





































































































Year ▼		Wine Name	Rating	Maturity
	2010	 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Bourgogne	86	Early
	2010	 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Beaune Cent Vignes	(89-91)	Young
	2010	 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Volnay	89	Young
	2010	 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Volnay Clos des Chenes	(91-94)	Young
	2010	 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Volnay Pitures	(91-93)	Young
	2010	 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Volnay Taillepieds	(91-94)	Young
	2009	 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Puligny Montrachet les Levrans	92	Early
	2009	 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Meursault Charmes	89	Mature
	2009	 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Meursault Clos du Cromin	90	Mature
	2009	 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Meursault les Corbins	91	Mature
	2009	 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Meursault les Perrieres	92	Early
	2009	 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Meursault Santenots	92	Mature
	2008	 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Puligny Montrachet les Levrans	91	Mature
	2008	 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Meursault les Perrieres	93	Young
	2008	 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Meursault les Corbins	92	Early
	2008	 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Meursault Clos du Cromin	92	Early
	2008	 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Meursault Santenots	92	Young
	1999	 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Volnay	(87-88)	Old
	1999	 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Beaune Cent Vignes	(85-87)	Old
	1999	 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Meursault Clos du Cromin	(86-88)	Old
	1999	 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Meursault Charmes	(87-88)	Old
	1999	 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Meursault les Perrieres	(87-88)	Old
	1996	 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Meursault Santenots	(88-91)	Old
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	1996	 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Meursault les Corbins	88	Old
	1996	 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Meursault Charmes	(90-92)	Old
	1996	 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Meursault	87	Old
	1996	 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Meursault Clos du Cromin	(87-89)	Old
	1996	 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Volnay	(86-88)	Old
	1996	 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Beaune Cent Vignes	(85-88)	Old
	1996	 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Volnay les Aussy	(86-88)	Old
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	1996		Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Volnay Clos des Chenes	(88-90)	Old
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	1995		Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Beaune Cent Vignes	(86-89)	Old
	1995		Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Volnay	(84-87)	Old
	1995		Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Meursault Clos du Cromin	(86-89)	
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	1995		Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Meursault Santenots	(87-89)	Old
	1993		Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Volnay	84	
	1993		Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Volnay Caillerets	88	Old
	1993		Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Beaune Cent Vignes	87	Old

2010 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Bourgogne

A Pinot Noir Dry Red Table wine from Burgundy, France,

Review by WA # , #199 (Feb 2012)

Rating: 86

Drink 2012 - 2017

The 2010 Bourgogne is an attractive, fleshy red with good depth and fine overall balance for its level. Sweet dark cherries, flowers and licorice wrap around the succulent finish. Anticipated maturity: 2012-2017. The 2010 harvest at Bitouzet-Prieur started on September 25 for the whites and the 26th for the reds. The domaine lost 35% of its production in 2010, echoing an all-too common theme throughout Burgundy. None of the 2010 reds were chaptalized, and the wines were racked once, just after the malos. New oak levels were slightly higher in 2010 as a reflection of lower overall yields, and range from 25-40%. Some of the 2010 reds were bottled in November 2011. Those wines have been assigned final scores. I tasted all of the other 2010 reds from barrel. The wines, still in barrel at the time of my tastings, were scheduled to be bottled between January and March 2012. I also tasted the 2010 Volnay Caillerets, but it was too reduced to accurately evaluate. Importer: Rosenthal Wine Merchant, Pine Plains, NY; tel. (800) 910-1990

2010 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Beaune Cent Vignes

A Pinot Noir Dry Red Table wine from, Le Cents Vignes, Beaune, Burgundy, France,

Review by WA # , #199 (Feb 2012)

Rating: (89-91)

