



2014 Burgundy

Succulent, Transparent & Easy-drinking

Despite Mother Nature's various taunts, the 2014 Burgundy vintage has many vignerons, critics and Burgundy drinkers clicking their heels in excitement and anticipation. The winter that kicked off the vintage never really came. First it was wet, then dry, but rarely cold. A warm March brought early vegetation followed by a mild April leading to fears of frost during a cool May. Fortunately, the heavy winds that persisted throughout the spring blew north to south, but never west, thus avoiding the risky humidity the western winds can deliver. A stretch of hot weather in June ensured a rapid and successful flowering, and as the month progressed, spirits rose throughout the Côte d'Or. However, optimism was short-lived as the heavy clouds of June 28th brought hail once again to the villages of Meursault, Volnay, Pommard and Beaune. Various vineyards were spared by the attack, but the damage was done. Thankfully, no more serious storms plagued the region and the vines were treated to a sunny September, resulting in rapidly ripening berries, the first of which were harvested the second week of September.



Yields were, once again, dramatically down in hail-damaged areas between Meursault and Beaune. Otherwise, production numbers inched closer to "normal" levels in the rest of the region. The 2014 Côte de Nuits reds are fleshy and ripe with striking terroir transparency and vibrant floral and mineral notes. Compared to their 2013 counterparts, they have a bit more texture and weight. Flavors are red fruit dominant (cranberry, pomegranate) and many wines are laced with lovely spice notes. The best reds from the Côte de Beaune, particularly from smaller crops, are concentrated and display a darker profile. The 2014 whites are highlighted by the gorgeous natural balance of fruit and acidity. Some growers have

even said that the '14 whites are the best and most complete wines in a generation. Overall, most have higher acid levels than their 2013 counterparts, but they are considerably more concentrated due to high skin to juice ratio, resulting in an ideal combination of richness and freshness. The 2014 vintage is replete with wines that will provide great pleasure in their youth as well as bottles that are destined for greatness after a long rest in the cellar.

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On the Vintage:

"While it is true that the 2014 vintage is user-friendly in that in many cases the wines will be accessible young, I believe that it is also true that they are going to age extremely well. There is a beguiling freshness coupled with first-rate drinkability that makes the 2014s extremely pleasurable."

Allen Meadows, Burghound

"Two thousand fourteen is a delicious, mid-weight vintage with alluring fruit, juicy supporting acidity, expressive terroir character, supple tannins and considerable early appeal. Best of all, the wines display an attractive natural balance and elegance, and should offer at least medium-term ageability."

Antonio Galloni, Vinous Media

"Overall we appear to be set for a fine vintage for red Burgundy with delicious, fruit-forward wines suited to medium term drinking, and a truly beautiful vintage for white wines, the most consistent for decades."

Jasper Morris, author of Inside Burgundy

BH=Burghound (Allen Meadows)

AG=Antonio Galloni

VC=View from the Cellar (John Gilman)

WA=Wine Advocate

*All cases are 12/750 ml unless otherwise noted.

Ballot Millot - June/September Arrival

Charles Ballot is among the rising stars in the soaring appellation of Meursault. He took over for his father in 2001 and like many talented young vignerons, he wanted to raise the bar and leave his mark on the family domaine. The historic estate has held vineyards in Meursault since the end of the 17th century and they are privileged to possess holdings in five Premier Crus, many of which have very old vines. Charles began his transition to the helm by working the soils, reducing yields, and moving from chemical/systemic treatments to more natural ones. The wines are all destemmed with gentle extractions and relatively short cuvaisons. New wood is judicious, 10-20% on whites and a max of 25-30% new on reds, and everything in the cellar is about precision. The resulting wines tend toward the so-called "Roulot-school" of Meursault, more tensile and racy, as opposed to the fatter, honeyed and nutty style wines that dominated the landscape 20-30 years ago. There is excellent delineation of the different terroirs, and on the red side, we were thrilled to discover graceful expressions of these often more "four square" appellations.

