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2020 Vintage Report

This vintage was an historically early one, from budburst right through to harvest. The hot and sunny weather also ensured the grapes were bursting with health on the vines. Even more surprisingly, tasting has confirmed that despite the high temperatures and almost constant drought conditions, in addition to their rich aromas, the wines are also revealing a freshness that is as unexpected as it is remarkable. Fans of Bourgogne wine will be delighted. With volumes of around 1.56 million hectoliters, the 2020 vintage is sure to enjoy a great future

"Surprising", "Astonishing"! This is how this vintage, like the year 2020, is characterized by many professionals in Bourgogne. These vintage promises to be remarkable with some exceptional results in certain areas. This can be explained by the weather, which allowed, in spring, a flowering in ideal conditions, followed by warm temperatures during the summer. The combination of warm temperatures and dry weather have nevertheless contributed in obtaining an attractive vintage with beautiful balance and freshness.

-Vins De Bourgogne

There is much to admire about the 2020s. The whites and reds are imbued with remarkable freshness given the precocity of the season. This vintage appears to have more tension than the 2018s and perhaps also the 2019s, and as I have already described, the challenge will be capturing this in bottle.

Chardonnay, in particular, seems to be adapting incredibly well to the warmer environment, and many of the 2020 whites' low pH levels deftly counterbalance richness or tropical notes that would have otherwise defined them to a far greater extent. The whites do not exude richness; rather, there is plenty of dry extract that lends weight and attractive textural sensations on their finishes. One of the great attributes of the vintage is that at least in barrel, the best whites almost shimmer with mineralité, especially those grown on more calcareous soils.

Regarding the reds, the yields are much lower, sometimes half those of the whites. I found plenty of very attractive aromatics. I sought Pinot Noirs that managed to remain in the red fruit spectrum. I do not mind if they commingle with black or blue fruit, but when Burgundy has black fruit stamped all over its bouquet, it tends to lose elegance, transparency and that giddy sense of Pinoté. On the palate, the 2020 vintage generally displays quite fine tannins, an impressive feat considering the high skin-to-juice ratio, and this is surely a result of gentler pressings. This is a growing season where the "less is more" approach clearly paid dividends. The best 2020s have intensity rather than power, often manifesting sorbet-like traits and frequently a tang of blood orange

-Vinous

DOMAINE CLAUDE DUGAT (GEVREY CHAMBERTIN)	BURGHOUND	INSIDE BURGUNDY	VINOUS	PRICE	
REDS					
Bourgogne		87-89			Releasing Soon
Burghound <i>Score: 87-89</i>	Wisps of earth, spice and wood set off ripe and fresh aromas of red and dark berry coulis. I very much like the mid-palate texture of the delicious middle weight flavors that terminate in a lightly rustic, complex and well-balanced finale. This is an excellent Bourgogne.				
Inside Burgundy <i>Score:</i>					
Vinous <i>Score:</i>					
Gevrey Chambertin		89-91			Releasing Soon
Burghound <i>Score: 89-91</i>	An exceptionally bright and cool aromas include those of both red and dark currant along with hints of game and pungent earth. Here too the medium-bodied flavors possess a really lovely texture while exhibiting fine length on the youthfully austere, saline and balanced finish. This well-made effort should mature on the early side relatively speaking but easily last a decade or more.				
Inside Burgundy <i>Score:</i>					
Vinous <i>Score:</i>					

Gevrey Chambertin 1er Cru	91-93			Releasing Soon
Burghound Score: 91-93	Here too there is enough reduction present to mask the fruit. Otherwise, the sleek, delicious and vibrant middle weight flavors possess better refinement on the more obviously mineral-driven and youthfully austere finale. Lovely stuff.			
Inside Burgundy Score:				
Vinous Score:				

DOMAINE PERROT-MINOT (MOREY SAINT DENIS)	BURGHOUND	INSIDE BURGUNDY	VINOUS	PRICE
REDS				
Bourgogne 'Gravieres de Champonnieres'	87-89	85-87		Releasing Soon
Burghound Score: 87-89	An airy and exceptionally fresh nose combines notes of primarily red berries and warm earth nuances. The delicious, sleek and relatively refined middle weight flavors flash a touch of austerity on the solidly complex and persistent finish. This is an excellent Bourgogne and worthy of your interest.			
Inside Burgundy Score: 85-87	Crisp dense red purple, though I was a little puzzled by the aromatics on the nose, which seemed slightly phenolic. Then some red fruit and whole bunch spices. Attractive aftertaste.			
Vinous Score:				
Chambolle Musigny 'Orveau Bussières'	89-92	91-94	91-93	Releasing Soon
Burghound Score: 89-92	An exuberantly floral-suffused nose speaks of lavender, violet and lilac as well as spicy red currant scents. The gorgeously textured and refined medium weight flavors are shaped by silky fine-grained tannins on the lightly stony, balanced and lingering finish. This elegant effort is very Chambollesque in character.			
Inside Burgundy Score: 91-94	Clear bright refreshing purple, the bouquet is pure Chambolle not too rich but certainly a juicy style of fruit. Lovely long finish with a vibrant sweet cherry fruit. Very nicely handled though the Champs Perdrix probably edges this in terms of vibrancy.			
Vinous Score: 91-93	The 2020 Chambolle-Musigny Orveau Bussières comes 40% from Combe d'Orveau and the rest from Bussières. This also sported a little reduction on the nose, quite gourmand in style, a little savoury with light gamey notes infusing the red fruit. The palate is silky smooth with a fine bead of acidity, touches of cassis percolating through the red cherry fruit with an almost honeyed texture towards its plush finish. Irresistible.			

Gevrey Chambertin 'La Justice de Seuvrées'		90-92	92-95		Releasing Soon
Burghound Score: 90-92	Here too the airy nose is exuberantly floral in character though there is much more earth in evidence on the mostly fresh red berry fruit aromas. Once again there is a beguiling texture to the vibrant medium-bodied flavors that retain fine delineation on the youthfully austere and impressively long finish that displays focused power. This is first-rate Gevrey villages.				
Inside Burgundy Score: 92-95	Rich dense vibrant purple. An interesting bouquet, darker fruit but not seemingly super ripe, perhaps some blackcurrant notes with mostly red fruit. Extra intensity at the back of the palate still showing a little bit of the savoury character typical of this part of the world then a black morello cherry finish. Really well balanced. Wonderful long finish.				
Vinous Score:					
Morey Saint Denis 'En La Rue de Vergy'		89-91	92-95	89-91	Releasing Soon
Burghound Score: 89-91	A ripe and very fresh nose of red and dark berries displays a mentholated top note. The racy, sleek and utterly delicious flavors possess a succulent mid-palate as well as a beguiling texture, all wrapped in a lingering and moderately structured finale that is supported by bright acidity. Lovely.				
Inside Burgundy Score: 92-95	Gorgeous glowing mid purple, very sensual and with absolute purity. A little raspberry, a little strawberry. Very enticing with a long, lifted finish. A few more darker brambly fruit notes start to come through, Well-judged tannins, light acidity and excellent length. Back to the red fruit at the finish				
Vinous Score: 89-91	The 2020 Morey-Saint-Denis en la Rue de Vergy has a fragrant nose with open-knit red fruit, just a hint of tomato vine and orange pith. The palate is medium-bodied with fleshy tannins, very supple and caressing with a smooth finish. Maybe a little more substance required? That should develop by the time it finished its élevage.				

Morey Saint Denis 1er Cru 'La Riotte'		91-93	93-96	90-92	Releasing Soon
Burghound Score: 91-93	Bright, ripe and expressive aromas are comprised by notes of lavender, anise, crushed herb and pretty red currant scents. The succulent, fleshy and seductively textured flavors possess fine mid-palate density before terminating in a youthfully austere, clean and sleek long finish that isn't quite as mineral-driven.				
Inside Burgundy Score: 93-96	Exceptionally dense purple. Rich deep fruit on the nose, not giving a lot of detail. Teasing it out now because it is obviously there. Indeed, rather wonderful on the palate with this heady mix of black and red fruit with a mineral thread of acidity through the middle. Juicily beautiful and very long.				
Vinous Score: 90-92	The 2020 Morey-Saint-Denis La Riotte 1er Cru has a very well-defined bouquet with potpourri and incense infused red fruit, quite plush and generous. The palate is medium-bodied with pliant tannins, fine acidity, maybe just a little conservative towards the finish but nicely poised. Attractive powdery texture here, and I appreciate the touch of white pepper on the aftertaste.				
Chambolle Musigny 1er Cru 'La Combe d'Orveau Vieilles Vignes Ultra'		93-95	92-96	93-95	Releasing Soon
Burghound Score: 93-95	Here too the strikingly pure nose is cool, restrained and elegant with a huge variety of floral and spice nuances adding breadth to the airy essence of red pinot fruit scents. The wonderfully textured and chiseled medium-bodied flavors exude an almost pungent minerality on the equally persistent and moderately austere finale. This is both classy and very stylish.				
Inside Burgundy Score: 92-96	A much richer purple colour. The nose is jaw-dropping too. This though has a sublime velvet opulence compared to the more vertical style of Richebonne. Sensuality to the ultimate degree, just a few tannins, and some may find this just a fraction too ripe.				
Vinous Score: 93-95	The 2020 Chambolle-Musigny La Combe d'Orveau "Cuvée Ultra" has one of the most mineral-driven aromatics from Perrot-Minot, crushed limestone filtering through the vivacious red fruit, hints of orange blossom emerging with time. The palate is medium-bodied with gentle grip, fine structure, not big-boned however with a finely chiselled, quite spicy finish. Excellent.				

