village (Gevrey) and regional (Bourgognes) wines are of absolutely outstanding quality. The frost damage here was limited mainly (alas) to the Clos de Bèze. The Chambolle vineyards were barely affected, seemingly because Groffier's vines are comparatively old, and he prunes them very short – which means that at the beginning of the growing season, they are often a little behind the curve in terms of growth and development – and this appears to have saved the day. At the end of the tasting, a 1995 Clos de Bèze was truly thrilling – one of the most stunning bottles of the week in Burgundy.



### Red Wines

Per case In Bond

#### 2016 Bourgogne Passetoutgrain

Per 6 bottles £96.00

Surely the finest Passetoutgrain of the Côte d'Or – Groffier viticulture and winemaking at a bargain price! Bursting with ripe strawberry fruit; fine tannins; delicious. Drink 2018-2022.

#### 2016 Bourgogne Rouge

Per 6 bottles £168.00

Exceptional Bourgogne Rouge – this wine punches way above its rank. Fine-grained and pure, with gorgeous fruit, balance and length. Drink 2019-2023.

**Per case In Bond**

**2016 Gevrey Chambertin Les Seuvrées** Per 6 bottles **£354.00**  
Really expressive, with glorious Pinot scents. Stunning bright fruit on the palate. Drink 2019-2025.

**2016 Chambolle Musigny 1er Cru** Per 6 bottles **£720.00**  
**Les Hauts Doix**  
The ripeness of the fruit almost gives an impression of sweetness. Velvet soft tannins and superb length. Drink 2020-2026.

**2016 Chambolle Musigny 1er Cru** Per 6 bottles **£780.00**  
**Les Sentiers**  
Unbelievably seductive. 90% whole bunch pressing and 30% new oak. Drink 2020-2026.

**2016 Chambolle Musigny 1er Cru** Per 6 bottles **£1,494.00**  
**Les Amoureuses**  
1/3<sup>rd</sup> whole bunch pressing and 1/3<sup>rd</sup> new oak. The wine grows and grows in complexity on the palate. Drink 2020-2028.

**2016 Bonnes Mares Grand Cru** Per 6 bottles **£1,494.00**  
90% whole bunch pressing and 45% new oak. Drink 2020-2028.

**2016 Chambertin Clos de Bèze** Per 3 bottles **£825.00**  
**Grand Cru**  
100% whole bunch pressing and 100% new oak. Drink 2020-2028.



## Domaine Hudelot Noëllat

Charles van Canneyt, grandson of Alain Hudelot, runs this famous estate, with the very able assistance of Vincent Mugnier, who has been at the domaine since March 2005. Under his direction, the wines have risen to new heights, building on the legacy of his wonderfully entertaining grandfather. Charles told us that the frost damage in his vineyards was very severe with losses of up to 40% in some appellations. Picking began on 15<sup>th</sup> September.



Charles van Canneyt

### Red Wines

Per case In Bond

#### 2016 Bourgogne Rouge

£192.00

Full of bright fruit; fleshy, ripe and with lovely length. Drink 2019-2023.

#### 2016 Chambolle Musigny

Per 6 bottles

£210.00

Intense and very fine, with superb complexity and a long finish. Very fine village Chambolle. Drink 2019-2024.

#### 2016 Vougeot 1er Cru

Per 6 bottles

£336.00

#### Les Petits Vougeots

Vines below Chambolle Amoureuses, so no wonder the wine is so good – but frost damage was especially severe here. Drink 2019-2023.

**2016 Nuits St Georges 1er Cru Murgers** Per 6 bottles **£378.00**  
Full, rounded and very concentrated. Drink 2020-2026.

**2016 Vosne Romanée 1er Cru** Per 6 bottles **£492.00**  
**Les Beaumonts**  
Really dense and ripe on the palate. Outstanding length. Drink 2020-2026.

**2016 Chambolle Musigny 1er Cru** Per 6 bottles **£492.00**  
**Les Charmes**  
Drink 2020-2026.

**2016 Vosne Romanée 1er Cru** Per 6 bottles **£594.00**  
**Les Suchots**  
Drink 2020-2026.

**2016 Vosne Romanée 1er Cru** Per 1 magnum **£300.00**  
**Les Malconsorts**  
Only 2½ barrels. Drink 2020-2028.

**2016 Clos Vougeot Grand Cru** Per 6 bottles **£639.00**  
Vines are at the top of the Clos, and frost damage was bad. The wine is incredibly dense and textured. Drink 2020-2028.