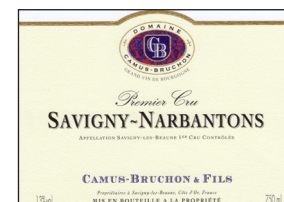
Item Code	Description	Frontline	Discounts
FML110	Bourgogne Blanc 2014	\$240	228/5
FML111	Meursault 2014	\$496	480/5
FML112	Meursault Les Criots [lieu-dit] 2014	\$540	
FML113	Meursault Les Narvaux [lieu-dit] 2014	\$560	
FML115	Meursault Charmes 1er Cru 2014	\$899	
FML114	Meursault Genevrières 1er Cru 2014	\$899	
FML116	Meursault Perrières 1er Cru 2014	\$949	
FML117	Bourgogne Passetoutgrain 2014	\$180	160/5
FML118	Meursault Rouge 2014	\$440	420/5
FML119	Volnay Santenots 1er Cru 2014	\$520	
FML120	Volnay Santenots 1er Cru 2014 (12/375)	\$296	



Camus-Bruchon - October Arrival

Lucien Camus is one of the very finest red winemakers in the Côte de Beaune. Located in the village of Savigny-les-Beaune, just to the north of Beaune proper, he fashions beautifully balanced, deep and complex wines that are the epitome of what great Burgundy is all about. Lucien's son Guillaume now holds the reigns and like his father and so many of the very best producers in Burgundy, it is very clear that he spends the lion's share of his time out in the vineyards tending his vines. There is a notably high percentage of very old vines in the Camus-Bruchon portfolio, and from these venerable vines give some of the classiest examples of Savigny-les-Beaune. Camus recently started using partial whole cluster on his various Savigny cuvées with remarkable results. The 2014s are an absolute triumph, highlighted by the Grands Liards and Narbontons, which Burghound selected as "Top Value" wines from the vintage.

Item Code	Description	Frontline	Discounts	Scores
FCR275	Bourgogne Rouge 2014	\$208	192/5	86 BH
FCR276	Chorey-les-Beaune Rouge 2014	\$256	240/5	87 BH
FCR277	Savigny-les-Beaune Cuvée Reine Joly 2014	\$280	264/5, 256/10	88 BH
FCR278	Savigny-les-Beaune Pimentiers VV 2014	\$320	308/5	88 BH
FCR279	Savigny-les-Beaune Aux Grands Liards 2014	\$336	320/5	89 BH
FCR280	Savigny-les-Beaune Gravains 1er Cru 2014	\$380	360/5	89 BH
FCR281	Savigny-les-Beaune Lavières 1er Cru 2014	\$380	360/5	90 BH
FCR282	Savigny-les-Beaune Narbontons 1er Cru 2014	\$420		91 BH
FCR283	Beaune Clos du Roi 1er Cru 2014	\$420		89 BH



Duroché - In Stock/Balance in September

The young Pierre Duroché took the reigns from his father in '05 and has really elevated the wines at this fine estate. The 8.25 ha, all in the village/appellation of Gevrey-Chambertin, includes an array of impressive holdings that range from Bourgogne Rouge and Gevrey-Villages up to Grand Cru crown jewels of Charmes, Griottes, Latricieres and Clos de Beze. The style here is about understated power and elegance with fine-grained tannins and an earthy, briny, mineral core that is a hallmark of the Gevrey terroir. The wines are forward enough to drink well on release, but also have the requisite structure to age. Burghound selected Le Clos and Aux Etelois as "Top Value" wines for the 2014 vintage, and Lavaut St Jacques 1er Cru is among the coveted "sweet spot" wines.