Drink 2015 - 2025

The 2010 Beaune Les Cent Vignes flows across the palate with gorgeous layers of dark red fruit, menthol, tar, licorice and sweet spices. It boasts considerable depth and richness to match its clean, layered finish. This is a terrific showing. Anticipated maturity: 2015-2025. The 2010 harvest at Bitouzet-Prieur started on September 25 for the whites and the 26th for the reds. The domaine lost 35% of its production in 2010, echoing an all-too common theme throughout Burgundy. None of the 2010 reds were chaptalized, and the wines were racked once, just after the malos. New oak levels were slightly higher in 2010 as a reflection of lower overall yields, and range from 25-40%. Some of the 2010 reds were bottled in November 2011. Those wines have been assigned final scores. I tasted all of the other 2010 reds from barrel. The wines, still in barrel at the time of my tastings, were scheduled to be bottled between January and March 2012. I also tasted the 2010 Volnay Caillerets, but it was too reduced to accurately evaluate. Importer: Rosenthal Wine Merchant, Pine Plains, NY; tel. (800) 910-1990

2010 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Volnay

A Pinot Noir Dry Red Table wine from, Volnay, Cote de Beaune, Burgundy, France,

Review by WA # , #199 (Feb 2012)

Rating: 89

Drink 2014 - 2022

The 2010 Volnay is a gorgeous wine at this level. Layers of dark red fruit, crushed rocks and flowers flow gracefully in this textured, deep Volnay villages. The depth of the fruit is quite striking. A polished, energetic finish rounds things out in style. Anticipated maturity: 2014-2022. The 2010 harvest at Bitouzet-Prieur started on September 25 for the whites and the 26th for the reds. The domaine lost 35% of its production in 2010, echoing an all-too common theme throughout Burgundy. None of the 2010 reds were chaptalized, and the wines were racked once, just after the malos. New oak levels were slightly higher in 2010 as a reflection of lower overall yields, and range from 25-40%. Some of the 2010 reds were bottled in November 2011. Those wines have been assigned final scores. I tasted all of the other 2010 reds from barrel. The wines, still in barrel at the time of my tastings, were scheduled to be bottled between January and March 2012. I also tasted the 2010 Volnay Caillerets, but it was too reduced to accurately evaluate. Importer: Rosenthal Wine Merchant, Pine Plains, NY; tel. (800) 910-1990

2010 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Volnay Clos des Chenes

A Pinot Noir Dry Red Table wine from Clos des Chenes , Volnay, Cote de Beaune, Burgundy, France,

Review by WA # , #199 (Feb 2012)

Rating: (91-94)

Drink 2017 - 2030

The 2010 Volnay Clos des Chenes comes across as big, powerful and structured. Layers of dark fruit fill out the wine's muscular frame nicely in this intense, deep Volnay. The 2010 will require patience, but it is shaping up to be a jewel of a wine. This is a decidedly masculine style. Anticipated maturity: 2017-2030. The 2010 harvest at Bitouzet-Prieur started on September 25 for the whites and the 26th for the reds. The domaine lost 35% of its production in 2010, echoing an all-too common theme throughout Burgundy. None of the 2010 reds were chaptalized, and the wines were racked once, just after the malos. New oak levels were slightly higher in 2010 as a reflection of lower overall yields, and range from 25-40%. Some of the 2010 reds were bottled in November 2011. Those wines have been assigned final scores. I tasted all of the other 2010 reds from barrel. The wines, still in barrel at the time of my tastings, were scheduled to be bottled between January and March 2012. I also tasted the 2010 Volnay Caillerets, but it was too reduced to accurately evaluate. Importer: Rosenthal Wine Merchant,

Pine Plains, NY; tel. (800) 910-1990

2010 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Volnay Pitures

A Pinot Noir Dry Red Table wine from Pitures , Volnay, Cote de Beaune, Burgundy, France,

Review by WA # , #199 (Feb 2012)

Rating: (91-93)