Charmes Chambertin Grand Cru		92-94	92-95	94-96	Releasing Soon
Burghound Score: 92-94	A notably earthier nose of ripe and very fresh wild dark berries displays additional notes of underbrush, smoke and a hint of the sauvage. There is again excellent verve and delineation to the delicious if less sophisticated medium-bodied flavors that coat the palate with sappy dry extract on the complex and lingering finish where the markedly firm supporting tannins are not as fine, though I underscore that they are by no means rustic.				
Inside Burgundy Score: 92-95	Rich deep purple. This has got both muscle and sex appeal. Pretty ripe though on the palate with a couple of slightly cooked notes at the edge. Still sumptuous, still some freshness at the finish, but better picked two days earlier. Needs a little cleaning up, which should happen after racking.				
Vinous Score: 94-96	The 2020 Charmes-Chambertin Vieilles Vignes Grand Cru just shows a little more of the whole bunch compared to say, the Griottes, though it lends an attractive peppery bass note to the red cherry and strawberry top notes. The oak is nicely integrated here. The palate is medium-bodied with fine-grain tannins, taut and fresh, gently building to a slightly creamy-texture, seductive finish. Lovely.				
Mazoyeres Chambertin Grand Cru		93-95	95-98	95-97	Releasing Soon
Burghound Score: 93-95	A beautifully layered nose freely offers up its aromas of spicy and markedly floral notes as well as purple fruit, pungent earth and hints of the sauvage. Once again there is a beguiling texture to the bigger-bodied and more powerful flavors that brim with dry extract on the raspy, firm and very serious finale. Patience necessary.				
Inside Burgundy Score: 95-98	Full deep purple, with a brilliant nose, the mineral stoniness shining through the weight of fruit. Ripely perfumed, intoxicatingly heady, rich dense red cherries at the back of the mouth, with a sprawling sensual exceptionally long finish. Very successful. Immensely long finish				
Vinous Score: 95-97	The 2020 Mazoyères-Chambertin Vieilles Vignes Grand Cru takes time to step up through the gears on the nose, eventually revealing very airy and pure red cherry, strawberry and bergamot scents, hints of damp earth/autumn leaves. The palate is medium-bodied with a little sappiness on the entry. This has a little more weight than the Chapelle-Chambertin with a spicier/black pepper tinged finish. Great persistence again, this is one for the cellar.				

Vosne-Romanée 'Les Champs Perdrix'		89-92	92-94	89-91	Releasing Soon
Burghound Score: 89-92	Firm reduction presently renders the nose difficult to assess. More interesting are the racier and slightly finer middle weight flavors that possess evident minerality on the youthfully austere and sneaky long finish. This slightly firmer effort is also very good and should repay up to a decade of keeping.				
Inside Burgundy Score: 92-94	Intense black purple colour. A light reduction on the nose. Very intense pure red and blackcurrant fruit, good acidity, a fresher style throughout, lingers well on the palate. May be as good as the Morey when the reduction clears, with a little extra concentration. This could grown into a 5th star later.				
Vinous Score: 89-91	The 2020 Vosne-Romanée Les Champs Perdrix Vieilles Vignes had a small reduction on the nose, though that will go once this cuvée is racked. The palate is medium-bodied with supple tannins, here, a little more weight and ballast compared to the Chalandins with more grip on the finish. Good potential.				
Vosne Romanée 'Orme des Chalandins'		89-92	88-90	87-89	Releasing Soon
Burghound Score: 89-92	An overtly spicy and much more floral-inflected nose exhibits somewhat darker fruit. The mouthfeel of the medium-bodied flavors is also quite sleek though the supporting acidity isn't quite as bright on the firm, youthfully austere and slightly longer finale. This is a very good Vosne villages and also worth your interest.				
Inside Burgundy Score: 88-90	Rich concentrated mid purple. Taking time to tease out the nose, while the palate is more in strawberry, some woodier aspects too, a little bit soft in fruit, and again a light phenolic touch.				
Vinous Score: 87-89	The 2020 Vosne-Romanées Ormes des Chalandins has a more floral bouquet, hints of dried rose petal and a very slight peat-like aromas filtering through the red fruit. The palate is medium-bodied with supple tannins in the entry, distinctly within the red fruit profile here, though it needs a little more cohesion and density on the finish. Maybe this was just not showing on the day?				

Nuits Saint Georges 1er Cru 'Les Murgers des Cras Vieilles		91-94	89-92	90-92	Releasing Soon
Burghound Score: 91-94	An attractively spicy and beautifully layered nose of red currant and cool raspberry also present plenty of floral elements. The delicious medium weight flavors possess an equally refined mouthfeel thanks in part to the fine-grained tannins on the beautifully detailed and intense finish. This youthfully austere and strikingly long effort should amply repay 12 to 15 years of keeping yet should be approachable after only 6 to 8 years.				
Inside Burgundy Score: 89-92	Rich dark purple, the bouquet is not quite so fresh, though this might be the sample. Then a huge weight of very opulent fruit, plum pudding and dark cherry, a few tannins behind, a little bit of acidity, plenty here but overall not quite so compelling – it may very well become so after racking.				
Vinous Score: 90-92	The 2020 Nuits Saint-Georges Les Murgers des Cras is slightly earthier on the nose compared to the Domaine's other cuvées, brambly red fruit mixed with light heather and orange rind scents. The palate is medium-bodied with supple tannins, very harmonious, not enormous depth of grip here but neat and precise on the finish. I just want it to "let go" by the time this is in bottl				
Nuits Saint Georges 1er Cru 'La Richemone Cuvée Ultra'		93-95	96-100	94-96	Releasing Soon
Burghound Score: 93-95	A cool, restrained and wonderfully elegant and airy nose presents wafting aromas of red currant, plum, dark currant, spice and essence of violet. The super-sleek and seductively textured middle weight flavors brim with both minerality and sappy dry extract that buffers the dense but ultra-fine grain tannins supporting the equally persistent and youthfully austere finish. In a word, marvelous.				
Inside Burgundy Score: 96-100	This is its usual ultra-magnificent self possibly for the last time in the Centenarian format. The domaine owns a proportion of the vineyard, but the part which was leased has gone to Domaine des Lambrays, though with some of the vineyard ceded back to Perrot-Minot. For years now, Christophe's bottling of La Richemone has been one of the outstanding wines of Burgundy and the 2020 is no exception. There is a nobility to the fruit, an intensity matched by a vibrancy, that is almost unsurpassed anywhere on the Côte. It is all in red fruits while the whole bunches just add more energy and the finish is phenomenally long.				
Vinous Score: 94-96	The 2020 Nuits-Saint-Georges La Richemone Vieilles Vignes "Cuvée Ultra" has an elegant bouquet, once again, firmly within the red fruit spectrum with wild strawberry, cranberry and raspberry fruit interlaced with crushed stone and light lavender notes. The palate is medium-bodied with fine-grain tannins, taut and fresh, a fine bead of acidity with a transparent and tensile finish that lingers long in the mouth. This has a great deal of potential - very suave.				

Vosne Romanée 1er Cru 'Les Beaux Monts'		92-95	90-93	94-96	Releasing Soon
Burghound Score: 92-95	A markedly floral nose presents notes of lilac, lavender, violet and rose petal along with a plethora of spice elements on the high-toned and airy red cherry and raspberry scents. At the risk of repeating myself, here the texture of the intense and delineated medium-bodied flavors is wonderfully pure and sophisticated while delivering superb length on the dusty, youthfully austere and hugely long finale. This has the potential to be a great VRBM in time.				
Inside Burgundy Score: 90-93	Dense black purple, a bouquet which is full of energy with its black and red mix, just on the palate this is a little bit more in the direction of cooked fruit and drier tannins behind. Needs to open out more and relax the grip				
Vinous Score: 94-96	The 2020 Vosne-Romanée Les Beaux Monts Vieilles Vignes 1er Cru is very beguiling on the nose with perfumed red cherry and crushed strawberry fruit, wilted rose petals and light lavender scents. The palate is medium-bodied with very pliant tannins, a fine line of acidity, very elegant with a poised and mineral-driven finish. What a gorgeous Les Beaux Monts.				
Chapelle Chambertin Grand Cru		93-95	94-97	95-97	Releasing Soon
Burghound Score: 93-95	Slightly riper aromas include those of poached plum, black cherry, raspberry, anise and a suggestion of newly turned earth. There is excellent density to the caressing yet solidly powerful medium weight plus flavors that possess even better depth on the sneaky long, compact and tightly wound finale. While this has the stuffing to reward 15 plus years of cellaring, it should be reasonably approachable after 7 to 8 years.				
Inside Burgundy Score: 94-97	A beautiful glowing purple colour. This has a freshness and urgency, a purity of fruit which I like a lot. Everything perfectly in place, a fresh but intense red raspberry, the little white pepper tingle, and excellent length. A fine example.				
Vinous Score: 95-97	The 2020 Chapelle-Chambertin Vieilles Vignes Grand Cru has a beautifully defined bouquet, touches of basalt/crushed rock permeating the red fruit, gaining intensity with aeration. The palate is medium-bodied with supple tannins, a lilted and silky smooth Chapelle-Chambertin that expands and exerts more grip towards the finish, a touch of white pepper lingering on the aftertaste. Great potential.				