Item Code	Description	Frontline	Discounts	Scores
FDC030	Bourgogne Blanc 2014	\$200	192/5, 184/10	
FDC031	Bourgogne Rouge 2014	\$208	200/5, 192/10	86-88 BH
FDC032	Gevrey-Chambertin Champ lieu-dit 2014	\$480	449/5, 420/10	88-91 BH
FDC033	Gevrey-Chambertin Champ lieu-dit 2014 (12/375)	\$240		88-91 BH
FDC035	Gevrey-Chambertin Le Clos lieu-dit 2014	\$480	440/5	89-91 BH
FDC036	Gevrey-Chambertin Lavaut St. Jacques 1er Cru 2014	\$740		91-94 BH
FDC037	Gevrey-Chambertin Lavaut St. Jacques 1er Cru 2014 (12/375)	\$396		91-94 BH



Jean-Philippe Fichet - May Arrival

Fichet's methods reflect his philosophy: he is famously meticulous and abhors taking short cuts. His low yields, the foremost key to quality, are achieved through severe winter pruning rather than by green harvesting. And he believes the expressiveness of his wines is enhanced through a patient 18 month élevage, with no new oak starting in 2010, and as usual, minimal lees stirring. Jean-Philippe's wines in 2014 are racy with vibrant acids and minerals buried in a core of fruit.

Item Code	Description	Frontline	Discount	Scores
FFC114	Bourgogne Blanc 2014	\$264	256/5	
FFC115	Bourgogne Blanc VV 2014	\$328	312/5	
FFC116	Auxey-Duresses Blanc 2014	\$396		(88-91) VM
FFC123	Chassagne-Montrachet 2014	\$540	520/5	
FFC117	Meursault Blanc 2014	\$599		
FFC118	Meursault Blanc 2014 (12/375)	\$328		
FFC119	Meursault Blanc 2014 (6/1.5L)	\$599		
FFC121	Meursault Chevalieres lieu-dit 2014	\$799		(92-94) VM
FFC120	Meursault Gruyaches lieu-dit 2014	\$749		(91-93) VM
FFC122	Meursault Tesson lieu-dit 2014	\$849		(91-94) VM
FFC124	Puligny Montrachet Referts 1er Cru 2014	\$1,149		(90-93) VM



Fontaine-Gagnard - May Arrival

This famous domaine of almost 20 acres, based primarily in Chassagne-Montrachet, was established in 1985 when Gagnard-Delagrangé separated into two estates. The wines are made by Richard Fontaine, one of the most exacting vignerons in all of Chassagne, and his daughter Céline, who shares his intensely focused approach. They apply traditional methods and the cleanest possible techniques, including a restrained use of new oak to emphasize the unique qualities of the individual terroirs.

Item Code	Description	Frontline	Discounts	Scores
FFG161	Bourgogne Blanc 2014 (12/750)	\$300	288/5	
FFG162	Chassagne-Montrachet 2014 (12/750)	\$549		
FFG163	Chassagne-Montrachet 2014 (12/375)	\$296		88 BH
FFG166	Chassagne Boudriotte 1er Cru 2014 (12/750)	\$699		(89-92) VM
FFG165	Chassagne Clos St Jean 1er Cru 2014 (12/750)	\$699		90 BH; (91-93) VM
FFG170	Chassagne Maltroie 1er Cru 2014 (12/750)	\$699		(89-92) VM
FFG167	Chassagne Morgeot 1er Cru 2014 (12/750)	\$699		89 BH
FFG168	Chassagne Vergers 1er Cru 2014 (12/750)	\$699		(88-91) VM
FFG169	Chassagne Vergers 1er Cru 2014 (12/375)	\$396		(88-91) VM
FFG164	Chassagne Caillerets 1er Cru 2014 (12/750)	\$899		(92-95) VM
FFG171	Chassagne Romanée 1er Cru 2014 (12/750)	\$1,099		(91-94) VM
FFG175	Bourgogne Passetoutgrain Rouge 2014 (12/750)	\$200	184/5	
FFG176	Bourgogne Rouge 2014 (12/750)	\$240	228/5	87 BH
FFG177	Volnay Clos des Chênes 1er Cru 2014 (12/750)	\$720		89 BH



Jean-Hughes et Ghislaine Goisot - In Stock

Saint-Bris is located just outside of Chablis, but shares the same Kimmeridgian limestone soils as its neighbor. Goisot's viticulture is certified biodynamic with great pains taken to produce as natural an environment as possible for the vines. Yields are also kept very low, resulting in a bevy of beautifully-made, chiseled wines. This estate has a very strong following in France and offers absolutely brilliant price-quality rapport.