Drink 2015 - 2025

The 2010 Volnay Les Pitures boasts gorgeous textural depth and roundness in its dark red fruit. This is an especially soft, supple style of Volnay that is likely to be approachable relatively early. The old vines give the wine impressive depth and concentration, but there is also enough freshness to allow this to age for a number of years. Anticipated maturity: 2015-2025. The 2010 harvest at Bitouzet-Prieur started on September 25 for the whites and the 26th for the reds. The domaine lost 35% of its production in 2010, echoing an all-too common theme throughout Burgundy. None of the 2010 reds were chaptalized, and the wines were racked once, just after the malos. New oak levels were slightly higher in 2010 as a reflection of lower overall yields, and range from 25-40%. Some of the 2010 reds were bottled in November 2011. Those wines have been assigned final scores. I tasted all of the other 2010 reds from barrel. The wines, still in barrel at the time of my tastings, were scheduled to be bottled between January and March 2012. I also tasted the 2010 Volnay Caillerets, but it was too reduced to accurately evaluate. Importer: Rosenthal Wine Merchant, Pine Plains, NY; tel. (800) 910-1990

2010 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Volnay Taillepieds

A Pinot Noir Dry Red Table wine from Les Taillepieds , Volnay, Cote de Beaune, Burgundy, France,

Review by WA # , #199 (Feb 2012)

Rating: (91-94)

Drink 2017 - 2029

The 2010 Volnay Les Taillepieds shows gorgeous energy in its freshly cut flowers, vibrant red fruit and persistent minerally notes. This mid-weight, gracious Volnay impresses for its focus and nuance. Clean, saline notes frame the long finish. Anticipated maturity: 2017-2029. The 2010 harvest at Bitouzet-Prieur started on September 25 for the whites and the 26th for the reds. The domaine lost 35% of its production in 2010, echoing an all-too common theme throughout Burgundy. None of the 2010 reds were chaptalized, and the wines were racked once, just after the malos. New oak levels were slightly higher in 2010 as a reflection of lower overall yields, and range from 25-40%. Some of the 2010 reds were bottled in November 2011. Those wines have been assigned final scores. I tasted all of the other 2010 reds from barrel. The wines, still in barrel at the time of my tastings, were scheduled to be bottled between January and March 2012. I also tasted the 2010 Volnay Caillerets, but it was too reduced to accurately evaluate. Importer: Rosenthal Wine Merchant, Pine Plains, NY; tel. (800) 910-1990

2009 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Puligny Montrachet les Levrons

A Chardonnay Dry White Table wine from, Volnay, Cote de Beaune, Burgundy, France,

Review by WA # , #0911 (Sep 2011)

Rating: 92

Drink 2012 - 2019

The 2009 Puligny-Montrachet Les Levrons offers up freshly cut flowers, sweet herbs and mint, all of

which add considerable depth and complexity. This is a decidedly elegant, vibrant wine graced with exquisite balance and a classy, understated personality. The wine continues to blossom in the glass, suggesting it has a very bright future. Anticipated maturity: 2012-2019. Francois Bitouzet showed me a wide range of wines during my visit to the estate in June, 2011. Unfortunately most of the 2010s were still going through malo and were hard to read, but I did have chance to go through the 2008s, which I have included here. The whites are aged for 12 months in oak, 20-25% new. The village wines are then racked into steel for a further 4-6 months, while the premier crus are racked back into barrel. The extended aging in oak for some of the wines and use of batonnage are among the factors that give these whites a fair amount of textural richness and depth, even in cooler, more reticent vintages such as 2008. New oak is between 20-25%. The 2009s were bottled in February 2011. Importer: Rosenthal Wine Merchant, Pine Plains, NY; tel. (800) 910-1990

2009 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Meursault Charmes

A Chardonnay Dry White Table wine from Les Charmes, Meursault, Cote de Beaune, Burgundy

Review by WA # , #0911 (Sep 2011)