Griotte Chambertin Grand Cru		93-96	93-97	93-95	Releasing Soon
Burghound Score: 93-96	A markedly spicy nose reflects nose of both red and dark currant along with touches of earth, underbrush and crushed fennel. The succulent and appealingly textured larger-scaled flavors possess both excellent verve and focused power on the beautifully detailed, moderately austere and firm finale. This linear effort is crystalline in its purity and I particularly like the sense of Zen-like harmony here.				
Inside Burgundy Score: 93-97	Hyper-intense dark purple, powerful dark cherry saved again from excess by the whole bunches. Very floral, this is quite exciting. Becomes almost too much in the mouth with black cherries, close to the sundried version, but once again the whole bunch element stretches the fruit out to a super-sensual and very long finish.				
Vinous Score: 93-95	The 2020 Griottes-Chambertin Vieilles Vignes Grand Cru has a finely-tuned bouquet with red cherries, bergamot and touches of tea leaf, gently unfolding but never a powerful Grand Cru aromatically-speaking. The palate is medium-bodied with supple tannins, beautifully balanced with quite plush yet tensile red fruit towards the caressing finish. Good persistence here.				
Chambertin Clos De Bèze Grand Cru		96-98	95-98	95-97	Releasing Soon
Burghound Score: 96-98	This is aromatically similar to the Chambertin but, as is usually the case, much spicier and this spiciness carries over to the beautifully textured and lavishly rich flavors that possess that wonderful quality of inner mouth perfume, all wrapped in a powerful and gorgeously textured and massively long finish. This beauty is at once sophisticated yet robust and a wine that should live for several decades. Brilliant and one of the wines of the vintage.				
Inside Burgundy Score: 95-98	Rich purple, the nose is heavenly in purple raspberry fruit. In a funny way though it may be a fraction richer in alcohol, this is very harmonious on the palate with significant energy and a touch more acidity similar tannins. The digeste style of Clos de Bèze is why Christophe puts it last. The little extra touch of minerality perhaps.				
Vinous Score: 95-97	The 2020 Chambertin Clos-de-Bèze Grand Cru has what you might term a "deep" bouquet with intense red berry fruit laced with potpourri and very subtle oyster shell aromas. The palate is medium-bodied with supple lace-like tannins, a fine line of acidity, a discrete build and expansion towards the finish that displays more blacker fruit, a touch of white pepper lingering on the aftertaste.				

Chambertin Grand Cru	95-98	94-97	95-97	Releasing Soon
<p>Burghound</p> <p>Score: 95-98</p>	<p>A distinctly cool and definitely restrained nose grudgingly reveals its array of dark raspberry coulis, newly turned earth and sauvage wisps. There is outstanding volume to the concentrated, muscular and intensely mineral-driven flavors that really tighten up on the explosive, austere and very compact finale that just goes on and on. This too is marvelous.</p>			
<p>Inside Burgundy</p> <p>Score: 94-97</p>	<p>Rich dark purple. The nose is magical in a very ripe register. Slightly dry tannins from the over ripe style. The cherry notes are very heady. Flirting with too much but unless that's a problem for your palate this is gorgeously heady and not falling over.</p>			
<p>Vinous</p> <p>Score: 95-97</p>	<p>The 2020 Chambertin Grand Cru has a very complex bouquet that unfolds in the glass, a mélange of red and black fruit, pressed violets, rose petal and just a touch of autumn woodland. The palate is medium-bodied with a touch of white pepper on the entry, quite saline in the mouth with a sapid finish. Like Perrot-Minot's other wines, this rests in the red fruit profile and it has the substance to age well in bottle.</p>			

DOMAINE FRANCOIS BERTHEAU (CHAMBOLLE-MUSIGNY)	BURGHOUND	INSIDE BURGUNDY	VINOUS	PRICE
REDS				
Chambolle Musigny	87-89			\$104
Burghound Score: 87-89	Ripe and very fresh aromas include those of both red and blue pinot fruit laced with subtle spice wisps. The nicely rich, plump and rounded middle weight flavors conclude in a mildly warm if persistent finale. This refreshing effort should be approachable young.			
Inside Burgundy Score:				
Vinous Score:				
Chambolle Musigny 1er Cru	89-92			\$130
Burghound Score: 89-92	Here there is enough reduction to knock down the fruit though it's clearly ripe. Otherwise, there is slightly better intensity to the bigger and more voluminous medium weight flavors that possess solid depth and persistence on the balanced and more structured finale. This too should drink reasonably well on the younger side.			
Inside Burgundy Score:				
Vinous Score:				

Chambolle Musigny 1er Cru 'Les Charmes'	91-93			On Allocation
Burghound Score: 91-93	A perfumed and exceptionally pretty nose is comprised mostly by the essence of red currant trimmed in subtle spice and floral nuances. The rich and beautifully textured medium-bodied flavors exude evident minerality on the clean, youthfully austere and notably more complex finale. This is very well-balanced and in contrast to the prior two wines, one that is going to require at least some patience.			
Inside Burgundy Score:				
Vinous Score:				
Chambolle Musigny 1er Cru 'Les Amoureuses'	92-94			On Allocation
Burghound Score: 92-94	An elegant, pure and even spicier nose flashes notes of plum, red currant, sandalwood and hints of exotic tea. The sleek, intense, delicious and overtly mineral-driven middle weight flavors possess an even more refined palate impression before terminating in a velvety, mouth coating and impressively long finish where the only reproach is a touch of warmth. Lovely juice.			
Inside Burgundy Score:				
Vinous Score:				

Bonnes Mares Grand Cru	92-94			On Allocation
Burghound <i>Score: 92-94</i>	This is also beautifully perfumed with really pretty red berry scents cut with notes of earth, oak, anise and violet. There is a bit more size and weight if less minerality to the larger-scaled flavors that coat the palate while exhibiting fine length on the serious built-to-age finish. This is not a huge wine by the typical standards of the appellation but then again, the Bertheau version rarely is; indeed it's more of a Bonnes Mares of finesse and understatement.			
Inside Burgundy <i>Score:</i>				
Vinous <i>Score:</i>				

DOMAINE D'EUGÉNIE (VOSNE ROMANÉE)	BURGHOUND	INSIDE BURGUNDY	VINOUS	PRICE
REDS				
Vosne Romanée	88-91	89-92	89-91	On Allocation
Burghound Score: 88-91	A very spicy dark berry fruit nose is trimmed in subtle wood influence. The super-sleek, intense and utterly delicious middle weight flavors possess a succulent, even velvety texture before culminating in a lingering if mildly tangy finish that I suspect is due to the abundant gas.			
Inside Burgundy Score: 89-92	The only wine which has been racked, the Vosne-Romanée includes the young vines of all the other cuvées, both new plantings and individual vine replacements. Usually there is no whole bunch vinification for this cuvée, but this year 30% has been employed, from mature vines only. Medium purple, lightly floral, with no great power to the nose. Lovely strawberry and soft raspberry notes behind, a peppery finish. An attractive, balanced, Vosne-Romanée.			
Vinous Score: 89-91	The 2020 Vosne-Romanée Village had been racked three weeks prior to my visit, a blend of three parcels and including 30% whole bunch with 25% new oak. It has a light bouquet with mulberry and fresh loamy soil, the stems quite pronounced at the moment. The palate is medium-bodied with fine grain tannins, taut and fresh, quite sapid with a touch of black olive-tinged/fish scale finish.			
Vosne Romanée 'Clos d'Eugenie'	89-91	91-93	90-92	On Allocation
Burghound Score: 89-91	Here too the expressive nose is exuberantly spicy with its ripe aromas of violet, lavender, plum and jasmine tea. The slightly finer medium weight flavors possess a lovely sense of underlying tension with the same attractive texture, all wrapped in a balanced, long and slightly more complex finale. Very good potential quality here.			
Inside Burgundy Score: 91-93	50% whole bunch vinification and two new barrels in six. A lovely pure glowing mid purple. The bouquet is still backward, showing a bit of roses and pepper though. Beautiful harmony, immediately sensual yet there is clearly impressive depth to this and it is not showing everything yet. A little touch of liquorice to finish. At 13.6%, this is the ripest!			
Vinous Score: 90-92	The 2020 Vosne-Romanée le Clos d'Eugénie includes 50% whole bunch and matured in one-third new oak. The stems are a little better integrated here compared to the Village Cru, very well defined and focused with black cherries, briary and light flinty aromas. The palate is well balanced with edgy, slightly chalky tannins, a fine bead of acidity, quite focused with a saline finish that lingers nicely in the mouth. Very fine, but it will need time.			

