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An exceptional collection of top mature Burgundy including Ponsot Clos de La Roche, Mugnier Musigny & Rousseau Chambertin from some of the greatest vintages of the last 20 years. The auction also features some star wines from other regions, notably Chave Hermitage 1990, La Chapelle 1990, Dom Perignon 1988, Latour 1961 & multiple lots from Egon Muller.

The majority of the bottles come from an impeccable single owner cellar where they have been lying since purchase on release. Such provenance for wines of this calibre (often being heavily traded) is very rare.

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All wines are offered by online auction commencing 21st May.

3848. Ponsot Clos de la Roche V.V 1985

(http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/3848)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level: 1.5cm Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: A truly spectacular nose of earth, cassis, underbrush and explosive, sexy, utterly seductive black fruit aromas lead to dense, concentrated, sappy and entirely pure flavors of incredible complexity, depth and length. This is wonderfully impressive though even from this format I would be inclined to drink this sooner than later to preserve the fruit as there is just a hint of acidity poking through on the finish. That said, this remains a genuinely great wine of reference standard caliber. Multiple and consistent notes save for one magnum that displayed noticeable brett. 95pts

Alan Meadows, Burghound

£-.

3849. Pommard Rugiens 1988, De Montille

(http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/3849)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level: 1.5cm Tax status: Duty Paid

Estimate: £70

3850. Clos St Denis 1988, Dujac (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/3850)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level: 2cm

Tax status: Duty Paid

In contrast to most examples of Clos St. Denis with more than 10 years of age, the '88 Dujac exhibits intense dried rose petal notes in the manner of a fine Vosne grand cru and again in contrast to most '88s, here the tannins are completely resolved and this is sappy, mouth

coating and sweet on the long finish. A really lovely '88 that offers plenty to admire. 90pts

Alan Meadows, Burghound £-.

3851. Volnay Clos des Ducs 1988, D'Angerville

(http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/3851)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level: 2cm

Tax status: Duty Paid

Strong cigarette ash nose that smells completely out of place in this line up. Otherwise, there is good density and ripe tannins that avoid any astringency with good if not special length. Even if one can make peace with the nose however, the 88 seems to lack the same detail and precision that most of these wines display in such abundance. While there is clearly good underlying material, I just can't get past the nose. 85pts

Alan Meadows, Burghound £-.

3852. **Musigny 1988, Mugnier** (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/3852)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level: 2cm

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: This remains completely unevolved and backward with wonderfully intense, quite primary fruit and excellent spice notes. Though the flavors are reserved, they are rich and beautifully precise with an elegance and length only matched by the Roumier. This is still not close to ready.

Tasted: Apr 01, 2001 Score: 92 Drink: 2008-12

Tasting note: This remains rather unevolved for the vintage with only nuances of wonderfully intense mix of earth, game and spice notes on the still fresh fruit nose followed by reserved, rich and beautifully precise medium full flavors that possess unusual elegance compared to the usual somber and rustic character of most '88s at this stage of their development. I quite like this and it is still on its way up.

Tasted: Jul 01, 2005 Score: 92 Drink: 2010+

Alan Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £300

3853. Clos de Vougeot 1989, Meo-Camuzet

(http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/3853)

(3 similar lots)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level: 1cm

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: The nose evidences a lovely mix of primary and secondary aromas followed by light weight, nicely rounded, moderately complex flavors of good if not exceptional length.

Classy and fine in all respects.

Tasted: Apr 09, 2003 Score: 90 Drink: Now

Alan Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £125

3854. **Musigny 1989, Mugnier** (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/3854)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level: 0.5cm Tax status: Duty Paid

Like many '89s today, this is quite developed on the nose displaying fully mature aromas and the initial hints of sous bois. The gamy, earthy and faintly dry medium full flavors are rich, moderately complex and have largely resolved the underlying tannins, culminating in a slight austere finish of solid though not exceptional persistence. I would be drinking this now though there is no real rush. Consistent notes.

Tasted: Jul 25, 2008 Score: 88 Drink: Now+

Alan Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £305

4186. Bonnes-Mares Grand Cru 2003 Drouhin-Laroze

(http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/4186)

2 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level: 0.5cm Tax status: Duty Paid

Grand Cru

£-.

4187. Chapelle-Chambertin Grand Cru 2001 Drouhin-Laroze

(http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/4187)

2 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level: 0.5cm Tax status: Duty Paid

Grand Cru

£-.

4188. Chapelle-Chambertin Grand Cru 2002 Drouhin-Laroze

(http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/4188)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level: 0.5cm Tax status: Duty Paid

Grand Cru

£-.

4189. Charmes-Chambertin Grand Cru 2000 Armand Rousseau

(http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/4189)

2 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level: 1cm

Tax status: Duty Paid

Grand Cru

£-.

4190. Pommard Les Rugiens Premier Cru 2001 J-M Boillot

(http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/4190)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level: 0.5cm Tax status: Duty Paid

Premier Cru

£-.

4191. Volnay Le Ronceret Premier Cru 2003 J-M Boillot

(http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/4191)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level: 0.5cm Tax status: Duty Paid Premier Cru

£-.

5204. **Musigny V.V. 1989, Mugnier** (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5204) 1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Very high-toned fruit with cassis and black raspberry notes followed by medium weight flavors that are subtle and complex but not especially precise or powerful. While this is elegant and very pretty, it is not profound and this too is showing definite signs of astringency on the finish. This is already drinking well though I would suggest another 2 to 3 years of cellar time.

Tasted: Apr 01, 2001 Score: 90 Drink: 2003

Alan Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £390

5205. **Bonnes Mares 1990, Roumier** (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5205)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: Strong secondary fruit aromas that are ripe but not roasted combine with big, dense, complex, deep and still moderately tannic flavors that offer impressive length and are supported by a bit more acidity than the typical '90. This is a big, robust and powerful wine with good depth, richness and ample structure that will likely require another 3 to 5 years to fully come into full maturity. Indeed, this will probably always have some tannic edge and it will never be an elegant or detailed rendition but there is no doubt that this is a very impressive effort. In sum, this is a dramatic and imposing wine that I can admire in the sense that it is well made but it's a long way from my personal favorite in this august group. Consistent notes.