Rating: 89

Drink 2012

The 2009 Meursault Charmes is quite typical of the year and this site. It shows tons of up-front juiciness in its yellow stone fruits, with more than enough volume to fill out its broad shouldered frame, although some of the intensity drops off on the mid-palate. Sweet, honeyed tones wrap around the finish. As attractive as this is, the Charmes lacks an element of freshness and is likely to be a wine that offers its finest drinking sooner rather than later. The Charmes is a blend of two parcels; one in Charmes du Bas, the other in Charmes du Haut that are vinified and aged separately prior to being blended for the final wine. Anticipated maturity: 2012+. Francois Bitouzet showed me a wide range of wines during my visit to the estate in June, 2011. Unfortunately most of the 2010s were still going through malo and were hard to read, but I did have chance to go through the 2008s, which I have included here. The whites are aged for 12 months in oak, 20-25% new. The village wines are then racked into steel for a further 4-6 months, while the premier crus are racked back into barrel. The extended aging in oak for some of the wines and use of batonnage are among the factors that give these whites a fair amount of textural richness and depth, even in cooler, more reticent vintages such as 2008. New oak is between 20-25%. The 2009s were bottled in February 2011. Importer: Rosenthal Wine Merchant, Pine Plains, NY; tel. (800) 910-1990

2009 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Meursault Clos du Cromin

A Chardonnay Dry White Table wine from Le Cromin, Meursault, Cote de Beaune, Burgundy, France,

The 2009 Meursault Clos du Cromin is another relatively rich, open wine. It shows plenty of peach, apricot and spice notes, along with an open personality that suggests it is best enjoyed sooner rather than later. This looks to be on a faster track than the Corbins. Anticipated maturity: 2012+. Francois Bitouzet showed me a wide range of wines during my visit to the estate in June, 2011. Unfortunately most of the 2010s were still going through malo and were hard to read, but I did have chance to go through the 2008s, which I have included here. The whites are aged for 12 months in oak, 20-25% new. The village wines are then racked into steel for a further 4-6 months, while the premier crus are racked back into barrel. The extended aging in oak for some of the wines and use of batonnage are among the factors that give these whites a fair amount of textural richness and depth, even in cooler, more reticent vintages such as 2008. New oak is between 20-25%. The 2009s were bottled in February 2011. Importer: Rosenthal Wine Merchant, Pine Plains, NY; tel. (800) 910-1990

2009 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Meursault les Corbins

A Chardonnay Dry White Table wine from Les Corbins , Meursault, Cote de Beaune, Burgundy, France,

Review by WA # , #0911 (Sep 2011)

Rating: 91

Drink 2012 -

The 2009 Meursault Les Corbins is a gorgeous, radiant wine endowed with layers of expressive fruit and a round, open personality. Despite its generosity, the wine possesses terrific freshness and cut, especially on the finish. This is an attractive Meursault to enjoy over the next few years. Anticipated maturity: 2012+. Francois Bitouzet showed me a wide range of wines during my visit to the estate in June, 2011. Unfortunately most of the 2010s were still going through malo and were hard to read, but I did have chance to go through the 2008s, which I have included here. The whites are aged for 12 months in oak, 20-25% new. The village wines are then racked into steel for a further 4-6 months, while the premier crus are racked back into barrel. The extended aging in oak for some of the wines and use of batonnage are among the factors that give these whites a fair amount of textural richness and depth, even in cooler, more reticent vintages such as 2008. New oak is between 20-25%. The 2009s were bottled in February 2011. Importer: Rosenthal Wine Merchant, Pine Plains, NY; tel. (800) 910-1990

2009 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Meursault les Perrieres

A Chardonnay Dry White Table wine from Les Perrieres , Meursault, Cote de Beaune, Burgundy, France,

Review by WA # , #0911 (Sep 2011)