Vosne Romanée 1er Cru 'Brûlées'		90-92	94-96	93-95	On Allocation
Burghound Score: 90-92	There is enough wood to merit mentioning on the ripe aromas of plum, cassis, black cherry, Asian style tea and a hint of sandalwood. There is both better density and a more sophisticated mouthfeel to the vibrant, delineated and more mineral-driven and slightly firmer finish where a touch of youthful austerity slowly emerges.				
Inside Burgundy Score: 94-96	70% whole bunch vinification and three new barrels in six. Premier cru is just the upper part, above the wall, as much is being replanted and one plot is regularly declassified. Excellent deep mid purple in color and with considerable depth of flavor evident on the nose. Superb at the back. There is a wonderful linear thread to this Brûlées, still light on its feet. Very stylish. Floral and mineral together.				
Vinous Score: 93-95	The 2020 Vosne-Romanée Aux Brûlées 1er Cru is blended with 70% whole bunch and matured in two-thirds new oak. Again, the stems here are neatly enmeshed, allspice and black pepper, leaning slight more towards black fruit than red. The palate is medium-bodied with quite firm tannins on the entry, loosening a little midway, quite "cool" and spicy towards the finish. Classy.				
Clos de Vougeot Grand Cru		92-95	95-98	92-94	On Allocation
Burghound Score: 92-95	There is a hint of bitter chocolate to the ripe aromas of plum, wild red berries, warm earth and whiffs of violet and anise. Once again there is excellent volume to the bright and vivacious big-bodied flavors that possess fine mid-palate density on the silky but punchy, lingering and impeccably well-balanced finish that is supported by even firmer tannins. Lovely.				
Inside Burgundy Score: 95-98	70% whole bunch vinification and 12 new barrels in 14. Full deep purple. The nose is much sterner than the Grands Echezeaux but the wine may be very nearly as fine. There is a purist, Cistercian element on the palate: this is beautifully constructed though the oak shows at the moment, savoury, with real grip at the back side alongside the happily managed dark fruit. This wine is weighted to the back, whereas the Grands Echezeaux gets you going from the first moment. Very promising- no, more than that, its the real deal.				
Vinous Score: 92-94	The 2020 Clos de Vougeot Grand Cru is raised with 70% whole bunch and around 80% new oak. Here, I feel that the stems are just jutting out a little more compared to the Grands Echézeaux and slightly obscures the terroir expression. The palate is medium-bodied with gentle grip, fine backbone, perhaps without the same amplitude on the finish as either the Echézeaux or its "big brother". Still, this will give two or three decades of drinking pleasure.				

Échezeaux Grand Cru		90-93	93-96	94-96	\$510
Burghound Score: 90-93	Here the nose is riper still with its array of black cherry liqueur, kirsch, cassis and spice nuances that are also trimmed in enough wood to notice. There is fine volume and mid-palate density to the velvety and punch medium weight plus flavors that coat the palate with sappy dry extract on the dusty, moderately austere and sneaky long finish. At least some patience suggested as this will need at least a decade to resolve what are presently firm tannins.				
Inside Burgundy Score: 93-96	70% whole bunch vinification and four new barrels in five. Very dense purple, dark strawberry notes on the nose, clearly ripe even at only just over 13%. A sweet, sensual mouthful, yet with strictness and structure at the back, The 2020 Domaine d'Eugénie Echezeaux offers both delicacy and harmony.				
Vinous Score: 94-96	The 2020 Echézeaux Grand Cru includes 70% whole bunch and matured in 80% new oak. This is very refined on the nose with brambly red berry fruit, crushed stone, wilted rose petal and a touch of spice. The palate is tensile on the entry with a slightly granular texture, fine depth, real precision and poise on the finish. This really is a top-notch Echézeaux.				
Grands Échezeaux Grand Cru		92-94	96-98	96-98	On Allocation
Burghound Score: 92-94	A moderately toasty nose speaks of various dark berries, a variety of floral elements, along with notes of exotic tea, sandalwood and soy. There is excellent volume to the gorgeously textured larger-scaled flavors that also coat the palate with sappy dry extract on the similarly dusty, austere and serious finish. Here too I suggest exercising at least moderate patience.				
Inside Burgundy Score: 96-98	70% whole bunch vinification and three new barrels in four. A glowing black purple colour. Put your nose into this and smile. Glorious harmony as well as starting density. Brilliant dense expression of roses with dark fruit in the background. At the moment the fruit smothers all, but I have absolutely no doubt that the structure will firm up behind to confirm the greatness of this wine.				
Vinous Score: 96-98	The 2020 Grands Echézeaux Grand Cru includes three-quarters whole cluster fruit. It has a beautifully-defined bouquet with a mixture of red and black fruit, wilted rose petals, incredibly precise and focused. The palate has an unerring symmetry, a fine bead of acidity, precise and crisp, the whole bunch seamlessly integrated with an assiduous sprinkling of white pepper on the finish. This magnificent Grands Echézeaux is very persistent in the mouth and it should be afforded around a decade in bottle to witness it at full flight. Magnificent.				

DOMAINE NICOLE LAMARCHE (VOSNE ROMANÉE)	BURGHOUND	INSIDE BURGUNDY	VINOUS	PRICE
REDS				
Bourgogne	86	88		\$28
Burghound Score: 86	A wonderfully fresh and bright nose features mostly red berry fruit and just turned earth scents. The racy and delicious middle weight flavors possess a round and nicely textured mouthfeel, all wrapped in a refreshing finale where a hint of sweetness creeps in.			
Inside Burgundy Score: 88	Bottled in July. Pink purple of medium depth. Some elegance to the fruit, not massive but fine. Fills the mouth very nicely in a fresh way, red fruit with some blood orange, perfectly balanced tannins and acidity and good length.			
Vinous Score:				
Bourgogne Hautes Cotes de Nuits				\$32
Burghound Score:				
Inside Burgundy Score:				
Vinous Score:				

Clos de Vougeot Grand Cru		91-94	93-96	94-96	\$218
Burghound Score: 91-94	An earthier and more somber if nicely layered nose is comprised by notes of both red and dark berries along with a whisper of the sauvage along with a floral top note. The delicious and rounded medium weight flavors possess focused power that really comes up on the dusty, chalky, youthfully austere and impressively persistent finale. This built-to-age effort is going to require at least some patience as it's quite tightly wound today.				
Inside Burgundy Score:	A pretty ruby colour, not too deep. A most elegant and floral bouquet, not especially typical of the appellation, but very attractive. A little barrel toast. Good acidity to back the volume of lush fruit, this has length and class and will require a little time.				
Vinous Score: 94-96	The 2020 Clos de Vougeot Grand Cru has a tightly-wound nose that took time to open in the glass, touches of crushed rock filtering through the redcurrant and wild strawberry fruit. The palate is smooth and sensual, more density and sinew than the Echezeaux and a touch more salinity and energy on the finish. This should age well, but deserves three to four years in bottle.				
Échezeaux Grand Cru		91-94	93-95	92-94	\$218
Burghound Score: 91-94	Ripe and nicely fresh aromas of plum, dark currant, red cherry, anise and jasmine tea give way to succulent, round and delicious medium-bodied flavors that also possess a beguiling texture while displaying excellent depth and persistence on the youthfully austere and well-balanced finish.				
Inside Burgundy Score: 93-95	A vibrant crimson and ruby colour. There is more intensity of fruit on the nose than detail. A fractional reduction too. Very intense lifted red fruit up front, gentler behind where the nuances start to come out. Built on balanced acidity rather than tannins. Quite long.				
Vinous Score: 92-94	The 2020 Echézeaux Grand Cru has a well-defined nose with red berry fruit, blood orange and light rose petal scents. The palate is medium-bodied with fine tannins and Lamarche's trademark silky texture. Again, not a structured or dense '20 by any means, though there is well-judged salinity and tension on the finish and a spiciness that emerges with aeration.				