**2016 Romanée St Vivant Grand Cru** Per 3 bottles **£885.00**  
Drink 2020-2028.

**2016 Richebourg Grand Cru** Per 3 bottles **£885.00**  
Drink 2020-2028.

## Domaine Jean-Pierre Maldant

The Maldants have been vigneron in Ladoix since 1895. In the past, they looked after the vineyards belonging to the Hospices de Beaune around Ladoix and Aloxe Corton, while production from their own vines was mostly sold in bulk. In 1998 things changed when they decided to bottle their own wines, setting out to build up a local clientele. Investments were made to revamp the vineyards and cellars and recently a modern facility was acquired next to the Domaine which has vastly improved storage and labeling. Today the young Pierre-François Maldant is at the helm of the domaine's nearly 9 hectares of vines and is making cracking good – and very well priced – wines. His export activity is growing steadily as his reputation spreads. Frost damage means there is significantly less wine available than usual. His team of 15 pickers began work on 24<sup>th</sup> September.



The cellars at Domaine Maldant

### Red Wines

### Per case In Bond

**2016 Bourgogne Pinot Noir, La Chapelle Notre Dame £132.00**

From 70 year old vines on the southern edge of Ladoix. Lovely bright ruby, and great charm of fruit on the palate. Drink 2018-2022.

**Per case In Bond**

**2016 Chorey Les Beaune Les Beaumonts** **£204.00**  
From 60 year old vines which largely escaped the frost. 50% whole bunch pressing. Very good concentration. Drink 2019-2023.

**2016 Ladoix Les Chaillots** **£204.00**  
Wonderful Pinot perfume. Drink 2019-2023.

**2016 Aloxe Corton 1er Cru Valozières** **£333.00**  
Highly aromatic. Fresh and balanced, with really delicious succulent fruit on the palate. Drink 2019-2024.

**2016 Corton Les Grandes Lolières Grand Cru** **£555.00**  
From 90 year old vines. 20% aged in new wood, with the remainder in 1,2 and 3 year old barrels. Hugh concentration and depth – really wonderful. Drink 2020-2026.

**White Wines**

**Per case in Bond**

**2016 Corton Charlemagne Grand Cru** **£900.00**  
Only 1 barrel was kept for bottling at the domaine of this stunning Corton Charlemagne. Drink 2020-2026.

**Domaine Jean-Marc Millot**

Jean-Marc runs this fine estate with his wife Christine and their daughter Alix who began working at the domaine in 2014. They operate out of lovely old cellars in Nuits St Georges and work assiduously to produce pure, soft, mesmerising Burgundies with the accent firmly on the quality of the aromas and the fruit. The wines are rightly very highly regarded. The frost damage cost him over a third of his usual production, so quantities available here are even more limited than usual.

## Red Wines

Per case In Bond

**2016 Côte de Nuits Villages Aux Faulques** £279.00

We have only 5 cases of the fabulous Côte de Nuits, which offers really brilliant value for money. Fine, balanced, juicy and ripe. Drink 2019-2023.

**2016 Vosne Romanée 1er Cru Suchots** Per 6 bottles £546.00  
Drink 2020-2026.

**2016 Echézeaux Grand Cru** Per 6 bottles £786.00  
Drink 2020-2028.

**2016 Clos Vougeot** Per 6 bottles £894.00  
**Grand Maupertui Grand Cru**  
Drink 2020-2027.



Jean-Marc Millot

## Domaine Marc Morey

Run by Sabine Mollard, grand-daughter of Marc Morey, with occasional help from her father Bernard who is still in the background – when he isn't travelling in Madagascar – his favourite destination. These wines win friends every time we show them as they are superbly made, versatile & incredibly 'user friendly'. Some 60% of the crop was lost to the frost – more in some appellations, with two (Chassagne Chenevottes and Chassagne Vergers) wiped out entirely. Picking of what remained began on 23<sup>rd</sup> September.



Sabine Mollard

### White Wines

Per case In Bond

#### 2016 Bourgogne Blanc

£156.00

Only 5 cases available this year. A Bourgogne of the most sensational intensity. Drink 2018-2021.

#### 2016 St Aubin 1er Cru Charmois

£291.00

65% of the crop was lost in Charmois. What remains is stunning – intense, complex and concentrated. Drink 2018-2022.