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £520

5207. Pommard Epeneaux 1990, Armand

(http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5207)

2 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Estimate: £100

5208. **Pommard Jarouilles 1990, Boillot** (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5208)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Estimate: £35

5209. **Pommard Jarouilles 1990, Boillot** (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5209)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Estimate: £35

5220. **Pommard Saucilles 1990, Boillot** (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5220)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Estimate: £35

5221. **Gevrey V.V. 1990, Bachelet** (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5221)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: I have experienced significant bottle variation with 2 examples being surprisingly light and somewhat weedy in character but 3 others that are rich, complex and wonderfully long, possessing lovely velvet and solid Gevrey character. In all cases however, the wines are ready to drink and I would not hold them too much longer for fear they will begin declining.

Tasted: May 27, 2006

Score: 88

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £35

5222. **Gevrey V.V. 1990, Bachelet** (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5222)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: I have experienced significant bottle variation with 2 examples being surprisingly light and somewhat weedy in character but 3 others that are rich, complex and wonderfully long, possessing lovely velvet and solid Gevrey character. In all cases however, the wines are ready to drink and I would not hold them too much longer for fear they will

begin declining.

Tasted: May 27, 2006

Score: 88

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £35

5223. Gevrey Chambertins Les Corbeaux 1990, Bachelet

(http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5223)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Estimate: £60

5224. Charmes Chambertin 1990, Bachelet

(http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5224)

3 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Estimate: £380

5225. Richebourg 1990, Hudelot- Noellat

(http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5225)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Estimate: £160

5226. Clos Vougeot 1990, Jadot (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5226)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: A somber yet beautiful dark fruit nose that displays good complexity and moderate secondary aromas is followed by moderately robust, full-bodied, still somewhat tannic flavors of excellent grip and depth. There is real character here and while this is still a mildly rustic wine, there is a lovely velvety quality to the finish. This could be drunk now though it should continue to smooth out over the next two decades as it will easily hold at this level for years to come. Consistent notes.

Tasted: Jan 07, 2008

Score: 91

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £70

5227. Clos Vougeot 1990, Jadot (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5227)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: A somber yet beautiful dark fruit nose that displays good complexity and moderate secondary aromas is followed by moderately robust, full-bodied, still somewhat tannic flavors of excellent grip and depth. There is real character here and while this is still a mildly rustic wine, there is a lovely velvety quality to the finish. This could be drunk now though it should continue to smooth out over the next two decades as it will easily hold at this level for years to come. Consistent notes.

Tasted: Jan 07, 2008

Score: 91

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £70

5228. Corton Rognets 1990, Meo-Camuzet

(http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5228)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: A solidly complex and fully mature nose that has now given over to mostly earth, game and sous bois-infused aromas that also reflect a very subtle hint of lactic acid before merging into robust but no longer particularly structured flavors of reasonably impressive depth, concentration and length. Two important points are worth noting: one is that there are no green tannins present, which is the fault that plagues many '90s today and two is that what structure that does remain is relatively fine. Overall, this is a very attractive combination of mature complexity, intensity, balanced size and weight that culminates in admirable length. This should continue to age well though there will be no further improvement in the offing. Consistent notes.

Tasted: Nov 12, 2009

Score: 91

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £135

5229. Corton Rognets 1990, Meo-Camuzet

(http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5229)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: A solidly complex and fully mature nose that has now given over to mostly earth, game and sous bois-infused aromas that also reflect a very subtle hint of lactic acid before merging into robust but no longer particularly structured flavors of reasonably impressive depth, concentration and length. Two important points are worth noting: one is that there are no green tannins present, which is the fault that plagues many '90s today and two is that what structure that does remain is relatively fine. Overall, this is a very attractive combination of mature complexity, intensity, balanced size and weight that culminates in admirable length. This should continue to age well though there will be no further

improvement in the offing. Consistent notes.

Tasted: Nov 12, 2009

Score: 91

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £135

5230. Corton Rognets 1990, Meo-Camuzet

(http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5230)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: A solidly complex and fully mature nose that has now given over to mostly earth, game and sous bois-infused aromas that also reflect a very subtle hint of lactic acid before merging into robust but no longer particularly structured flavors of reasonably impressive depth, concentration and length. Two important points are worth noting: one is that there are no green tannins present, which is the fault that plagues many '90s today and two is that what structure that does remain is relatively fine. Overall, this is a very attractive combination of mature complexity, intensity, balanced size and weight that culminates in admirable length. This should continue to age well though there will be no further improvement in the offing. Consistent notes.

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Score: 91

Allen Meadows, Burghound

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Tasted: Nov 12, 2009

Score: 91

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £135

5232. Corton Rognets 1990, Meo-Camuzet

(http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5232)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: A solidly complex and fully mature nose that has now given over to mostly earth, game and sous bois-infused aromas that also reflect a very subtle hint of lactic acid before merging into robust but no longer particularly structured flavors of reasonably impressive depth, concentration and length. Two important points are worth noting: one is that there are no green tannins present, which is the fault that plagues many '90s today and two is that what structure that does remain is relatively fine. Overall, this is a very attractive combination of mature complexity, intensity, balanced size and weight that culminates in admirable length. This should continue to age well though there will be no further improvement in the offing. Consistent notes.

Tasted: Nov 12, 2009

Score: 91

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £135

5233. **Musigny 1990, Mugnier** (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5233)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: This is very ripe though it stops just short of surmaturité. This too is quite rich and structured with solidly ripe tannins and good balance, the flavors are a bit one-dimensional and while there is plenty of punch and power, the elegance that one usually associates with a classic Musigny is presently missing. While this is impressively rich and dramatic, it's just not enough to carry the wine to the next level. This is approachable now though there is certainly no rush.

Tasted: Jul 01, 2005

Score: 90

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £445

5234. **Musigny 1990, Mugnier** (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5234)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: This is very ripe though it stops just short of surmaturité. This too is quite rich and structured with solidly ripe tannins and good balance, the flavors are a bit one-dimensional and while there is plenty of punch and power, the elegance that one usually associates with a classic Musigny is presently missing. While this is impressively rich and dramatic, it's just not enough to carry the wine to the next level. This is approachable now though there is certainly no rush.

Tasted: Jul 01, 2005

Score: 90

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £445

5235. Clos de la Roche 1990, Ponsot (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5235)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Estimate: £600

5236. Lactricieres-Chambertin 1990, Ponsot

(http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5236)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Estimate: £380

5237. **Chambertin 1990, Ponsot** (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5237)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Estimate: £310

5238. **Chambertin 1990, Ponsot** (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5238)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Estimate: £310

5239. Nuits St Georges Allots 1992, Leroy

(http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5239)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Estimate: £80

5240. Clos Vougeot 1993, Chopin-Groffier

(http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5240)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: Elegant, refined and pure fruit yet the rich, structured flavors are completely anonymous. There is good length and the tannins are ripe but this could be from anywhere. Perfectly good wine but not one that is likely to appeal to purists.