Grands Échezeaux Grand Cru		92-95	94-96		On Allocation
Burghound Score: 92-95	A more elegant and more floral-suffused if decidedly restrained nose requires some aggressive swirling to gradually reveal its aromas of cool essence of red cherry, Asian-style tea and hints of soy and hoisin. The lilted but almost painfully intense middle weight flavors also possess excellent length on the compact, exceptionally firm and strikingly long finale. I would point out that it is entirely possible that someone trying this might find it on the lighter side in terms of what is typical for Grands Ech, yet the flavor authority makes clear this is quite serious and is a wine that should age gracefully for the next two decades.				
Inside Burgundy Score: 94-96	A little more purple in the slightly fuller colour. The bouquet does not quite want to speak yet, however. A light reduction. Much fuller on the palate, clearly more density than the Echézeaux which I did not always find in the past, very classy, the raspberries at their finest, not their most lush, and with good backing acidity.				
Vinous Score:					
La Grande Rue		93-95	95-97		\$968
La Grande Rue (1.5L)		93-95	95-97		\$1,998
Burghound Score: 93-95	A more expressive nose freely offers up exceptionally pretty aromas that include the exuberantly spicy essence of various red berries, sandalwood and an interesting hint of orange pekoe tea. The richer but not as tightly wound medium weight flavors possess a borderline creamy mid-palate while the hugely long finish is youthfully austere but impeccably well-balanced. In a word, excellent.				
Inside Burgundy Score: 95-97	Medium deep crimson purple. The nose starts discreetly and then starts to show its paces. Then the elegance, hard to specify the individual notes. Slightly more floral, while those characteristic little orange blossom notes appear only on the palate adding a slight youthful bitterness. The length and the texture are impeccable. A mix of roses and the lightest of red fruits. Poised and balanced, the wine which Nicole wants to make.				
Vinous Score:					

DOMAINE SYLVAIN CATHIARD (VOSNE ROMANÉE)	BURGHOUND	INSIDE BURGUNDY	VINOUS	PRICE
REDS				
Bourgogne	87-89	87-89	85-87	Sold Out
Burghound Score: 87-89	Here the expressive nose is derived more from the red side of the fruit spectrum with additional floral and earth nuances where the latter can also be found on the equally agreeably textured and slightly denser flavors that possess even better depth and length. This is a terrific Bourgogne and worth you interest.			
Inside Burgundy Score: 87-89	Made from the domaine's historic plot and another one in Les Croix Blanches. Assembled at vinification. Intense purple, and while the bouquet shows sunny intensity it stays recognisable pinot in shape. More red fruit than black, generous but balanced, a little oak at the back (20% new) and a fine long aftertaste.			
Vinous Score: 85-87	The 2020 Bourgogne Rouge comes from two parcels, one close to where Les Croix Blanches is located. This has quite a high-toned, very floral bouquet that errs close to Syrah in personality. The palate is ripe on the entry with soft black plummy fruit, a touch of dessicated orange peel on the finish that is just a little short.			
Bourgogne Hautes Cotes de Nuits 'Aux Chaumes'	86-89	86-87	87-89	Sold Out
Burghound Score: 86-89	Airy and cool aromas of layered red currant and plum give way to vibrant, delineated and saline-inflected flavors that offer reasonably good depth on the sneaky long finish. Once again, this boxes above its weight for what it is.			
Inside Burgundy Score: 86-87	Aux Chaumes is next door to the well-known Dames Huguettes vineyard, and these are low-trained vines in a plot of 1.35ha. Equally deep purple, the fruit showing a limestone vibrancy, ripe but in balance. Compared to the Bourgogne Pinot Noir, there is slightly more acidity and the fruit does not fill the mouth quite so well. Just a slight suggestion of cooking the fruit though it stays red.			
Vinous Score: 87-89	The 2020 Bourgogne Hautes Côtes de Nuits Aux Chaumes, which contains a little more clay than the Les Dames Huguette, has a delightful, perfumed red cherry and orange pith scented bouquet. The palate is medium-bodied with supple tannins, fine acidity, good tension with veins of blue fruit on the finish.			

Bourgogne Hautes Cotes de Nuits 'Les dames Huguettes'	87-89	87-88	89-91	Sold Out
<p>Burghound</p> <p>Score: 87-89</p>	<p>A slightly more deeply pitched nose grudgingly reveals its blend of plum, dark berries and subtle earth and floral wisps. There is again very good vibrancy and delineation to the more mineral-driven flavors that possess a chalky texture on the youthfully austere finale. This is an excellent Bourgogne and also worth your consideration.</p>			
<p>Inside Burgundy</p> <p>Score: 87-89</p>	<p>30-70 year old low trained vines making up 1.45ha in several plots. Compared to Aux Charmes, Les Dames Huguettes has an equally deep or possibly even more concentrated purple colour, with a slightly richer fruit, more complete on the nose. This follows through on the palate with an extra deep cherry intensity that is more consistent across the palate.</p>			
<p>Vinous</p> <p>Score: 89-91</p>	<p>The 2020 Bourgogne Hautes Côtes de Nuits Les Dames Huguette contains more limestone soils than the Aux Chaumes. It has a very different bouquet with a more expressive and detailed nose, whilst the palate is medium-bodied with fine boned tannins, quite saline with good density in the finish. I can see this ageing well.</p>			

DOMAINE SYLVAIN CATHIARD (VOSNE ROMANÉE)	BURGHOUND	INSIDE BURGUNDY	VINOUS	PRICE
WHITES				
Bourgogne Aligote 2021				\$39
Burghound				
Score:				
Inside Burgundy				
Score:				
Vinous				
Score:				
Bourgogne Hautes Cotes de Nuits Blanc				\$66
Burghound				
Score:				
Inside Burgundy				
Score:				
Vinous				
Score:				

MAISON LUCIEN LE MOINE (BEAUNE)	BURGHOUND	INSIDE BURGUNDY	VINOUS	PRICE
REDS				
Bourgogne				\$52
Burghound <i>Score:</i>				
Inside Burgundy <i>Score:</i>				
Vinous <i>Score:</i>				
Chambolle Musigny 1er Cru 'Les Amoureuses'	92-95			\$590
Burghound <i>Score: 92-95</i>	Reduction masks the underlying fruit though there is a really lovely inner mouth perfume to the punchy and gorgeously textured middle weight flavors that brim with minerality on the sappy and wonderfully complex finale that flashes first-rate length. This firm effort is presently quite compact and a wine that is going to need at least some bottle aging to further flesh out, though it is already very classy.			
Inside Burgundy <i>Score:</i>				
Vinous <i>Score:</i>				

Chambolle Musigny 1er Cru 'Les Sentiers'					\$208
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy					
Score:					
Vinous					
Score:					
Chambolle Musigny 1er Cru 'Les Feusselottes'					\$208
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy					
Score:					
Vinous					
Score:					

Chambolle Musigny 1er Cru 'Les Hauts Doix'		92-94			\$240
Burghound Score: 92-94	This is one of the few wines in the range to display more than a soupçon of wood influence and even here it's subtle on the more floral-suffused and attractively fresh aromas of spice black raspberry coulis. There is first-rate intensity to the refined and lacy mineral-driven medium weight flavors that maintain excellent focus on the wonderfully long, balanced and youthfully austere finale. As is usually the case, this is a Haut-Doix of finesse.				
Inside Burgundy Score:					
Vinous Score:					
Gevrey Chambertin 1er Cru 'Lavaut Saint Jacques'					\$220
Burghound Score:					
Inside Burgundy Score:					
Vinous Score:					

Morey St Denis 1er Cru 'Clos des Ormes'					\$118
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy					
Score:					
Vinous					
Score:					
Nuits Saint Georges 1er Cru 'Aux Boudots'					\$156
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy					
Score:					
Vinous					
Score:					

Nuits Saint Georges 1er Cru 'Les Vaucrains'	92-94			\$160
Burghound Score: 92-94	Notably ripe yet nicely fresh and even cool aromas of poached plum and dark berry fruit coulis are trimmed in hints of earth and the sauvage. The palate impression of the big-bodied and powerful flavors is one of contrasts as the mid-palate is actually nicely refined if dense whereas the wonderfully persistent finish is robust, muscular and borderline rustic, as well as exceptionally firm. Once again, I would recommend not touching a bottle for at least a decade and this beauty should repay almost two.			
Inside Burgundy Score:				
Vinous Score:				
Nuits Saint Georges 1er Cru 'Les Saint Georges'	92-95			\$160
Burghound Score: 92-95	This too is quite ripe yet remains equally fresh and cool with slightly more reserved aromas of essence of wild dark currants, black berry liqueur and pungent earth characters. The borderline painfully intense middle weight plus flavors are perhaps even more mineral-driven and delineated to the point of being chiseled on the exceptionally firm, moderately austere and hugely persistent finish. Once again, this is a wine to buy and forget you own it as it has development potential that should span two decades. Excellent but seriously compact and backward.			
Inside Burgundy Score:				
Vinous Score:				

Pommard 1er Cru 'Les Rugiens'						\$142
Burghound						
Score:						
Inside Burgundy						
Score:						
Vinous						
Score:						
Volnay 1er Cru 'Santenots'						\$142
Burghound						
Score:						
Inside Burgundy						
Score:						
Vinous						
Score:						

Volnay 1er Cru 'Les Caillerets'		92-94			\$164
Burghound Score: 92-94	Here too the nose is sufficiently reduced to mask the nuances of the aromatic profile. There is a notably finer mouthfeel, if less power, to the dense, serious and mineral-driven middle weight flavors that deliver superb length and depth on the highly complex finale where the only reproach is a touch of warmth. This is terrific though note that like many of the wines in the range, this will require at least moderate patience.				
Inside Burgundy Score:					
Vinous Score:					
Vougeot 1er Cru 'Les Petits Vougeot'		90-92			\$204
Burghound Score: 90-92	Here too the reduction is dense enough to hide the fruit. Otherwise, there is a caressing but punchy mouthfeel to the detailed and refined middle weight flavors that exude plenty of minerality on the mildly austere, firm and sneaky long finale. This is very Petits Vougeot in character with its elegant and understated style.				
Inside Burgundy Score:					
Vinous Score:					