#### 2016 Puligny Montrachet

£384.00

Serious complexity on the palate, and great length of flavour. Drink 2018-2022.

**2016 Chassagne Montrachet Blanc 1er Cru  
En Virondot** **£483.00**

One of the village's highest lying vineyards, owned almost in its entirety by the domaine, this superb site has produced a wine of real vibrancy, with great citrus freshness and superb length. Alas, there are only 2 cases available. Drink 2019-2024.

**2016 Chassagne Montrachet Blanc 1er Cru  
Caillerets** **£525.00**

An equally tiny allocation of 2 cases. Serious mineral intensity here. Drink 2019-2024.

## **Jean Rijckaert**

Florent Rouve, who first met Jean via his involvement with the famous viticultural Lycée de Davayé, is now in complete control of all aspects of production, after several years of gradual transition. Florent has established a very good arrangement with Domaine des Deux Roches in Davayé, renting cellar space from them, and having access to their infrastructure, while retaining complete independence. In the Mâconais, picking ran from 15<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> September, and then began in the Jura on 28<sup>th</sup> September.



Jean Rijckaert & Florent Rouve

## White Wines

Per case In Bond

- 2016 Chardonnay, Arbois** £108.00  
From 30 year old vines. Absolutely brilliant value for money – lovely ripe fruit, supple on the palate, fine acidity on the finish. Côte d’Or style, barrel aged winemaking at an amazing price. Drink 2018-2020.
- 2016 Côtes de Jura Les Sarres Chardonnay** £117.00  
Fabulous lemon freshness, and lovely long, ripe finish. Drink 2018-2020.
- 2016 Arbois En Paradis Vieilles Vignes Chardonnay** £129.00  
**Côtes de Jura**  
Rijckaert’s top cuvée from the Jura, produced from 50 year old Chardonnay vines on west-facing slopes above the stunning village of Arbois, near the church. These are always the last to be picked. Really delicious depth of fruit, with lots of juiciness and length. Drink 2018-2021.
- 2016 Viré Clessé L’Epinet Vieilles Vignes** £129.00  
Concentrated and generous on the palate with a very good, firm mineral backbone. Drink 2018-2021.
- 2016 Mâcon Lugny, Terroir de Bissy,** £138.00  
**Les Crays vers Vaux Vieilles Vignes**  
Fleshy, ripe and balanced with excellent freshness and minerality too. Drink 2018-2021.
- 2016 Viré Clessé Les Vercherres Vieilles Vignes** £138.00  
20% aged in new wood. Very impressive aromas. Complex, ripe and balanced on the palate. Drink 2018-2022.
- 2016 St Véran En Crêches Vieilles Vignes** £156.00  
35 year old vines in a single parcel between Davayé and Vergisson. 15% aged in new oak. Really mineral and complex. Terrific freshness and length. Drink 2018-2022.
- 2016 Pouilly Fuissé La Roche Vieilles Vignes** £204.00  
From a single vineyard near the Roche de Vergisson. Textured, complex, mineral and very long lasting on the palate. Drink 2018-2023.

## Domaine Marc Roy

Alexandrine Roy's great-grandfather founded this small domaine, which has been bottling its production since 1982; Alexandrine took responsibility for its management in 2003. She coaxes wines of the most exceptional quality from her 4 hectares of village vineyards – sadly the domaine has no 1er or Grand Cru holdings, though since the 2011 vintage they have had some 'La Justice' which is another of Gevrey's finest village sites (along with Clos Prieur). Alexandrine brings exceptional passion to her winemaking, and everything is done by hand (or, in the case of pressing, by foot!). This is a source for wines of the most outstanding purity. Quantities available – always very small – are further limited as a result of the frost. Picking began on 23<sup>rd</sup> September.



Alexandrine checking for ripeness

### Red Wines

### Per case In Bond

#### 2016 Gevrey Chambertin Clos Prieur

£525.00

From vines below the Grand Cru Mazis Chambertin. Soft, ripe and textured with really wonderful supple tannins and dark cherry fruit flavours. Superb. Drink 2019-2025.

**2016 Gevrey Chambertin La Justice                      Per 6 bottles   £270.00**  
Only 2 cases of 6 bottles available. Drink 2019-2025.

**2016 Gevrey Chambertin Cuvée Alexandrine                      £789.00**  
Outstanding complexity and length. Drink 2019-2025.