Tasted: Oct 01, 2001

Score: 86

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £70

5241. Clos Vougeot 1993, Chopin-Groffier

(http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5241)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

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Tasted: Oct 01, 2001

Score: 86

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £70

5242. Clos Vougeot 1993, Engel (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5242)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: A fully mature (but not post-mature) nose speaks of pungent earth, ripe dark berry fruit and subtle underbrush and animale notes that can be found on the rich, detailed and precise big-bodied flavors that are still underpinned by moderately firm but not aggressive tannins and fine length. This would normally deserve a higher rating as the depth really is quite impressive but there is a trace of finishing dryness that holds it back a bit. This will age effortlessly for years to come but it's certainly approachable now with pleasure.

Tasted: Nov 04, 2009

Score: 92

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £65

5243. Clos Vougeot 1993, Engel (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5243)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: A fully mature (but not post-mature) nose speaks of pungent earth, ripe dark berry fruit and subtle underbrush and animale notes that can be found on the rich, detailed and precise big-bodied flavors that are still underpinned by moderately firm but not aggressive tannins and fine length. This would normally deserve a higher rating as the depth really is quite impressive but there is a trace of finishing dryness that holds it back a bit. This will age effortlessly for years to come but it's certainly approachable now with pleasure.

Tasted: Nov 04, 2009

Score: 92

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £65

5244. Echezeaux 1993, Engel (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5244)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: Ripe, very intense fruit that is still almost completely primary followed by big, robust, relatively one-dimensional flavors underpinned by hard, structured tannins. To be sure, this is tasty but not especially well balanced and it drinks better with something to offset the tannins. It seemingly has not changed at all since release and whether it will ever come together is frankly questionable. Note: another recent bottle did not resemble the above review at all with light weight, elegant, entirely red fruits and relatively soft and forward flavors with almost no tannin in evidence and while the fruit was youthful, this bottle was drinking perfectly. A most curious performance and since this bottle appeared to be in perfect condition, I have no explanation for the difference.

Tasted: Nov 30, 2003

Score: 86

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £95

5282. Beaune Clos des Ursules 1993, Jadot

(http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5282)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: This is still a very backward and youthfully austere effort that possesses a rich and intense but reserved nose of earth and moderately ripe pinot fruit that leads to concentrated and somewhat dusty medium full flavors that culminate in excellent length on the velvety finish. This is not really a charmer yet it is appealing in its fashion and should easily last for another 20 years. Multiple and consistent notes.

Tasted: Dec 15, 2006

Score: 90

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £30

5283. Beaune Clos des Ursules 1993, Jadot

(http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5283)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: This is still a very backward and youthfully austere effort that possesses a rich and intense but reserved nose of earth and moderately ripe pinot fruit that leads to

concentrated and somewhat dusty medium full flavors that culminate in excellent length on the velvety finish. This is not really a charmer yet it is appealing in its fashion and should easily last for another 20 years. Multiple and consistent notes.

Tasted: Dec 15, 2006

Score: 90

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £30

5284. Beaune Clos des Ursules 1993, Jadot

(http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5284)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: This is still a very backward and youthfully austere effort that possesses a rich and intense but reserved nose of earth and moderately ripe pinot fruit that leads to concentrated and somewhat dusty medium full flavors that culminate in excellent length on the velvety finish. This is not really a charmer yet it is appealing in its fashion and should easily last for another 20 years. Multiple and consistent notes.

Tasted: Dec 15, 2006

Score: 90

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £30

5285. Chambolle-Musigny 1993, Mugnier

(http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5285)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Estimate: £35

5287. Chambolle Fuees 1993, Mugnier (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5287)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: Cherry cough drop nose that is still very fresh and vibrant with distinctive, medium weight flavors that offer inner sweetness offset by rather drying tannins on the finish. While the extract is sweet and fine, the dry tannins are a concern for the future.

Tasted: Oct 01, 2001

Score: 86

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £55

5289. Chambolle Amoreuses 1993, Mugnier

(http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5289)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: For what was a very tight and backward child, this has finally blossomed to reveal spicy black fruit aromas nuanced by the beginnings of some secondary nuances followed by lovely and very pure middle weight flavors that are refined and defined, all culminating in serious length. I was somewhat worried about the balance of this wine early on but my fears were unfounded as this is a really pretty effort of grace and class. Approachable now though no rush. Multiple, and consistent, notes.

Tasted: Nov 18, 2008

Score: 91

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £235

5290. Chambolle Amoreuses 1993, Mugnier

(http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5290)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: For what was a very tight and backward child, this has finally blossomed to reveal spicy black fruit aromas nuanced by the beginnings of some secondary nuances followed by lovely and very pure middle weight flavors that are refined and defined, all culminating in serious length. I was somewhat worried about the balance of this wine early on but my fears were unfounded as this is a really pretty effort of grace and class. Approachable now though no rush. Multiple, and consistent, notes.

Tasted: Nov 18, 2008

Score: 91

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £235

5291. **Bonnes Mares 1993, Mugnier** (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5291)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: Still very aromatically fresh and youthful with a mix of primary and secondary red pinot fruit aromas that lead to big, robust, intense and structured flavors that offer solid richness but also a bit of astringency on the acceptably long finish. This is just now coming into its own and it doesn't quite have the mid-palate density to completely buffer the structure and as such, there is a slightly edgy character to the finish and it's likely that this will always be the case. As I say, this is only just now coming into prime maturity and It should continue to hold and might even improve a bit in terms of rounding out over the next decade. Multiple notes.

Tasted: Mar 17, 2007

Score: 89

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £200

5292. Bonnes Mares 1993, Mugnier (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5292)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: Still very aromatically fresh and youthful with a mix of primary and secondary red pinot fruit aromas that lead to big, robust, intense and structured flavors that offer solid richness but also a bit of astringency on the acceptably long finish. This is just now coming into its own and it doesn't quite have the mid-palate density to completely buffer the structure and as such, there is a slightly edgy character to the finish and it's likely that this will always be the case. As I say, this is only just now coming into prime maturity and It should continue to hold and might even improve a bit in terms of rounding out over the next decade. Multiple notes.