Vosne Romanée 1er Cru 'Les Chaumes'		90-93				\$296
Burghound Score: 90-93	Pungent aromas of wood and reduction lead to almost painfully intense middle weight flavors that also possess an appealing texture that is at once rich and nicely detailed, all wrapped in lingering finish that is appealingly complex. This is very pretty and while it will likely need 12-ish years to arrive at its apogee, it should be approachable after only 5 to 7.					
Inside Burgundy Score:						
Vinous Score:						
Vosne Romanée 'Aux Champs Pedrix'						\$196
Burghound Score:						
Inside Burgundy Score:						
Vinous Score:						

Vosne Romanée 1er Cru 'Au-dessus des Malconsorts'		91-93			\$332
Burghound Score: 91-93	Moderate reduction pushes the fruit to the background though it is clearly ripe. Once again, the medium weight flavors possess a beguiling texture that is succulent, even suave, thanks to the abundance of dry extract that imparts a sappy mouthfeel to the firmly structured and sneaky long finish.				
Inside Burgundy Score:					
Vinous Score:					
Vosne Romanée 1er Cru 'Les Suchots'		91-94			\$232
Burghound Score: 91-94	An exuberantly spicy and very Vosne nose of plum, dark fruit coulis, exotic tea and sandalwood aromas beautifully complement the sleek and detailed if not especially dense flavors that still possess good richness on the dusty, very firm and youthfully austere finale. This too is absolutely going to require at least some forbearance.				
Inside Burgundy Score:					
Vinous Score:					

Bonnes-Mares Grand Cru		93-96			\$604
Burghound Score: 93-96	Ripe aromas include those of plum, dark cherry, warm earth and a whisper of the sauvage. The supple, delicious and dense big-bodied flavors flash enormous power and drive that really builds from the mid-palate to the explosively long and sappy finish where the only nit is a hint of warmth. Note that this is very firmly structured and in need of at least a decade of keeping and should reward almost two.				
Inside Burgundy Score:					
Vinous Score:					
Charmes-Chambertin Grand Cru		91-94			\$416
Burghound Score: 91-94	A nicely layered mix of red and black cherry, raspberry, earth and pretty floral wisps complements the succulent, delicious caressing middle weight flavors aren't nearly as mineral-driven on the youthfully austere, dusty and lingering finale that is also markedly firm. This too needs to develop better depth to achieve the upper end of my estimated range.				
Inside Burgundy Score:					
Vinous Score:					

Chambertin-Clos de Beze Grand Cru		93-95			\$656
Burghound Score: 93-95	This too is firmly reduced. There is almost painful intensity to the beautifully delineated and mineral-driven broad-shouldered flavors that possess a highly refined textured before culminating in an almost crisp, moderately austere and wonderfully persistent finale that is quite firmly structured. This is a bit atypical but no less attractive for it and a Bèze that should amply reward a decade plus of cellaring. Lovely.				
Inside Burgundy Score:					
Vinous Score:					
Clos de la Roche Grand Cru		92-94			\$416
Burghound Score: 92-94	This is actually quite aromatically similar to the Genavrières if perhaps just a bit more spice elements in evidence. There is more substantial difference on the palate though with more size, weight and richness to the more powerful broad-shouldered flavors that possess so much dry extract that the palate impression is almost lush, all wrapped in a firm, lingering and balanced finale. What this doesn't have, at least not yet, is outstanding depth so at least moderate patience will be in order.				
Inside Burgundy Score:					
Vinous Score:					

Clos Saint Denis Grand Cru		93-95			\$412
Burghound Score: 93-95	Firm reduction pushes the fruit and spice elements to the background. More interesting are the sleeker, fine and slightly more energetic if less powerful medium-bodied flavors that exude a fine bead of minerality on the moderately austere, more complex and, somewhat unusually, a bit more structured finale. This beauty is potentially stunning though it too is going to need a long snooze in a cool cellar.				
Inside Burgundy Score:					
Vinous Score:					
Clos de Vougeot Grand Cru		92-95			\$436
Burghound Score: 92-95	This is spicier than it usually is with plenty of earth and humus nuances adding breadth to the ripe aromas of poached plum and wild black raspberry. The big-bodied, concentrated and powerful flavors have a gorgeous mouthfeel thanks to the abundance of dry extract buffering the very firm, and prominent, tannic spine shaping the impressively persistent and youthfully austere finale. Again, at least moderate patience strongly recommended.				
Inside Burgundy Score:					
Vinous Score:					

Corton Renardes Grand Cru					\$240
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy					
Score:					
Vinous					
Score:					
Échezeaux Grand Cru		92-95			\$442
Burghound	This too is exuberantly spicy with its range of clove, anise, hoisin and floral nuances, particularly violet and rose petal. The delicious, suave and very rounded medium-bodied flavors exhibit impressive power on the impressively long finish. This offers fine development potential, which is a good thing as it needs to develop better depth with time in bottle.				
Score: 92-95					
Inside Burgundy					
Score:					
Vinous					
Score:					

Grands Échezeaux Grand Cru		93-96			\$712
Burghound Score: 93-96	This is aromatically similar to the Echézeaux but with even more floral elements present. The exceptionally rich, concentrated and markedly powerful big-bodied flavors display impressive size, weight and muscle on the hugely long finish. This too will need to develop more depth, but the underlying material certainly appears to be here for that to happen. In a word, terrific.				
Inside Burgundy Score:					
Vinous Score:					
Latricieres Chambertin Grand Cru		92-95			\$418
Burghound Score: 92-95	A highly restrained and ultra-pure nose reflects notes of the essence of both red and dark currant, forest floor and a more discreet whiff of the sauvage. The mouthfeel is unusually rich for young Latricières though there is ample minerality adding a sense of lift to the impressively persistent, markedly firm, austere and well-balanced finale. This lovely effort will need to add depth to merit the top end of my projected range, but it has the stuffing to potentially do that.				
Inside Burgundy Score:					
Vinous Score:					

Mazis Chambertin Grand Cru	93-95			\$572
Burghound Score: 93-95	Firm reduction flattens the fruit today. Happily, there is excellent energy to the big-bodied, serious and tautly muscular flavors that possess an abundance of sappy dry extract, indeed the mid-palate is almost plush, before concluding a compact, built-to-age and gorgeously long finish. At the risk of sounding like a broken record, this is magnificent but a wine to buy and forget for at least a decade. Bravo!			
Inside Burgundy Score:				
Vinous Score:				

MAISON LUCIEN LE MOINE (BEAUNE)	BURGHOUND	INSIDE BURGUNDY	VINOUS	PRICE
WHITES				
Bourgogne				\$52
Burghound <i>Score:</i>				
Inside Burgundy <i>Score:</i>				
Vinous <i>Score:</i>				
Chassagne-Montrachet 1er Cru 'La Grande Montagne'				\$152
Burghound <i>Score:</i>				
Inside Burgundy <i>Score:</i>				
Vinous <i>Score:</i>				

Chassagne-Montrachet 1er Cru 'Les Chenevottes'					\$152
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy					
Score:					
Vinous					
Score:					
Chassagne-Montrachet 1er Cru 'Les Grandes Ruchottes'					\$164
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy					
Score:					
Vinous					
Score:					

Chassagne-Montrachet 1er Cru 'Les Embrazees'					\$150
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy					
Score:					
Vinous					
Score:					
Meursault 1er Cru 'Charmes'					\$184
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy					
Score:					
Vinous					
Score:					

Meursault 1er Cru 'Porusot'					\$184
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy					
Score:					
Vinous					
Score:					
Meursault 1er Cru 'Les Boucheres'					\$178
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy					
Score:					
Vinous					
Score:					

Meursault 1er Cru 'Perrieres'						\$262
Burghound						
Score:						
Inside Burgundy						
Score:						
Vinous						
Score:						
Puligny Montrachet 1er Cru 'Les Chalumeaux'						\$184
Burghound						
Score:						
Inside Burgundy						
Score:						
Vinous						
Score:						

Chablis 1er Cru 'Mont de Milieu'					\$108
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy					
Score:					
Vinous					
Score:					
Chablis Grand Cru 'Preuses'					\$178
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy					
Score:					
Vinous					
Score:					

Chablis Grand Cru 'Les Clos'					\$182
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy					
Score:					
Vinous					
Score:					
Corton Blanc Grand Cru					\$288
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy					
Score:					
Vinous					
Score:					

Corton Charlemagne Grand Cru					\$358
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy					
Score:					
Vinous					
Score:					
Criôts Batard Montrachet					\$850
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy					
Score:					
Vinous					
Score:					

Batard-Montrachet						\$948
Burghound						
Score:						
Inside Burgundy						
Score:						
Vinous						
Score:						

