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2017 VINTAGE

Score: 17.5/20 – Guide des Meilleurs Vins de France, RVF 2020

Score: 17/20 – Guide des vins Bettane & Desseauve 2020

Score: 17/20 – Bourgogne aujourd'hui – Mar. 2019

Score: 91-94/100 - Burghound - Apr. 2019

Score: 17+/20 - Jancis Robinson - Dec. 2018

Score: 19/20 - The Burgundy Briefing - Jun. Aug. Nov. 2018

2012 VINTAGE

"The grapes are sourced from François Labet, the famous Château de la tour. It would have been quite interesting to compare the two Clos de Vougeot. This wine displays aromas of a spellbinding elegance: red and black berries, leather and spices. It needs some time to open up and the wine is still quite closed. On the palate it is expressive, complex with finely grained tannins whose strength comes out slowly. It still needs several months of ageing and a combination of its various components to allow this wine to become accessible. As for all the great Clos de Vougeot, it will need time to develop."

Score: 17.5+/20 - Jean François Guyard - Domaine Chanson Père & Fils - Auf der Suche nach Exzellenz – May. 27, 2015

2011 VINTAGE

"Smoky aroma with hints of liquorice and tar. Very smoky on the palate too. Plenty of tannins and good acidity. There is depth here, but not massive intensity. It is not too broad, scope yes, but contained. It is a good, but not great Clos Vougeot if there is such a thing. From 2018."

Score: 18.5/20 Sarah Marsh - Dec. 2012

"Deep structure for this wine which has been vinified in whole bunches. Ripe and mature fruit but without excess. At this stage, density prevails against elegance." Great Success La Revue du Vin de France – Jun. 2012

2010 VINTAGE

"Attractive and pure nose, with cherry aromas. Exceptionally rich and elegant aromatic bouquet through delicate grilled, tar, and spicy notes, mixing subtlety and seduction. Round, this wine is perfectly balanced with a precised acidity. Complex, long finish. What an enchantment!"

Score: 19/20 Revista de vinhos - Portugal – Oct. 2014

"Very nice liqueur on the nose, this wine has completed its malolactic fermentation. The palate reveals a good tannic structure. Minerality is highlighted in this impressively broad shouldered Clos-Vougeot."

Score: 17/20 La Revue du Vin de France – Jun. 2011

"Solid crimson. Light but spicy, ripe nose. Lots of fruit breadth on the front palate. Lightly bitter finish. Very vital.Lively but it may not stand out in a crowd because it is not especially emphatic. Long."

Score 17+/20 Jancis Robinson – Feb. 2012

"As one might reasonably expect this is taciturn and almost mute and only aggressive swirling coaxes the earthly red and black pinot fruit aromas to emerge. The round and supple yet well-defined medium weight flavors possess good power and punch along with a suave mouth feel and the moderately firm finish is less austere than is typical. As Clos de Vougeot goes, this a really rather foward and accessible. 2018+"

Score 89-91/100 Burghound – Apr. 2012

"Floral spice with lifted purple highlights and a slightly exotic edge. This sweeps broadly across the palate. It has breath, vibrancy, purity and good intensity on the finish. It's a decent Clos Vougeot. Plenty of personality. From 2017"

Score: 18.25/20 Sarah Marsh - Burgundy Briefing – Nov. 2011

2009 VINTAGE

"Dark cherry with a woody, foresty complexity. Lush and very well made with balanced sweet fruit. The oak is integrated nicely and it is fresh on the palate with enough acidity."

Score: 91/100 Cru - May. 2013

"This is a ripe Pinot Noir, with a firm and solid structure and a very dense character. It has concentration and a great depth of flavor; the black fruits and tannins cut into the heart of the wine. Age for at least seven years."

Score: 94/100 Wine Enthusiast - Nov. 2012

"A deft touch of wood sets off a similar earthy red berry fruit nose in the sense that it is reserved to the point of being mute. The equally earthy and broad-scaled flavors possess excellent volume and the tannins are fully ripe and are buffered by an abundance of dry extract, all wrapped in a hugely long and mouth coating finish. Like the Clos de Beze, this is unabashedly built to age and will need all of 20 years to arrive at its peak. In a word, terrific. "

Score: 92-94/100 Burghound – Apr. 2011

Dark cherry red. Savoury, lightly smoky dark fruit. Sweetness of oak spice shows in the dark fruit. Taut and upright and fresh on the palate. Very fine-grained but dense too. A light and friendly grip.