Tasted: Mar 17, 2007

Score: 89

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £200

5293. **Musigny 1993, Mugnier** (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5293)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: The intense and still largely primary pinot fruit just explodes from the glass offering beautifully nuanced smoke, violets and a cornucopia of red fruit. The mid-palate is still relatively tight with flavors that are so precise that they seem to etch themselves into your palate before joining with a seamless finish that seems to go on and on. Mugnier once told me that this is the finest wine he has ever made and I don't doubt it for a second. This is "thrill a second" juice that should drink well for another 15 to 20 years, perhaps longer. I have extended my suggested drink date (to 2018+) because while the tannins are less obvious than they once were, they are still sufficiently present to warrant more cellar time. Note: While my notes are reasonably consistent with this wine, I have encountered some minor bottle variation as another recent bottle, while still very fine, seemed to have lost the freshness described above; whether it was due to shipping or storage I cannot say.

Tasted: Nov 17, 2009

Score: 97

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £630

5294. **Musigny 1993, Mugnier** (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5294)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: The intense and still largely primary pinot fruit just explodes from the glass offering beautifully nuanced smoke, violets and a cornucopia of red fruit. The mid-palate is still relatively tight with flavors that are so precise that they seem to etch themselves into your palate before joining with a seamless finish that seems to go on and on. Mugnier once told me that this is the finest wine he has ever made and I don't doubt it for a second. This is "thrill a second" juice that should drink well for another 15 to 20 years, perhaps longer. I have extended my suggested drink date (to 2018+) because while the tannins are less obvious than they once were, they are still sufficiently present to warrant more cellar time. Note: While my notes are reasonably consistent with this wine, I have encountered some minor bottle variation as another recent bottle, while still very fine, seemed to have lost the freshness described above; whether it was due to shipping or storage I cannot say.

Tasted: Nov 17, 2009

Score: 97

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £630

5295. **Musigny 1994, De Vogue** (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5295)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: Remarkably elegant relative to prior tastings of this wine with reasonably complex and spicy fruit laced with strong secondary aromas and round, supple, easy going flavors that while not particularly dense or weighty are at least enjoyable (several prior bottles were downright undrinkable). Not especially distinctive but a very good effort in an otherwise difficult vintage. This could be approached now though it will certainly hold and may even soften with a few more years of bottle age. Consistent notes.

Tasted: Mar 05, 2005

Score: 87

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £225

5296. **Musigny 1994, De Vogue** (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5296)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: Remarkably elegant relative to prior tastings of this wine with reasonably complex and spicy fruit laced with strong secondary aromas and round, supple, easy going flavors that while not particularly dense or weighty are at least enjoyable (several prior bottles were downright undrinkable). Not especially distinctive but a very good effort in an otherwise difficult vintage. This could be approached now though it will certainly hold and may even soften with a few more years of bottle age. Consistent notes.

Tasted: Mar 05, 2005

Score: 87

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £225

5297. Bonnes Mares 1994, De Vogue (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5297)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Estimate: £95

5298. **Bonnes Mares 1994, De Vogue** (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5298)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Estimate: £95

5299. **Bonnes Mares 1995, Dujac** (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5299)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: The fully mature nose exhibits a beautifully complex array of mostly secondary red and black fruit trimmed with a touch of wood and leads to robust, moderately structured, deep and sappy flavors that offer outstanding length and only a bit of the typical '95 astringency. This has just now arrived at its peak though it should hold here for at least another decade and it's possible that there may be a modicum of improvement yet to come. Tasted twice recently.

Tasted: Oct 14, 2008

Score: 91

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £175

5300. Clos Vougeot 1995, Engel (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5300)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: Sweet cherry fruit and slightly austere earth notes blend with full-bodied, intense, beautifully complex flavors that display excellent weight and impressive length. This is a lovely, somewhat understated Clos de Vougeot that offers terrific balance and plenty of mid-palate sap.

Tasted: Jun 01, 1999

Score: 91

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £55

5301. **Clos Vougeot 1995, Engel** (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5301) 1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: Sweet cherry fruit and slightly austere earth notes blend with full-bodied, intense, beautifully complex flavors that display excellent weight and impressive length. This is a lovely, somewhat understated Clos de Vougeot that offers terrific balance and plenty of mid-palate sap.

Tasted: Jun 01, 1999

Score: 91

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £55

5302. Echezeaux 1995, Engel (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5302)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: I quite liked the expressive, spicy and nicely complex nose but the intense and still very firmly structured flavors are on the angular side and it's not clear that there is sufficient mid-palate depth to ever completely buffer the tannic backbone. As such, this finishes with moderate astringency yet the complexity is such that there is more than medium interest here. I would continue to cellar this to allow the tannins to mellow somewhat and then serve it with appropriate food and it should offer moderate enjoyment.

Tasted: Mar 04, 2006

Score: 88

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £60

5303. Clos Vougeot 1995, Hudelot-Noellat

(http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5303)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: Young Clos de Vougeot is almost always rather austere but this is so much so that it makes me wonder if it will every come around. Austere, structured and completely inexpressive with only a touch of earthy fruit and backward, slightly tough flavors though there is solid if not exceptional length. What's curious is that Hudelot crafted a fine set of '95s overall but this does not appear to be one of them. No other notes.

Tasted: Nov 12, 1997

Score: 87

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £40

5304. Romanee St. Vivant 1995, Hudelot-Noellat

(http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5304)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: Quite reminiscent of the '93 at the same stage of its development with a subtly sexy and perfumed spicy black pinot fruit nose framed by distinct oak notes that is still quite youthful followed by big, intense, structured flavors that offer impressive size and weight plus a muscular and superbly long finish. A very impressive wine that will require another 5 years or so to reach its full potential though it should age for a long time after that.

Tasted: Apr 01, 2005

Score: 91

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £105

5305. Richebourg 1995, Hudelot-Noellat

(http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5305)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: Bright and lively with fresh red and black fruits and wonderful spice with gorgeous flavors that offer excellent detail, richness and length plus outstanding balance. This is not an especially big wine but the tannins are round and ripe and this is both balanced and discreet. A very pretty and refined wine that is almost feminine in style, especially in the context of what is clearly a rather robust vintage.