DOMAINE LA POUSSE D'OR (VOLNAY)	BURGHOUND	INSIDE BURGUNDY	VINOUS	PRICE
REDS				
Pommard 1er Cru 'Les Jarollières'				\$94
Burghound Score:				
Inside Burgundy Score:				
Vinous Score:				
Volnay 1er Cru 'Clos d'Audignac'				\$102
Burghound Score:				
Inside Burgundy Score:				
Vinous Score:				

Volnay 1er Cru 'Clos des 60 Ouvrées'					\$108
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy					
Score:					
Vinous					
Score:					
Volnay 1er Cru "Clos de la Bousse D'Or Cuvée Amphore"					\$110
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy					
Score:					
Vinous					
Score:					

Volnay 1er Cru "Clos des 60 Ouvrées Cuvée Amphore"					\$112
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy					
Score:					
Vinous					
Score:					
Corton Clos du Roi Grand Cru					\$126
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy					
Score:					
Vinous					
Score:					

Corton-Bressandes					\$122
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy					
Score:					
Vinous					
Score:					
Chambolle Musigny 1er Cru 'Les Charmes'					\$188
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy					
Score:					
Vinous					
Score:					

Clos de la Roche Grand Cru					\$408
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy					
Score:					
Vinous					
Score:					
Chambolle Musigny 1er Cru 'Les Amoureuses'					On Allocation
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy					
Score:					
Vinous					
Score:					

Bonnes Mares Grand Cru					On Allocation
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy					
Score:					
Vinous					
Score:					

DOMAINE LA POUSSE D'OR (VOLNAY)	BURGHOUND	INSIDE BURGUNDY	VINOUS	PRICE
WHITES				
Puligny Montrachet 1er Cru 'Les Caillerets'				\$130
Burghound Score:				
Inside Burgundy Score:				
Vinous Score:				
Chevalier Montrachet Grand Cru				\$658
Burghound Score:				
Inside Burgundy Score:				
Vinous Score:				

DOMAINE BUISSON CHARLES (MEURSAULT)		BURGHOUND	INSIDE BURGUNDY	VINOUS	PRICE
REDS					
Bourgogne 'Hautes Coutures'					Releasing Soon
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy					
Score:					
Vinous					
Score:					
Pommard					\$70
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy					
Score:					
Vinous					
Score:					

Volnay 1er Cru "Santenots"						\$126
Burghound						
Score:						
Inside Burgundy						
Score:						
Vinous						
Score:						
Morey Saint Denis 1er Cru						\$126
Burghound						
Score:						
Inside Burgundy						
Score:						
Vinous						
Score:						

Corton Grand Cru					\$163
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy					
Score:					
Vinous					
Score:					
Chapelle Chambertin Grand Cru					\$326
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy					
Score:					
Vinous					
Score:					

Chambertin Grand Cru					\$508
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy					
Score:					
Vinous					
Score:					

DOMAINE BUISSON CHARLES (MEURSAULT)	BURGHOUND	INSIDE BURGUNDY	VINOUS	PRICE
WHITES				
Bourgogne 'Hautes Coutures Cote d'Or'				\$40
Burghound <i>Score:</i>				
Inside Burgundy <i>Score:</i>				
Vinous <i>Score:</i>				
Bourgogne Aligote				\$36
Burghound <i>Score:</i>				
Inside Burgundy <i>Score:</i>				
Vinous <i>Score:</i>				

Meursault 'Vieilles Vignes'					\$72
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy					
Score:					
Vinous					
Score:					
Meursault 'La Vigne de 1945'					\$90
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy					
Score:					
Vinous					
Score:					

Meursault 'Tessons'					\$108
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy					
Score:					
Vinous					
Score:					
Meursault 1er Cru 'Les Cras'					\$126
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy					
Score:					
Vinous					
Score:					

Meursault 1er Cru 'Bouches Chères'						\$126
Burghound						
Score:						
Inside Burgundy						
Score:						
Vinous						
Score:						
Meursault 1er Cru 'Goutte d'Or'						\$126
Burghound						
Score:						
Inside Burgundy						
Score:						
Vinous						
Score:						

Puligny Montrachet 1er Cru 'Les Champs Gains'					\$218
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy					
Score:					
Vinous					
Score:					

DOMAINE / MAISON HENRI BOILLOT (MEURSAULT)	BURGHOUND	INSIDE BURGUNDY	VINOUS	PRICE
REDS				
Bourgogne Pinot Noir				\$34
Burghound Score:				
Inside Burgundy Score:				
Vinous Score:				
Pommard 1er Cru 'Clos Blanc'		90-93		\$114
Burghound Score:				
Inside Burgundy Score: 90-93	Deep full purple, the nose seems almost discreet after the Volnays. Clos Blanc is a cooler spot. There is a firm thread running through the middle, and a tannin or two. Plenty of concentration at the back, not too ripe, good potential.			
Vinous Score:				

Volnay 1er Cru 'Caillerets'			93-96		\$136
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy	Even more intense purple than the Chevrets with a theme of intense brilliance and zest through the middle. The wood shows a bit at the moment though he has used less in his red wines this year. Will settle down. Just a touch soapy at the moment, but all the indications are of a grand vin. Sweet ripe cherries with a good thread of acidity.				
Score: 93-96					
Vinous					
Score:					
Volnay 1er Cru 'Les Chevrets'			93-96		\$114
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy	An emperor would be pleased with the intensity of this purple robe. The fruit is the most concentrated to date, and picked at the perfect time. Heady, intense, perfectly judged raspberry. This is spectacular. Not over the top, ripe tannins, just the right point of acidity, and excellent persistence. Guillaume speaks of delicacy and I can see what he means despite the Boillot style which is too intense to be designated delicate.				
Score: 93-96					
Vinous					
Score:					

Volnay 1er Cru 'Les Fremiets'			90-93		\$114
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy	Very intense mid purple, very floral, like dried cherries, a bouncing energy up at the front, continues through to the back, good acidity, some slightly dry tannins, but overall a very good prospect. I could believe there were whole bunches here, which there are not. Amazing persistence.				
Score: 90-93					
Vinous					
Score:					
Bonnes Mares Grand Cru			94-96		\$434
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy	Two suppliers covering both terroirs. Ultra-intense imperial purple. There is a seductive first wave of the bouquet which I find each year here and love every time. Super ripe in 2020 with a little touch of minerals graphite behind. This dances on the palate, not as heavy as the start would suggest, slightly drier tannins, but the balance still works.				
Score: 94-96					
Vinous					
Score:					

Chambertin Grand Cru			95-97		Releasing Soon
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy	Deep rich and inky purple. An explosion of heady very dark cherry fruit, not an ethereal style of Chambertin at this stage in its life. All the body is there, a sumptuous wave of fruit and then, bless me, the elegance of this great vineyard does start to come out behind. Perfectly judged ripeness, really very fine indeed.				
Score: 95-97					
Vinous					
Score:					
Clos Vougeot Grand Cru			93-95		\$262
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy	When the Boillots' previous source started to bottle his own wines in 2015, it was necessary to switch to another source which seems to be equally good. Rich deep purple black. This is certainly ripe, perhaps even a gamey quality. Freshens up in the glass. Huge fruit weight here, dark notes but actually a core of pure red fruit beneath. Strong but fine tannins, this is going to be quite impressive.				
Score: 93-95					
Vinous					
Score:					

Échezeaux Grand Cru		93-95	\$308
Burghound Score:			
Inside Burgundy Score: 93-95	No doubting the density of the colour here. High toned and exciting, benefits from the cooler site of en Orveaux. Redcurrant and raspberry with fine intensity and good acidity, tannins nowhere to be seen. Lightest whiff of volatile but below any worrying threshold.		
Vinous Score:			

DOMAINE / MAISON HENRI BOILLOT (MEURSAULT)		BURGHOUND	INSIDE BURGUNDY	VINOUS	PRICE
Bourgogne Chardonnay					\$39
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy					
Score:					
Vinous					
Score:					
Meursault			90-92		\$76
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy	<p>Mostly made from their own grapes from Luraules, Petit Charrons, Pelles Dessus along with grapes they harvest from En La Barre and Clos du Cromin. The new wood level has been reduced to 15-20%. More lemon than lime in colour, quite a plump nose though fruit detail awaits. Builds very nicely on the palate, some ripe greengage notes, very good fresh finish with a balance between the flesh and the acidity. Recognisably Meursault.</p>				
Score: 90-92					
Vinous					
Score:					

Meursault 1er Cru 'Les Genevrières'			90-93		On Allocation
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy	Fullish yellow, with a heady, honeyed richness. A little touch of bacon fat, more flesh in the mouth than I find ideal, then tightens up at the finish. Pears not peaches. Young vines here, the first to be picked, and they may have caught the sun just a fraction.				
Score: 90-93					
Vinous					
Score:					
Puligny Montrachet 1er Cru 'Clos De La Mouchère'			95-97		On Allocation
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy	Clear pale lemon. This has a very high class nose, just a fraction of barrel toast too, very complex, the fruit is notably fresh. What an intensity, lots of fresh plum, good oak helping to whiten the finish. Tension throughout, picked at the right time. The four plots, vinified apart and now assembled, make a very complete wine.				
Score: 95-97					
Vinous					
Score:					

