

Burgundy-Report

Boursot Père et Fils – 2017

Tasted in Gilly-lès-Citeaux with Romaric and Romuald Boursot, 03 December 2018.

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Romaric and Romuald on 2018:

"2018 was complicated, mainly because of the dryness, one of the first vintages seen for a while with a wide variation in maturity. We started our harvest but then had to pause for three days for the maturity in the rest of the vines to catch up. We started with Gevrey and Volnay, Chambolle was a week later. Of-course the quality and quantity is there, but we had to wait. Some people harvested earlier and they lacked some juice..."

Romaric and Romuald on 2017:

You know, it's a long time since we saw so many grapes – it won't bring back the 70% lost in 2016 though. It was a good season but it was important not to harvest too early or the wines would have lacked maturity and depth. We had more juice in 2018 but perhaps also more concentration despite that. We're very happy that we lack no concentration. The white was bottled in August and the reds in October.



The wines...

Simply a really great set of wines – all dark coloured, all dark fruited, but all very different from one another. Highly recommended in their clean, no whole cluster, slightly dark oaked style – but not spicy or vanilla oak – and that oak won't hang around for very long. Super!

No whole clusters in 2017 some tests in 2018, with 20-30%.

2017 Bourgogne Chardonnay

From bottom of Puligny – 'The Côte d'Or label has no visibility yet – PTG still has more visibility than Côteaux Bourguinone for example.' 300 little barrels used here.

Bright but a depth of fresh concentration too. Round, but a good blend of volume and fresh, citrus-inflected flavour. Bitters in the finish make this a more than simple Bourgogne. Good stuff.

2017 Bourgogne Pinot Noir

Good colour – vines at the bottom of Pommard. This with some old barrels and a part in stainless-steel.

Depth and spicy dark fruit. Ooh – that's good – deep, plenty of concentration – ripe fruit touched by a little tannin. Simply a Bourgogne that leaves you wanting nothing for the label. Bravo.

2017 Côte de Nuits Villages Les Retraits

Vines next to Clos de Marechale in Corgoloin. In a good year, 12 barrels

Lots of depth – dark fruit that hints at a bit of tannin too – let's see. Hmm, actually a much finer texture, mouth-filling with great fruit – a little redder than the Bourgogne. Simply delicious.

2017 Volnay Les Combes

Deep colour again. Depth of aroma again, less width, a little touch of herb above. Big, open, lots of flavour intensity – here's a touch more tannin with a slight grain but no astringency. Finishes with juicy fruit and small waves of length. Each wine delicious, each wine rather different.

2017 Volnay Les Grands Poisots

Deep, dark – the merest suggestion of a little dark oak in the mix. Big, mouth-filling flavour, juicy a hint of barrel showing here but not with any excess. Concentrated and delicious finishing. Wait a little longer for this one...

2017 Chambolle-Musigny Les Nazoires

Plenty of colour – as all the wines here. A dark nose but with a good and interesting high-toned complexity. Ooh, that's good – supple, great texture, a little floral complexity too. Bravo – simply a beauty.

2017 Gevrey-Chambertin

A single parcel, but covering two climats – only 3 barrels worth.

Deep, dark, spiced – possibly more from wood than the place, but it's nicely done. A little smoky barrel with the fruit but very fine texture. This is has a fine mid to finishing perspective and has nice layers of finishing flavour. Very tasty wine.

2017 Vosne-Romanée

In the corner of Clos de Vougeot and Grands Echézeaux.

Hmm – a very fine and elegant fruit-flower nose here – no overt barrique. Supple, well-concentrated wine, a touch saline, wide and mobile. Cushioned, delicious wine.

2017 Chambolle-Musigny 1er les Chatelots

A big nose, deep, slightly fumé from the oak. Ooh – this winds around the palate with supple, fine textured concentration – yes there's some oak here but a very fine sucrosity from the fruit too. Contemplative, concentrated and importantly, like all, completely delicious.

2017 Chambolle-Musigny 1er Les Fuées Vieilles-Vignes

Deep colour once more. A nose of impressive concentration – almost a little tight – just little notes and references escape the glass here and there. Once more, supple, weighted, balanced but impressively concentrated. Long, long, long...