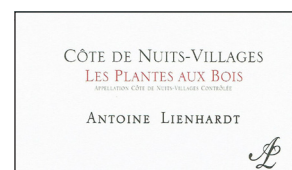
Item Code	Description	Frontline	Discounts	Scores
FGO064	Bourgogne Aligoté 2014	\$144	136/5	89 WA
FGO066	Exogyra Virgula Sauvignon de Saint-Bris 2014	\$172	160/5, 156/10	88 WA



Antoine Lienhardt - May/July Arrival

Finding Burgundies that over deliver for their price has become a next to impossible feat. But there are still treasures to be discovered if you travel a bit off the beaten path, which is where we found Antoine Lienhardt. He is clearly a rising star and humble overachiever in the appellation of Côte-de-Nuits-Villages and Nuits-Saint-Georges. Like any accomplished Burgundian, this young dynamo knows that the key to great wines begins in the vineyards. Lienhardt feels that the vineyards of Comblanchien are hugely undervalued and that if they were to ever re-classify the hierarchy of Burgundy, there would most certainly be Premier Cru if not Grand Cru vineyards amongst the village's choicest sectors. Both Lienhardt cuvées drink well beyond their humble appellations. The "Plantes aux Bois" tends to be a bit more red fruited and floral, while the "Essards" is slightly darker with mineral undertones. For both wines, there is a drive and energy that commands your attention immediately and will keep you coming back for more.

Item Code	Description	Frontline	Discounts
FLI006	Bourgogne Aligoté 2014	\$220	200/5
FLI007	Bourgogne Chardonnay 2014	\$264	240/5
FLI008	Cote de Nuits-Villages Les Essards [lieu dit] 2014	\$320	296/5
FLI009	Cote de Nuits-Villages Les Plantes Aux Bois [lieu dit] 2014	\$320	296/5
FLI010	Nuits Saint Georges 2014	\$449	



Lucien Muzard - June Arrival

The newest addition to our Burgundy portfolio, Domaine Lucien Muzard is run by the dedicated duo of Claude and Hervé Muzard, brothers and the ninth generation to manage the family estate, which traces its lineage back to 1666. The village of Santenay is both home and the core of their vineyard holdings, but neighboring villages of Maranges, Puligny and Meursault are also found in the cellar. In the vineyards they allow grass to grow between rows and they have farmed organically since the 2005 vintage. All fruit is hand-harvested, sorted and mostly destemmed but they have recently been experimenting with whole cluster fermentation as well as the addition of large foudres as ageing vessels, which were uniquely present in the village during their grandparents' generation. The village has a reputation for being more "rustic", but Muzard's Santenays tend toward the elegant end of the spectrum, highlighted by crunchy red fruit. The white wines are aromatic, energetic and like their red counterparts, excellent values across the board.

Item Code	Description	Frontline	Discounts
FMZ006	Santenay Champs Claude Blanc 2014	\$264	240/5
FMZ005	Meursault Les Meix Chavaux 2014	\$440	
FMZ001	Bourgogne Rouge 2014	\$180	168/5, 160/10
FMZ002	Maranges 2014	\$224	208/5
FMZ003	Santenay VV 2014	\$240	228/5
FMZ004	Santenay Maladière 1er Cru 2014	\$320	308/5



Gilbert Picq - June Arrival

Didier Picq crafts classic Chablis with an inimitable expression of minerality, racy acidity and the depth that comes with low yields, meticulous winemaking and fine parcels of vines. All the wines are fermented with natural yeasts and raised in stainless steel to protect the underlying expression of terroir. Picq's wines are highly regarded for their striking transparency, chalky minerality, graceful ageing and excellent pricing. These are absolutely stunning values!