Batard Montrachet Grand Cru			96-98		On Allocation
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy	Mid lemon yellow. There is a slight reduction to the nose. All the weight appears on the palate with a gorgeously sensual deep white fruit, not heavy at all. White pepper. There is no sign of the reduction on the palate. An exceptional example with more tension at the back, great potential for the long term. Guillaume Boillot has dialled down to 50% new wood here and that is plenty.				
Score: 96-98					
Vinous					
Score:					
Chevalier Montrachet Grand Cru			94-97		On Allocation
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy	From purchased fruit. Clear pale colour. Clean pure white fruit and flowers with a strong backbone. Not the flesh of the Bâtard of course. Fine and chiselled, with a stony touch and some wood at the back.				
Score: 94-97					
Vinous					
Score:					

Corton Charlemagne Grand Cru		93-96		On Allocation
<p>Burghound</p> <p>Score:</p>				
<p>Inside Burgundy</p> <p>Score: 93-96</p>	<p>Purchased grapes, from all three communes of the appellation. Mid lemon yellow colour, a tight nose, harder to assess because served after the Montrachet. Very intense, backward, quite ripe, and the necessary stones do appear in due course, along with the weighty yellow fruit.</p>			
<p>Vinous</p> <p>Score:</p>				

DOMAINE PAUL PERNOT (PULIGNY MONTRACHET)	BURGHOUND	INSIDE BURGUNDY	VINOUS	PRICE
REDS				
Volnay 1er Cru 'Carelle Sous la Chapelle'		89		\$56
Burghound Score:				
Inside Burgundy Score: 89	Medium deep purple, some style to this, I cannot quite say elegance but there is a freshness to the raspberry fruit which appeals, with medium plus density behind.			
Vinous Score:				

DOMAINE PAUL PERNOT (PULIGNY MONTRACHET)	BURGHOUND	INSIDE BURGUNDY	VINOUS	PRICE
WHITES				
Bourgogne		87		\$26
Burghound				
Score:				
Inside Burgundy	Pale colour with a light tint. More of the apples on the nose, this builds very attractively on the palate, a leaner style than many, yet with very good persistence.			
Score: 87				
Vinous				
Score:				
Puligny Montrachet		89		\$68
Burghound				
Score:				
Inside Burgundy	Very pleasing fresh crisp apple and citrus with a little more flesh than before, clean white fruit with a little twist of riper apple. Pleasing and quite long.			
Score: 89				
Vinous				
Score:				

Puligny Montrachet 1er Cru 'Chalumaux'			92		On Allocation
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy	Mostly from la Jacquelotte. One of the paler colours but with more floral character on the nose. Then finely chiselled afterwards in the mouth. This is a pretty wine which sadly got frosted out in 2021.				
Score: 92					
Vinous					
Score:					
Puligny Montrachet 1er Cru 'Clos de la Garenne'			91		On Allocation
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy	Very pale, a light nose with some floral character, very stony in the mouth, less flesh than the other Pernot Puligny 1ers Crus, less volume but a pleasing enough carry through.				
Score: 91					
Vinous					
Score:					

Puligny Montrachet 1er Cru 'Pucelles'			91		On Allocation
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy	Clear light bright colour. A nose with some distinction but not much exuberance. A little fruit ripeness then starts to emerge, with a little sucrosity behind, icing sugar on white fruit. Enough acidity, but I am missing the nobility of this potentially great vineyard				
Score: 91					
Vinous					
Score:					
Puligny Montrachet 1er Cru 'Clos des Folatières'			93		On Allocation
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy	A blend of the Pernots' various plots. The colour is pale with a light yellow tint while the bouquet indicates that this is one of the riper wines in the line-up. Plenty of punch, just a little bit of warmth but less than 2019. A minor muscat honeysuckle key, just enough to add to the charm rather than denature.				
Score: 93					
Vinous					
Score:					

Batard Montrachet Grand Cru			92		On Allocation
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy	From the Chassagne side, which Michel Pernot thinks tends to produce the heavier wines. This certainly has power, a little bit less come hither than the Bâtard, with a little meatiness. It seems a bit more powerful in alcohol, has the same toast as the Bienvenues-Bâtard-Montrachet, finishing with a suggestion of eau de vie de poire. On the chunky side.				
Score: 92					
Vinous					
Score:					
Bienvenues Batard Montrachet Grand Cru			95		\$365
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy	Lovely clear pale colour with the lightest lime inflection. The nose is much classier than the Pucelles. This has all that it should, with a little soft oaking, some gentle pear fruit, the barrel now adding a little toast on top. Low but adequate acidity, does not show through the volume of fruit. Very engaging.				
Score: 95					
Vinous					
Score:					

DOMAINE PAUL PILLOT (CHASSAGNE MONTRACHET)	BURGHOUND	INSIDE BURGUNDY	VINOUS	PRICE
REDS				
Bourgogne 'Pinot Noir'				\$26
Burghound				
Score:				
Inside Burgundy				
Score:				
Vinous				
Score:				
Santenay 'Vieilles Vignes'				\$35
Burghound				
Score:				
Inside Burgundy				
Score:				
Vinous				
Score:				

Chassagne Montrachet 'Vieilles Vignes'					\$36
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy					
Score:					
Vinous					
Score:					
Chassagne Montrachet 1er Cru 'Clos Saint Jean'			90-93	85-87	\$76
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy	Rich glowing purple and a supersensual rose plus and raspberry nose. Cherry kernel. Not exaggerated but even so it is rich over and above what Thierry really likes. Striking and delicious though as far as I am concerned.				
Score: 90-93					
Vinous	The 2020 Chassagne Montrachet Clos St Jean 1er Cru (Rouge) has a slightly muted bouquet at the moment. Sultry. The palate is medium-bodied with a fleshy opening, quite sweet and candid, though it is missing a little tension and grip on the finish.				
Score: 85-87					

DOMAINE PAUL PILLOT (CHASSAGNE MONTRACHET)	BURGHOUND	INSIDE BURGUNDY	VINOUS	PRICE
WHITES				
Bourgogne Aligote				\$20
Burghound				
Score:				
Inside Burgundy				
Score:				
Vinous				
Score:				
Bourgogne 'Chardonnay'		87-88	85-87	\$32
Burghound				
Score:				
Inside Burgundy	The vines are below Chassagne and in Remigny. Pale lemon and lime, racy and distinguished fresh fruit. Ripe citrus, juicy, what's not to like. Good length.			
Score: 87-88				
Vinous	The 2020 Bourgogne Blanc has a light grass clipping scented bouquet that needs a little more oomph. The palate is well balanced with fine tension and acidity, citrus peel and orange rind notes on the finish. It's just the aromatics that need to pull their socks up.			
Score: 85-87				

Saint Aubin 1er Cru 'Les Charmois'			90-92	90-92	\$66
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy	Pale lemon and lime, a steelier nose, excellent depth of fruit, racy and with a firm fresh thread despite the richness of the fruit. Excellent backbone to this and more in white pear and apple fruit.				
Score: 90-92					
Vinous	The 2020 Saint-Aubin Le Charmois 1er Cru has a well-defined bouquet with green apple, fern and light crushed rock aromas. The palate is well balanced with a touch of reduction on the entry, good tension, a little short but there is plenty of energy here. Very fine.				
Score: 90-92					
Saint Aubin 1er Cru 'Les Pitangerets'			89-90		\$66
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy	Yellower colour, riper yellow plum fruit, a suggestion of honeysuckle then tightens up. Riper all round with muscat and peach. There is a fresh stony underlay fortunately.				
Score: 89-90					
Vinous					
Score:					

Chassagne Montrachet 1er Cru 'Les Champs Gains'			91-94	89-91	On Allocation
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy	Pale colour, more density, a little more sunshine. Richer on the palate but still with enough structure, plenty of density here				
Score: 91-94					
Vinous	The 2020 Chassagne-Montrachet Les Champs Gains 1er Cru feels a little more backward compared to the Les Mazures at the moment. The palate is well balanced with orange rind and mandarin on the entry, quite compact and just missing a little flair on the finish.				
Score: 89-91					
Chassagne Montrachet 1er Cru 'Clos Saint Jean'			92-94	92-94	\$110
Burghound					
Score:					
Inside Burgundy	Lemon and lime, a little mote tension and less evidently sunny than Champgains, lovely plush lemon and plum fruit, generous and easy-going.				
Score: 92-94					
Vinous	The 2020 Chassagne-Montrachet Clos Saint-Jean 1er Cru has a detailed and generous bouquet with lemon thyme, fern and light earthy scents. The palate is well balanced, concentrated and focused, a fine bead of acidity here with plenty of depth on the finish. Excellent!				
Score: 92-94					

Chassagne Montrachet 1er Cru 'Les Caillerets'		94-96	On Allocation
Burghound Score:			
Inside Burgundy Score: 94-96	In barrel, unracked. Excellent mid lemon colour. Lively, more in fruit than reduction, the classic steely backbone, then signs of ripeness come up at the back, a light honeysuckle. This is very long and fine and will make a complex bottle with excellent texture, perhaps from the elevage.		
Vinous Score:			

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