Score: 17.5/20 Burgundy 2009 - Review By Julia Harding MW

2008 VINTAGE

Very dense wine, its tannins solid and concentrated. The structure is the leader here, with the young fruit showing through at black plum skins and crushed strawberries. This is a firmly tannic wine, needing aging.

Score: 94/100 - Wine Enthusiast - Jul. 2011

"Still tight and austere, with tannins that are dense for the vintage, this red is nonetheless concentrated, offering saturated flavors of black cherry, blackberry and spice. A touch of mineral shows up on the long, staining aftertaste."

Score: 93/100 - Wine Spectator - Jun. 2011

2007 VINTAGE

«Very seductive on the nose. Aromas of very ripe berries. Delicious mouthfeel on the fruit outbalanced by square-edged tannins. » Weinwelt – Nov. 2010

« A Clos de Vougeot well-balanced, fresh and fine. It shows itself rather serious and a little closed today but its potential of guard makes not enough doubt. » Score: 15/20 Bourgogne Aujourd'hui – Déc. 2009 – Jan. 2010

«Great wine, absolutely typical of the Clos, with a hint of mint on the nose and a body that is beautifully balanced for the year. »

Score: 18/20 Le Grand Guide des Grands Vins de France Bettane + Dessauve – 2010

2006 VINTAGE

«Expressive and pleasant nose with persistent fruit. The palate displays a balance between richness and masculine tannins. The aftertaste is quite short. » ***

- Winter 2008 - 2009

Score: 17,5/20 - Le Guide de Reference de la Revue du Vin de France - 2009

2005 VINTAGE

« Dense, yet elegant and pure. Blackberry, cherry, mineral and spice aromas and flavors stain the palate and persist through the lingering finish. The aftertaste is long and focused, a sure sign of good things to come. »

Score 93/100 - Wine Spectator – May. 31, 2008

« This also displays notes of sour cherry, cranberry and earth and game hints that merge into round, sweet and nicely precise flavors that finish with youthful asperity and relatively fine tannins. Have the depth of the great examples and is certainly nothing, neither is it a head turner. In sum, solid but no really distinguished. "Burghound.com – Oct. 2007

« Spices, clove, powerful, vigorous, tannic wine from clay soils with a tight and dense structure, with resin on the finish. » Le Point – Mar. 2007

« Powerful, tight, dense start, very beautiful structure. A most complete wine.» La Revue du Vin de France – Jun. 2006

2004 VINTAGE

« Although it's crafted in a lodern, fruit-forward style, this wine also manages to preserve the proper structure for this Grand Cru vineyard. The fruits are fresh and delicious, with velvet enveloping the firm tanins. The effect is of a very direct wine, perhaps leaving little for the future but very good now. » Wine Enthusiast – Mar. 2007

2003 VINTAGE

« Shy aromas of cherry, dried tobacco, cedar shavings and violets. Round, supple flavors of rhubarb, raspberry and warm menthol. Lasting close has the chewiness of licorice. » Wine News – Oct. Nov. 2006

« This combines power and finesse. Black cherry, cassis and chocolate are the flavor themes, with spice and mineral accents. This is a supple, yet with a rear guard

of firm tannins. The flavors continue to evolve and the lasting impression is sweet fruit. Best from 2009 through 2025.»

Score: 93/100 - Wine Spectator - May. 2006

2002 VINTAGE

« Deep purple with violet tinges, it is still very closed on the nose. This wine is a little bit monolithic as the storeroom pillars of the castle. It develops aromas of chocolate and blueberry. It will be more open in few time. This wine is quite severe but it presents a nice length on the finish with smooth tannins. Will be an excellent wine! » Le Guide Hachette des Vins – 2005

« Modern toasty wood dominates the wine, with concentrated black fruits and big tannins. This needs time to blend the wood and the black fruits, but should be great. »

Score: 92/100 Wine Enthusiast - Sep. 2004