Rating: 92

Drink 2012 - 2019

The 2009 Meursault Perrieres is, as one might reasonably expect, quite a bit fresher than the Charmes. It shows lovely precision and depth in a fairly generous style for this vineyard. All of the elements come together beautifully in this round, textured Perrieres. The 2009 should drink well pretty much right out of the gate. Anticipated maturity: 2012-2019. Francois Bitouzet showed me a wide range of wines during my visit to the estate in June, 2011. Unfortunately most of the 2010s were still going through malo and were hard to read, but I did have chance to go through the 2008s, which I have included here. The whites are aged for 12 months in oak, 20-25% new. The village wines are then racked into steel for a further 4-6 months, while the premier crus are racked back into barrel. The extended aging in oak for some of the wines and use of batonnage are among the factors that give these whites a fair amount of textural richness and depth, even in cooler, more reticent vintages such as 2008. New oak is between 20-25%. The 2009s were bottled in February 2011. Importer: Rosenthal Wine Merchant, Pine Plains, NY; tel. (800) 910-1990

2009 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Meursault Santenots

A Chardonnay Dry White Table wine from Les Santenots , Meursault, Cote de Beaune, Burgundy, France,

Review by WA # , #0911 (Sep 2011)

Rating: 92

Drink 2012 -

The 2009 Meursault Les Santenots impresses for its fabulous balance and sweet, textured fruit. There is more than enough minerality to balance some of the wine's riper tendencies. A gorgeous, creamy

finish rounds this out nicely. This is a beautiful, complete wine from Bitouzet-Prieur. Anticipated maturity: 2012+. Francois Bitouzet showed me a wide range of wines during my visit to the estate in June, 2011. Unfortunately most of the 2010s were still going through malo and were hard to read, but I did have chance to go through the 2008s, which I have included here. The whites are aged for 12 months in oak, 20-25% new. The village wines are then racked into steel for a further 4-6 months, while the premier crus are racked back into barrel. The extended aging in oak for some of the wines and use of batonnage are among the factors that give these whites a fair amount of textural richness and depth, even in cooler, more reticent vintages such as 2008. New oak is between 20-25%. The 2009s were bottled in February 2011. Importer: Rosenthal Wine Merchant, Pine Plains, NY; tel. (800) 910-1990

2008 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Puligny Montrachet les Levrans

A Chardonnay Dry White Table wine from, Volnay, Cote de Beaune, Burgundy, France,

Review by WA # , #0911 (Sep 2011)

Rating: 91

Drink 2012 -

The 2008 Puligny-Montrachet Les Levrans captures the essence of the house style. It starts off relatively understated, then blossoms on the mid-palate, showing marvelous detail and nuance through to the close. A final burst of energy punctuates the finish. Anticipated maturity: 2012+. Francois Bitouzet showed me a wide range of wines during my visit to the estate in June, 2011. Unfortunately most of the 2010s were still going through malo and were hard to read, but I did have chance to go through the 2008s, which I have included here. The whites are aged for 12 months in oak, 20-25% new. The village wines are then racked into steel for a further 4-6 months, while the premier crus are racked back into barrel. The extended aging in oak for some of the wines and use of batonnage are among the factors that give these whites a fair amount of textural richness and depth, even in cooler, more reticent vintages such as 2008. New oak is between 20-25%. The 2009s were bottled in February 2011. Importer: Rosenthal Wine Merchant, Pine Plains, NY; tel. (800) 910-1990

2008 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Meursault les Perrieres

A Chardonnay Dry White Table wine from Les Perrières , Meursault, Cote de Beaune, Burgundy, France,

Review by WA # , #0911 (Sep 2011)