Item Code	Description	Frontline	Discounts	Scores
FPI103	Chablis Dessus la Carrière 2014	\$240		90-92 WA; (90-93) VM
FPI104	Chablis Dessus la Carrière 2014 (6/1.5L)	\$240		90-92 WA
FPI101	Chablis Vosgros 1er Cru 2014 (12/750)	\$308		91-93 WA; (88-91?) VM



Isabelle & Denis Pommier - In Stock/Balance in May

Isabelle and Denis Pommier have grown their Poinchy estate from two to 16 hectares since they first began bottling in 1994. Their village vineyards and 1er Cru holdings of Beauroy, Cote de Lechet, and Fourchaume are mostly certified organic or else in organic conversion. The wines have a vibrancy and complexity that comes with meticulous work in the vineyards and delicate handling in the cellar. The style is powerful and textured, but with racy, citrusy, floral tones, lovely minerality, and good cut. Don't miss the delightful and unique Bourgogne Rouge from vineyards near Chitry - delicate and floral.

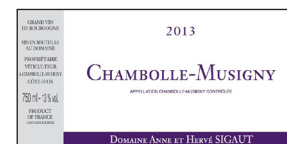
Item Code	Description	Frontline	Discounts
FPM033	Bourgogne Rouge 2014	\$192	184/5, 176/10
FPM025	Petit Chablis 2014	\$168	152/5
FPM026	Chablis 2014	\$192	180/5, 168/10
FPM028	Chablis Croix aux Moines [lieu-dit] 2014	\$240	224/5
FPM031	Chablis Cote de Lechet 1er Cru 2014	\$296	280/5
FPM029	Chablis Troesmes [Beauroy] 1er Cru 2014	\$280	264/5
FPM032	Chablis Fourchaume 1er Cru 2014	\$308	
FPM034	Chablis Fourchaume 1er Cru 2014 (12/375)	\$168	



Anne & Hervé Sigaut - October Arrival

This relatively small 7 hectares estate has been in existence for four generations. It is run by the amiable couple, Anne and Hervé Sigaut who are wonderful, low-key folks, true people of the earth. Like their understated personalities and attitudes, the Sigauts prefer to make wines on the fine and delicate side, that caress rather than clobber. They are helped by a bevy of old vines, many 50-60+ years old, that have long ago tapped the mother rock of limestone that is the signature of the village. If you love "true" Chambolle - as we do - you will fall in love with these wines.

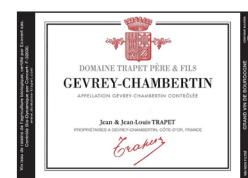
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FSG034	Chambolle-Musigny 2014 (12/375)	\$256		
FSG033	Chambolle-Musigny 2014	\$460	440/5	
FSG035	Chambolle-Musigny Derriere le Four 2014	\$480		87-89 BH
FSG037	Chambolle-Musigny Les Bussièrès VV 2014 (12/375)	\$280		88-91 BH
FSG036	Chambolle-Musigny Les Bussièrès VV 2014	\$540	520/5	88-91 BH
FSG040	Chambolle-Musigny Les Chatelots 1er Cru 2014	\$680		89-91 BH
FSG038	Chambolle-Musigny Les Fuées 1er Cru 2014	\$680		89-92 BH
FSG041	Chambolle-Musigny Les Noirot 1er Cru 2014	\$680		90-92 BH
FSG042	Chambolle-Musigny Les Sentiers VV 1er Cru 2014	\$720		90-93 BH
FSG043	Chambolle-Musigny Les Sentiers VV 1er Cru 2014 (6/1.5L)	\$749		90-93 BH



Trapet Père et Fils - May/October Arrival

This venerable, classic estate in Gevrey-Chambertin is also one of the leading proponents of Biodynamic viticulture in Burgundy. They are revered for making beautiful, traditional, mineral, balanced, terroir-driven wines that age magnificently, but are also approachable when young. This icon has done it again in 2014...Gevrey power and grace up and down the lineup.