## **White Wine**

**2016 Marsannay Blanc Les Champs Perdrix                      £285.00**  
Frost damage was especially bad in Marsannay, as a result of which we have only 8 cases to offer. The wine spent 11 months on the lees before bottling, and is plump, ripe and delicious. Drink 2018-2022.



**Grapes in Marsannay Champs Perdrix**

## **Etienne Sauzet**

G rard Boudot runs the great Sauzet estate with his daughter Emilie and son-in-law Benoit Riffault. These are among the most highly prized whites of the C te d'Or and we are fortunate to receive an allocation. But beware... the domaine lost an average of 50% of the crop to the frost – with some vineyards being entirely wiped out (Bienvenues B tard for example).



**Puligny Montrachet**

### **White Wines**

**Per case In Bond**

#### **2016 Puligny Montrachet**

** 600.00**

This year's allocation is 1 case! Drink 2018-2022.

#### **2016 Puligny Montrachet 1er Cru Garenne**

**Per 6 bottles  480.00**

The highest of the Sauzet vines and the last to be picked. Drink 2019-2024.

#### **2016 Puligny Montrachet 1er Cru Perri res**

**Per 6 bottles  549.00**

Vines are at the bottom of the 1er Cru slope here, and the clay soil is deep. Drink 2019-2024.

#### **2016 Puligny Montrachet 1er Cru Champs Canet**

**Per 6 bottles  600.00**

The average age of these vines, which abut Meursault Perri res, is around 75 years. Drink 2019-2024.

**2016 Puligny Montrachet 1er Cru  
Folatières**

**Per 6 bottles £600.00**

From vines close to the Grand Cru Chevalier Montrachet. Drink 2019-2024.

**2016 Puligny Montrachet 1er Cru  
Combettes**

**Per 6 bottles £768.00**

Drink 2019-2024.

**2016 Bâtard Montrachet Grand Cru**

**Per 3 bottles £1,050.00**

Drink 2020-2026.

### **Domaine Aurélien Verdet**

Aurélien took over his father's small domaine, with its cellars in the Hautes Côtes de Nuits, in 2005, and has built on his legacy as one of the pioneers of organic viticulture. In 2009 he added to the domaine's holdings via a lease agreement, and now controls 13 hectares of vines. Aurélien favours long vinifications, but with gentle extraction in order to retain as much finesse as possible in his wines. He loves his 2016s, while lamenting the fact that around 30% of the production was lost to the frost damage.



**Aurélien Verdet**

## Red Wines

Per case In Bond

**2016 Bourgogne Hautes Côtes de Nuits Le Prieuré** £171.00  
Supple, ripe and plump with gorgeous soft tannins. Drink 2018-2022.

**2016 Marsannay En Champ Perdrix** £279.00  
Aurélien's second vintage of Marsannay. Really gorgeous ripe Pinot character. Drink 2019-2024.

**2016 Morey St Denis** £339.00  
For some reason, the village wines of Morey are often overlooked – year after year, Aurélien produces one of the loveliest village wines of the offer from these vines. Soft, supple and wonderfully seductive. Drink 2019-2024.

**2016 Gevrey Chambertin** £360.00  
Very fresh and with masses of purity and length. Drink 2019-2024.

**2016 Vosne Romanée Vieilles Vignes** £480.00  
Concentrated fruit on the palate which shows overtones of spice. Good structure and length. Drink 2019-2024.

**2016 Vosne Romanée** Per 6 bottles £366.00  
**1er Cru Beaux Monts**  
Exceptionally expressive on the nose. Complex, mineral and long on the palate. Drink 2020-2026.

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- 1 All prices are quoted per case of 12 bottles (or per case of 6 bottles/6 magnums where stated) In Bond and therefore exclude duty (currently £25.98 per 12 bottles) and VAT.**
- 2 The minimum order size is 12 bottles or equivalent.**
- 3 For many of the wines, quantities available are extremely limited. All wines are offered subject to availability, and orders will be taken on a first come first served basis.**
- 4 Orders with a value of £200 in bond or more will be delivered free of charge to any single UK mainland address. Orders below this value, or orders with multiple deliveries where individual deliveries carry a value below £200 in bond, will attract a delivery charge of £15 including VAT.**
- 5 The wines will be shipped during the course of 2018, at which point you may either:
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  - b) have your wines delivered duty paid.****
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