Tasted: Jan 01, 2002

Score: 92

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £125

5306. Volnay Santenots 1995, Laurent (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5306)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Estimate: £20

5307. Volnay Santenots 1995, Laurent (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5307)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Estimate: £20

5308. **Gevrey Mazis 1995, Laurent** (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5308)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Estimate: £85

5309. Clos St. Jacques 1995, Rousseau (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5309)

2 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: Explosively spicy, still entirely primary fruit of notable complexity leads to intense, medium full, edgy and beautifully precise flavors and a long but ever-so-slightly astringent finish. This is extremely pretty as well as stylish with plenty of flavor authority, mid-palate punch and impressive length. It will probably always have a slight edge on the finish but the essence of the wine is so fine that it's a background nuance. In sum, a terrific effort. Consistent notes with the exception of one bottle that displayed a huge amount of oak that was completely over the top; I have no explanation for it but it was so oaky that it was honestly tough to drink.

Tasted: Jul 31, 2006

Score: 92

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £340

5311. **Chambertin 1995, Rousseau** (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5311) 1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: Big, rich, intense and robust aromas explode from the glass and lead to intense, full-bodied, and impressively scaled and dense flavors all wrapped in a wonderfully velvet finish. To be sure, this is no where near ready nor is it a cuddly wine as the structure and power suggest that this will very much take its sweet time coming around. That said, there is so much underlying material that I suspect it could surpass the incredible '96. This will evolve slowly and over many years.

Tasted: Oct 17, 2004

Score: 94

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £285

5313. Echezeaux 1996, Engel (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5313)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Estimate: £60

5314. Echezeaux 1996, Engel (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5314)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Estimate: £60

5315. **Grands Echezaux 1996, Engel** (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5315)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Estimate: £75

5318. **Richebourg 1996, Gros, Anne** (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5318)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: This is still virtually black with earthy, black, spicy fruit and flavors that deliver more earth and distinct chocolate notes. The middle weight flavors are elegant and vibrant with excellent overall balance and length. I have always liked this wine as it is both lovely and refined and displays more sophisticated tannins than several of Mme. Gros' previous vintages, which seemed to emphasize extraction more than finesse. The beautiful fruit/acid/tannin balance should permit this to live for years. Tasted several times since release with consistent notes.

Tasted: Oct 01, 2006

Score: 92

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £285

5320. Clos Vougeot 1996, Hudelot-Noellat

(http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5320)

3 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: Quite ripe for the vintage with plenty of earth, game and a lovely mix of red and black fruit notes followed by still completely primary flavors that are still quite structured yet the overall effect is a delicious wine of considerable breed and fine length. While this isn't a genuinely great Hudelot Clos de Vougeot, it certainly is a very pretty effort that should age for a number of years to come. The only concern is that the acidty finishes with plenty of zip and it's not entirely clear that the mid-palate will have enough density to stand up to it over the years. In short, solid but not great. Tasted 3 times, consistent notes.

Tasted: Dec 18, 2006

Score: 89

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £180

5323. Richebourg 1996, Hudelot-Noellat

(http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5323)

2 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: Trace of oak char and discreet, reserved spicy black fruit and rich, full-bodied flavors supported by ripe, dusty tannins and a fine, intense finish. Harmonious and long though not especially big or powerful. Consistent with the traditional Hudelot style emphasizing finesse and elegance.

Tasted: Jan 01, 2002

Score: 90

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £250

5324. Romanee St. Vivant 1996, Hudelot-Noellat

(http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5324)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: Deeply pitched plum, red and black fruit aromas plus an odd cough syrup quality are framed by beautiful spice notes that give way to round, sweet and beautifully intense, firmly structured flavors that are exceptionally pretty but finish very dry and edgy. To be sure, this is a nice wine but the balance isn't quite what it should be and this would drink best with food.

Tasted: Apr 01, 2005

Score: 88

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £105

5325. Gevrey Ruchottes 1996, Rousseau

(http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5325)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: (with thanks to Dr. Reed Day). The nose on the '96 Clos des Ruchottes is stunningly elegant with really dazzling purity of fruit and leads to relatively supple though barely medium weight flavors underpinned by now largely resolved structure and healthy acidity. As it usually is, this is quite earthy with a truffled-quality to the slightly drying finish. While there is no danger of this going over the hill any time soon, I would be drinking the '96 Ruchottes over the next ten years as it risks drying out with too much time in bottle because while the tannins are almost fully resolved, the lack of full phenolic maturity suggests that the acidity may come to dominate the finish. Tasted thrice with consistent notes.

Tasted: Dec 06, 2009

Score: 89

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £110

5326. Gevrey Ruchottes 1996, Rousseau

(http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5326)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: (with thanks to Dr. Reed Day). The nose on the '96 Clos des Ruchottes is stunningly elegant with really dazzling purity of fruit and leads to relatively supple though barely medium weight flavors underpinned by now largely resolved structure and healthy acidity. As it usually is, this is quite earthy with a truffled-quality to the slightly drying finish. While there is no danger of this going over the hill any time soon, I would be drinking the '96 Ruchottes over the next ten years as it risks drying out with too much time in bottle because while the tannins are almost fully resolved, the lack of full phenolic maturity suggests that the acidity may come to dominate the finish. Tasted thrice with consistent notes.

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Score: 89

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £110

5327. Gevrey Ruchottes 1996, Rousseau

(http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5327)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

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1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

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acidity may come to dominate the finish. Tasted thrice with consistent notes.

Tasted: Dec 06, 2009

Score: 89

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £110

5329. **Gevrey Charmes 1996, Rousseau** (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5329) 1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: Lightly colored and precious little fruit on the nose and while the flavors are balanced, harmonious and certainly pleasant with acceptable depth and length, this is clearly not of grand cru quality. This will probably improve somewhat over the next few years but the lack of concentration and mid-palate density suggests it is best drunk on the young side. Tasted three times with consistent notes.

Tasted: Jul 28, 2007

Score: 86

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £70

5330. **Gevrey Charmes 1996, Rousseau** (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5330) 1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: Lightly colored and precious little fruit on the nose and while the flavors are balanced, harmonious and certainly pleasant with acceptable depth and length, this is clearly not of grand cru quality. This will probably improve somewhat over the next few years but the lack of concentration and mid-palate density suggests it is best drunk on the young side. Tasted three times with consistent notes.