Rating: 93

Drink 2013 -

The 2008 Meursault Perrieres is an impressive wine. The structure and coolness of the year is nicely balance with richness in the fruit that is brought out through batonnage. The aromas and flavors meld together beautifully towards the creamy, mineral-infused finish. This is a wonderfully complete, harmonious Perrieres. Anticipated maturity: 2013+. Francois Bitouzet showed me a wide range of wines during my visit to the estate in June, 2011. Unfortunately most of the 2010s were still going through malo and were hard to read, but I did have chance to go through the 2008s, which I have included here. The whites are aged for 12 months in oak, 20-25% new. The village wines are then racked into steel for a further 4-6 months, while the premier crus are racked back into barrel. The extended aging in oak for some of the wines and use of batonnage are among the factors that give these whites a fair amount of textural richness and depth, even in cooler, more reticent vintages such as 2008. New oak is between 20-25%. The 2009s were bottled in February 2011. Importer: Rosenthal Wine Merchant, Pine Plains, NY; tel. (800) 910-1990

2008 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Meursault les Corbins

A Chardonnay Dry White Table wine from Les Corbins , Meursault, Cote de Beaune, Burgundy, France,

Review by WA # , #0911 (Sep 2011)

Rating: 92

Drink 2012 - 2018

The 2008 Meursault Les Corbins is a beautifully precise, layered wine. It shows gorgeous delineation in its aromas and flavors. With time in the glass, the wine fills out beautifully, leading to a round, textured finish laced with subtle hints of oak. Anticipated maturity: 2012-2018. Francois Bitouzet showed me a wide range of wines during my visit to the estate in June, 2011. Unfortunately most of the 2010s were still going through malo and were hard to read, but I did have chance to go through the 2008s, which I have included here. The whites are aged for 12 months in oak, 20-25% new. The village wines are then racked into steel for a further 4-6 months, while the premier crus are racked back into barrel. The extended aging in oak for some of the wines and use of batonnage are among the factors that give these whites a fair amount of textural richness and depth, even in cooler, more reticent vintages such as 2008. New oak is between 20-25%. The 2009s were bottled in February 2011. Importer: Rosenthal Wine Merchant, Pine Plains, NY; tel. (800) 910-1990

2008 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Meursault Clos du Cromin

A Chardonnay Dry White Table wine from Le Cromin , Meursault, Cote de Beaune, Burgundy, France,

Review by WA # , #0911 (Sep 2011)

Rating: 92

Drink 2012 - 2018

The 2008 Meursault Clos du Cromin is notable for the way it blossoms in the glass. Sweet, layered aromatics lead to expressive fruit in this generous, inviting Meursault. The freshness of the vintage balances some of the tendency towards richness in this bottling. I especially like the elegance of the finish. Anticipated maturity: 2012-2018. Francois Bitouzet showed me a wide range of wines during my visit to the estate in June, 2011. Unfortunately most of the 2010s were still going through malo and were hard to read, but I did have chance to go through the 2008s, which I have included here. The whites are aged for 12 months in oak, 20-25% new. The village wines are then racked into steel for a further 4-6 months, while the premier crus are racked back into barrel. The extended aging in oak for some of the wines and use of batonnage are among the factors that give these whites a fair amount of textural richness and depth, even in cooler, more reticent vintages such as 2008. New oak is between 20-25%. The 2009s were bottled in February 2011. Importer: Rosenthal Wine Merchant, Pine Plains, NY; tel. (800) 910-1990

2008 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Meursault Santenots

A Chardonnay Dry White Table wine from Les Santenots , Meursault, Cote de Beaune, Burgundy, France,

Review by WA # , #0911 (Sep 2011)

Rating: 92

Drink 2013 -

The 2008 Meursault Les Santenots is powerful yet balanced in a broad, expansive style that caresses the palate with tons of rich, honeyed fruit. Lighter, floral notes appear on the finish, adding brightness to what is otherwise a fairly masculine style of Meursault. All of the elements work nicely here. Anticipated maturity: 2013+. Francois Bitouzet showed me a wide range of wines during my visit to the

estate in June, 2011. Unfortunately most of the 2010s were still going through malo and were hard to read, but I did have chance to go through the 2008s, which I have included here. The whites are aged for 12 months in oak, 20-25% new. The village wines are then racked into steel for a further 4-6 months, while the premier crus are racked back into barrel. The extended aging in oak for some of the wines and use of batonnage are among the factors that give these whites a fair amount of textural richness and depth, even in cooler, more reticent vintages such as 2008. New oak is between 20-25%. The 2009s were bottled in February 2011. Importer: Rosenthal Wine Merchant, Pine Plains, NY; tel. (800) 910-1990