Item Code	Description	Frontline	Discounts	Score
FTR380	Bourgogne Passetoutgrains A Minima 2014	\$196	184/5	85-88 BH
FTR381	Bourgogne Rouge 2014	\$256	240/5	
FTR382	Marsannay Rouge 2014	\$320		86-89 BH
FTR383	Gevrey-Chambertin 2014	\$564	540/5	88-91 BH
FTR384	Gevrey-Chambertin Capita 1er Cru 2014	\$1,099		90-92 BH
FTR389	Gevrey-Chambertin Ostrea 2014 (6/1.5L)	\$720		89-91 BH
FTR387	Chambertin GC 2014	\$2,699		92-95 BH
FTR388	Chambertin GC 2014 (6/1.5L)	\$2,899		92-95 BH



And for a few late release 2013s...

Confuron-Cotetidot - In Stock

The terms "old school" and "traditional" are tossed around in many appellations (N. Rhone, Barolo, etc), but less so these days it seems in Burgundy. The Confuron family have been vigneron since the 17th century during the reign of Louis XIV. Their specialty was and continues to be vine selection and propagation, leading the way in identifying top selections massales, which earned them a Pinot Noir clone in their name: Pinot Confuron. Today, Yves Confuron, with the help of his brother Jack, crafts village level wines from four villages in the Côte de Nuits, along with an impressive array of premier cru and grand crus, including the famed Vosne Suchots (they are one of the largest holders), Echezeaux, Clos Vougeot, and tiny plots of Charmes Chambertin and Mazis Chambertin. Their parents Jacky and Bernadette work the vines as they dutifully have for over fifty years. The vineyards, averaging 65 years of age, have never been treated with synthetic herbicides or pesticides and great attention is taken to minimize yields through regular plowing, short pruning and green harvesting in the spring. Yves follows his family tradition of 100% whole-cluster fermentation, followed by long cuvaison and extended barrel ageing of up to two years. The wines are bottled unfiltered and unfiltered, and they are deep, earthy and soulful.

Item Code	Description	Frontline	Discounts	Score
FCC007	Nuits Saint Georges 2013	\$520		(88-91) VM
FCC008	Nuits Saint Georges Les Vignes Rondes 1er Cru 2013	\$1,099		(89-92) VM
FCC009	Gevrey-Chambertin Craipillot 1er Cru 2013	\$899		(90-93) VM
FCC014	Vosne Romanée 2013 (6/1.5L)	\$540		(87-90) VM
FCC006	Vosne Romanée Les Suchots 1er Cru 2013	\$1,199		(91-94) VM



Michel Gaunoux - May Arrival

Top-notch Pommard is one of the most cellar-worthy and brilliant wines in the Côte de Beaune, and no domaine in the village makes greater Pommard than that of Domaine Michel Gaunoux. Domaine Michel Gaunoux, first started in 1885 by Alexandre Gaunoux, has a long, enviable track record for producing brilliant Pommards (not to mention superb Cortons and Beaunes), that age gracefully and develop complexity as profound as all but the very top handful of grand cru terroirs of the Côte de Nuits. Given the legacy of great wines this estate has produced over the course of the last hundred and twenty years, it is remarkable that the wines of Michel Gaunoux are not better known, but the domaine prefers to keep a low profile while continuing to turn out their interpretation of great traditional Burgundy. But make no mistake, this is one of the greatest red wine estates in all of Burgundy.

Item Code	Description	Frontline	Discounts	Score
FGU072	Pommard Grands Epenots 1er Cru 2013	\$1,099		93 JG
FGU071	Pommard Rugiens Bas 1er Cru 2013	\$1,149		91 BH; 94 JG
FGU073	Corton Renardes GC 2013	\$1,149		91 BH; 94+ JG