Tasted: Jul 28, 2007

Score: 86

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £70

5331. Clos St Jacques 1996, Rousseau (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5331) 1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: There is grand cru breed and elegance to burn in a medium bodied, finely detailed package with good richness and compelling complexity to the concentrated and very long flavors. As one would expect from a '96, there is edgy acidity yet it appears perfectly integrated and gives real lift to the flavors. In short, this is an excellent if not truly outstanding Rousseau Clos St. Jacques that is still on the way up though it is not too far away

from what should be a long plateau of maturity. Consistent notes.

Tasted: Jul 28, 2007

Score: 91

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £180

5332. Clos St Jacques 1996, Rousseau (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5332) 1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: There is grand cru breed and elegance to burn in a medium bodied, finely detailed package with good richness and compelling complexity to the concentrated and very long flavors. As one would expect from a '96, there is edgy acidity yet it appears perfectly integrated and gives real lift to the flavors. In short, this is an excellent if not truly outstanding Rousseau Clos St. Jacques that is still on the way up though it is not too far away from what should be a long plateau of maturity. Consistent notes.

Tasted: Jul 28, 2007

Score: 91

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £180

5333. Clos St Jacques 1996, Rousseau (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5333) 1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: There is grand cru breed and elegance to burn in a medium bodied, finely detailed package with good richness and compelling complexity to the concentrated and very long flavors. As one would expect from a '96, there is edgy acidity yet it appears perfectly integrated and gives real lift to the flavors. In short, this is an excellent if not truly outstanding Rousseau Clos St. Jacques that is still on the way up though it is not too far away from what should be a long plateau of maturity. Consistent notes.

Tasted: Jul 28, 2007

Score: 91

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £180

5334. Clos de Beze 1996, Rousseau (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5334)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: Incredibly vinous, pure, pretty and exquisite aromas of dark fruit, spices, indeed positively kaleidoscopic in breadth followed by tannic, sappy, intense, remarkably complex flavors whose only deficit is a bit of density. Fresh, long and beautiful and this should age for a very long time as the balance here is first rate.

Tasted: Oct 16, 2003

Score: 92

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £340

5335. Clos de Beze 1996, Rousseau (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5335) 1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: Incredibly vinous, pure, pretty and exquisite aromas of dark fruit, spices, indeed positively kaleidoscopic in breadth followed by tannic, sappy, intense, remarkably complex flavors whose only deficit is a bit of density. Fresh, long and beautiful and this should age for a very long time as the balance here is first rate.

Tasted: Oct 16, 2003

Score: 92

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £340

5336. **Chambertin 1996, Rousseau** (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5336) 1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: One of the greatest wines of the vintage with one of the most complex and stunning panoply of still youthful pinot fruit aromas I have ever experienced. Still almost completely primary and pristine, with the same vinous purity yet even more elegance and intensity plus notes of ripe earth, bitter chocolate hints and anise. Superbly intense, full, sharply focused, big, broad and deep flavors that are not especially dense but lead to a finish that simply goes on and on. Classy juice and this rivals the '93 and the '91 for wines for the decade honors chez Rousseau. Simply terrific. Tasted multiple times with consistent notes.

Tasted: May 28, 2008

Score: 95

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £380

5337. Les St. Georges 1997, Gouges (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5337)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: Wonderfully fragrant aromas of black spice, earth and a hint of the sauvage lead to rich, full-bodied and surprisingly accessible, not only for what is normally a rather structured wine in its youth but also considering that this is in magnum format. Long, pretty and delicious and already approachable though the balance is such that it should age well for another 10 to 15 years.

Tasted: Jul 01, 2004

Score: 91

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £40

5338. Les St. Georges 1997, Gouges (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5338)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: Wonderfully fragrant aromas of black spice, earth and a hint of the sauvage lead to rich, full-bodied and surprisingly accessible, not only for what is normally a rather structured wine in its youth but also considering that this is in magnum format. Long, pretty and delicious and already approachable though the balance is such that it should age well for another 10 to 15 years.

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Tasted: Jul 01, 2004

Score: 91

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £40

5340. Clos Vougeot 1997, Hudelot- Noellat

(http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5340)

2 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: (with thanks to Kevin Hill). Very rich, forward, expressive and mature secondary fruit and earth aromas with no over ripeness are followed by relatively round and accessible flavors that are underpinned by now fully resolved tannins and good if not exceptional length. For my taste, this is drinking well now and will probably go tertiary in the near future. Tasted three times with consistent notes.

Tasted: Jul 25, 2009

Score: 89

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £80

5342. Romanee St. Vivant 1997, Hudelot- Noellat

(http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5342)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Estimate: £100

5344. Richebourg 1997, Hudelot-Noellat

(http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5344)

2 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Estimate: £205

5346. Echezeaux 1998, Engel (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5346)

2 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: A spicy and elegant black fruit nose that has now developed the initial touches of secondary notes is followed by dense, solidly structured medium full flavors that culminate in fine length. The aromas have a vaguely sweet character to them and while the tannins are largely if not fully resolved, I would be drinking this sooner than later as the flavors risk becoming slightly soupy with extended bottle age. Tasted twice recently with consistent notes.

Tasted: Nov 18, 2008

Score: 88

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £100

5348. **Grands Echezeaux 1998, Engel** (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5348) 2 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: I was surprised to still find noticeable oak on the nose that displays absolutely no secondary development at all at this point. The oak is not enough to be intrusive but it's hardly invisible either. The big, rich and still moderately structured flavors offer solid concentration and solid if not sensational complexity, all wrapped in excellent length. There is enough fat on the mid-palate that this could be approached now with pleasure though it will certainly continue to improve over time. In short, a lovely effort that is still on the way up. Tasted twice with consistent notes.

Tasted: Jul 11, 2005

Score: 91

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £120

5349. Richebourg 1998, Gros, Ann (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5349)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: (with thanks to Keith Legare). A wonderfully spicy and now fully mature nose (though with no secondary character) that features earth and dark berry fruit merges into rich, full and velvety big-bodied flavors that display ample finishing power and length. There are still firm tannins though it's unlikely that they will age at the same pace as the fruit, which is why I would suggest drinking this now and over the next 10 years as the structure will eventually become drying. That said, the complexity and velvety mouth feel make for an attractive combination. Note that this would be best with food because the firm, but not aggressive, tannins are less evident with something to buffer them.

Tasted: May 16, 2009

Score: 92

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £175

5350. Romanee St. Vivant 1998, Hudelot-Noellat

(http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5350)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: Deep ruby. This is extremely floral with dried rose petal and violet notes that highlight the Oriental spice character of the nose that serves as a dramatic introduction to the sappy, delicious, extraordinarily complex and deep middle weight flavors that culminate in huge length. This is stylish, sexy and classy with superb finishing power and impeccable balance. A terrific effort and a consistent one as I have had no disappointing bottles.

Tasted: Mar 08, 2008

Score: 94

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £135

5351. **Bonnes Mares 1998, Mugnier** (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5351)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: Austere but intense with brooding power and superb material. This is definitely not a charm school burgundy yet despite the austerity typical of classic young Bonnes-Mares, the flavors just etch themselves onto your palate and the finish is almost as long as the 99 Musigny. Textbook Bonnes-Mares.

Tasted: Jan 01, 2001

Score: 91

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £200

5352. **Musigny 1998, Mugnier** (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5352)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: Violets and decadently opulent cherry pinot fruit of stunning elegance with incredibly precise medium full flavors of evident breed and class. This is presently quite compact and dense with superb complexity culminating in almost hard to believe persistence on the finish as it just lingers and lingers. Simply dazzling. A great '98 and one of the wines of the vintage. Multiple and consistent notes.

Tasted: Jul 01, 2005

Score: 95

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £350

5354. **Ausone 1949, St. Emilion** (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5354)

1 bottle of 375 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: Ausone's 1949 revealed a medium garnet color with considerable rust at the edge. Some attractive mineral and black fruit aromas emerge from what is otherwise an austere, lean, light to medium-bodied, high acid wine - a textbook Ausone. Last tasted 9/95.

Score: 86

Robert Parker, www.erobertparker.com

Estimate: £605

5358. Latour 1961, Pauillac (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5358)

1 bottle of 375 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: Port-like, with an unctuous texture, and a dark garnet color with considerable amber at the edge, the 1961 Latour possesses a viscosity and thickness. One of the three bottles served at the Chateau's tasting revealed a surprisingly aggressive, minty, herbaceous nose, but the other two bottles were liquid perfection, exhibiting fragrant, cedary, truffle, leather, mineral, and sweet, jammy aromatics, full-bodied, voluptuous textures, exquisite purity and concentration, and a layered, highly-nuanced finish that represents the essence of compellingly great wine.

The 1961 has been fully mature for over 15 years, but it seems to get richer, holding onto its succulence and fat, and developing more aromatic nuances without losing any sweetness or concentration. An extraordinary wine, it is unquestionably one of the Bordeaux legends of the century! Anticipated maturity: now-2025.

Tasting date: June 2000

Score: 100

Robert Parker, www.erobertparker.com

Estimate: £760

5359. **Latour 1970, Pauillac** (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5359)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: The aromas suggest this wine has peaked with dusty notes of old leather, dried figs and grandma's room. The tannins have gone a little powdery with the medium+ level of acidity taking centre stage in front of the remaining bits of fruit. Medium to long finish. Perhaps slightly past it but still provides an interesting glass.

Tasting date: January 2009

Score: 85

Lisa Perrotti-Brown www.erobertparker.com

Estimate: £255

5360. Latour 1975, Pauillac (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5360)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: The dark ruby/garnet-colored 1975 Latour offers up a dry, mineral, tobacco, stony-scented nose with red and black currants competing with cedar, spice box, and balsam wood aromas. Hard and dense in the mouth, with tough, astringent tannin, a steely constitution, plenty of concentration, but an unflattering, backward style, this youthful 1975 is capable of lasting two more decades. Will it become increasingly attenuated and hard? Anticipated maturity: now-2020.

Tasting date: June 2000

Score: 90

Robert Parker, www.erobertparker.com

Estimate: £190

5362. Ducru Beaucaillou 1978, St Julien

(http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5362)

2 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: An outstanding 1978, Ducru-Beaucaillou's effort displays a fragrant, well-developed bouquet of licorice, earth, black currants, and underbrush. Rich for a 1978, with none of the vegetal character now found in many wines of this vintage, this fully mature, medium-bodied wine exhibits soft tannin, excellent concentration and purity, and a sweet, elegant finish. Anticipated maturity: now-2010. Last tasted 3/97.

Score: 90

Robert Parker, www.erobertparker.com

Estimate: £110

5363. Latour 1978, Pauillac (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5363)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: Medium garnet-colored with moderate amber at the edge, the 1978 Latour offers a spicy, saddle leather, tobacco, dried herb, earthy nose with sweet fruit trying to poke through. Interestingly, new oak also makes an appearance in the flavors. Medium-bodied, elegant, and fragrant, but possibly beginning to dry out, this fully mature wine requires consumption over the next decade. Anticipated maturity: now-2010.

Tasting date: June 2000

Score: 90

Robert Parker, www.erobertparker.com

Estimate: £140

5364. Latour 1978, Pauillac (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5364)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: Medium garnet-colored with moderate amber at the edge, the 1978 Latour offers a spicy, saddle leather, tobacco, dried herb, earthy nose with sweet fruit trying to poke through. Interestingly, new oak also makes an appearance in the flavors. Medium-bodied, elegant, and fragrant, but possibly beginning to dry out, this fully mature wine requires consumption over the next decade. Anticipated maturity: now-2010.

Tasting date: June 2000

Score: 90

Robert Parker, www.erobertparker.com

Estimate: £140

5365. **Petrus 1976, Pomerol** (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5365)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: The 1976 Petrus has been fully mature since it was released. The wine has always possessed intense aromas of over-ripe tomatoes, roasted vegetables, and red and black fruits touched by sweet toasty oak. It continues to be a pleasing, fat style of Petrus, without

the body, weight, and depth of a great year. It needs to be drunk up.

Source: Wine Advocate £ 103, Feb 1996

Score: 88

The notes for this wine are taken from the description of Series IV - Flight B of the 1995 tasting conducted in Munich by Helga and Hardy Rodenstock. Many years after the tasting from which this note derives allegations were made concerning the authenticity of old and rare bottles of wine sold by Hardy Rodenstock to collectors around the world. The matter has been the subject of numerous articles, litigation and at least one book. Mr. Parker believes that the wines served to him at this tasting were authentic so this note and the others from that specific tasting continue to be posted on eRobertParker.com.

Estimate: £300

5366. Petrus 1980, Pomerol (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5366)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: The 1980 Petrus turned in a surprisingly strong performance. A roasted herb, melted road tar, and sweet, jammy-scented nose is followed by a rich, medium to full-bodied wine with considerable length. It appears to have become more impressive with age. Could this wine really be superior to the 1981 and 1979? It is fully mature, so drink it over the next decade.

Source: Wine Advocate £ 103, Feb 1996

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Estimate: £640

5368. Latour 1990, Pauillac (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5368)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: This is one of the more perplexing Latours to evaluate. It has plenty of sweetness as well as a gorgeous, rich fruitiness, but it lacks the firmness one finds in more recent great vintages such as 1996, 2000, 2003, 2005, 2006, and 2008. There is plenty of sweet, ripe currant fruitiness, abundant glycerin, and full body, but I'm still waiting for that extra nuance of complexity to emerge. It's all there, but the wine still seems to be more monolithic than one would expect in a wine approaching 19 years of age. It is not the sure-fire winner I thought it was in its youth, but then again, I don't have any reason to doubt that more complexity will emerge. Anticipated maturity: 2016-2035.

Source: Wine Advocate £ 183, Jun 2009

Score: 95+

Robert Parker, www.erobertparker.com

Estimate: £400

5369. Margaux 1990, Margaux (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5369)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: I had this wine both in Seoul, Korea in February, and from my cellar in December, 2008, and it was remarkable how identical the wines smelled and tasted. It offers an extraordinary aromatic display of spring flowers, camphor, sweet red and black fruits, a hint of licorice, and no evidence of its 100% new oak cask aging. Round and generous with low acidity, but an opulent, full-bodied richness that is fresh with laser-like precision, this stunning wine is just beginning to reach its plateau of full maturity, where it should remain for another three decades. A sensational effort, it is one of the legendary wines made at Chateau Margaux.

Source: Wine Advocate £ 183, Jun 2009

Score: 100

Robert Parker, www.erobertparker.com

Estimate: £495

5372. Chave Hermitage 1990 (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5372)

3 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: 1990 is the Hermitage appellation's greatest vintage since 1978, and maybe since 1961. I have been tasting Chave's Hermitage since the great 1978 vintage, and the black-colored 1990 is unquestionably the most massive and concentrated wine he has yet produced. Perhaps the real difference between it and the splendid 1989 is that the 1990 exhibits a more roasted character to its nose, as well as a bit more tannin and concentration in the mouth. Except for that, they are both mind-boggling, monumental bottles of red Hermitage. The 1990, which offers huge aromas of tar, roasted cassis fruit, and hickory, as well as astonishing concentration, will not be interesting to drink young. Anticipated maturity: 2005-2040. Last tasted 6/95.

Score: 99

Robert Parker, www.erobertparker.com

Estimate: £690

5379. La Chapelle 1990, Jaboulet (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5379)

4 bottles of 375 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: The 1990 La Chapelle is the sexy and opulent. I had the 1990 at the Jaboulet tasting, and again out of a double magnum three months ago. On both occasions it was

spectacular, clearly meriting a three-digit score. The modern day equivalent of the 1961, it deserves all the attention it has garnered.

The color remains an opaque purple, with only a slight pink at the edge. Spectacular aromatics offer up aromas of incense, smoke, blackberry fruit, cassis, barbecue spice, coffee, and a touch of chocolate. As it sits in the glass, additional nuances of pepper and grilled steak emerge. There is extraordinary freshness for such a mammoth wine in addition to abundant tannin, an amazing 60-second finish, and a level of glycerin and thick, fleshy texture that have to be tasted to be believed.

Despite its youthfulness, the 1990 La Chapelle is lovely to drink, although it will be even better with another 5-6 years of cellaring; it should age for 35-40+ years. Anticipated maturity: 2005-2050.

Source: Wine Advocate £ 129, Jun 2000

Score: 100

Robert Parker, www.erobertparker.com

Estimate: £460

5380. **La Chapelle 1990, Jaboulet** (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5380) 4 bottles of 375 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

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Source: Wine Advocate £ 129, Jun 2000

Score: 100

Robert Parker, www.erobertparker.com

Estimate: £460

5381. **Solaia 1985** (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5381) 1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: The 1985 Solaia continues to evolve at a quicker pace than the 1985 Sassicaia. A huge nose of olives, toast, cedar, and cassis offers considerable enjoyment. In the mouth, this dark ruby/purple-colored, opulent wine exhibits a rich, medium to full-bodied, chewy texture, decent acidity, and well-integrated flavors of smoky new oak. The finish is supple and long as the tannins have quickly melted away. Approachable and delicious, this offering should continue to improve for another 7-8 years. Last Tasted 7/92.

Score: 95

Robert Parker, www.erobertparker.com

Estimate: £205

5418. Muller Schwartzhofberger Kabinett 1997

(http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5418)

2 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Estimate: £60

5419. Muller Schwartzhofberger Kabinett 1995

(http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5419)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Estimate: £30

5420. Muller Scharzhofberger Spatlese 1997

(http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5420)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Estimate: £95

5421. Muller Scharzhofberger Auslese 1999

(http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5421)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Estimate: £110

5422. **Guigal La Mouline 1983** (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5422)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting notes: Still backward, but beginning to throw considerable sediment and reveal some amber at the edge, this wine reveals a distinctive, violet, cassis, bacon fat aroma intermixed with smoked duck and Asian spice components. Extremely full-bodied and sturdy, with noticeable tannin, this husky, powerful, concentrated La Mouline is less seductive than many vintages. In fact, in 1983, it behaves more like La Landonne. It can be drunk, but ideally it requires another 4-5 years of cellaring. Many 1983s have proven less exciting than initial predictions because of the refusal of the harsh tannins to melt away, but the tannin is clearly falling away in the 1983 La Mouline. There is still a wealth of fruit remaining. Anticipated maturity: now-2020. Last tasted 6/96.

Tasting date: Jan 1997

Score: 100

Robert Parker, erobertparker.com

Estimate: £440

5423. **Rousseau Chambertin 1995** (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5423)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: Big, rich, intense and robust aromas explode from the glass and lead to intense, full-bodied, and impressively scaled and dense flavors all wrapped in a wonderfully velvet finish. To be sure, this is no where near ready nor is it a cuddly wine as the structure and power suggest that this will very much take its sweet time coming around. That said, there is so much underlying material that I suspect it could surpass the incredible '96. This will evolve slowly and over many years.

Tasted: Oct 17, 2004

Score: 94

Allen Meadows, Burghound

Estimate: £300

5424. **Dom Perignon (in case) 1988** (http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5424)

6 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid One case of 6 bottles. Estimate: £760

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