1999 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Volnay

A Pinot Noir Dry Red Table wine from, Volnay, Cote de Beaune, Burgundy, France,

Review by [Pierre Rovani](#) WA # , #135 (Jun 2001)

Rating: (87-88)

Drink 2001 - 2005

The ruby-colored 1999 Volnay displays sweet plum and candied grape aromas. This medium-bodied, expansive, fruit-packed wine is softly textured and delightfully fruity. It displays loads of sweet cherries, grape jelly, and overripe plums. Drink it over the next 3-4 years. Importer: Neal Rosenthal Wine Merchant, New York, NY; tel. (800) 910-1990.

1999 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Beaune Cent Vignes

A Pinot Noir Dry Red Table wine from, Le Cents Vignes, Beaune, Burgundy, France,

Review by [Pierre Rovani](#) WA # , #135 (Jun 2001)

Rating: (85-87)

Drink 2001 - 2004

The ruby-colored 1999 Beaune Cents Vignes has a demure nose of minerals and blackberries. This delicate, light to medium-bodied wine is feminine, displays good richness, and has supple, sweet tannins. Candied orange rinds, cherries, and black raspberries can be found in its flavorful personality. Anticipated maturity: now-2004. Importer: Neal Rosenthal Wine Merchant, New York, NY; tel. (800) 910-1990.

1999 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Meursault Clos du Cromin

A Chardonnay Dry White Table wine from, Meursault, Cote de Beaune, Burgundy, France,

Review by [Pierre Rovani](#)

WA # , #133 (Feb 2001)

Rating: (86-88)

Drink 2001 - 2007

The marzipan-scented 1999 Meursault Clos du Cromin is medium-bodied, broad, rich, and plump. Spices, almond cake, and poached pears can be found in its lush and dense character. Drink this wine over the next 5-6 years. Importer: Neal Rosenthal, Select Vineyard, Shekomeko, NY; tel (800) 910-1990.

1999 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Meursault Charmes

A Chardonnay Dry White Table wine from Les Charmes , Meursault, Cote de Beaune, Burgundy, France,

Review by [Pierre Rovani](#) WA # , #133 (Feb 2001)

Rating: (87-88)
Drink 2001 - 2007

The citrus, mineral, and nut-scented 1999 Meursault Charmes is light to medium-bodied, tightly wound, and possesses a lemon, stone, gravel, and hazelnut character. It is complex, precise, and reveals excellent density as well as length. Projected maturity: now-2006. Importer: Neal Rosenthal, Select Vineyard, Shekomeko, NY; tel (800) 910-1990.

1999 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Meursault les Perrieres

A Chardonnay Dry White Table wine from Les Perrieres , Meursault, Cote de Beaune, Burgundy, France,

Review by [Pierre Rovani](#) WA # , #133 (Feb 2001)
Rating: (87-88)
Drink 2001 - 2007

The oak-scented 1999 Meursault Perrieres is light to medium-bodied, precise, and crystalline. It reveals excellent concentration to its quartz, mineral, and oak flavors. Additionally, this wine has a long, pure finish. Anticipated maturity: now-2006. Importer: Neal Rosenthal, Select Vineyard, Shekomeko, NY; tel (800) 910-1990.

1996 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Meursault Santenots

A Chardonnay Dry White Table wine from Les Santenots , Meursault, Cote de Beaune, Burgundy, France,

Review by [Pierre Rovani](#) WA # , #116 (Apr 1998)
Rating: (88-91)
Drink 2000 - 2005

The Meursault Santenots, aged in 25% new oak, is a first rate wine. Pear, white flower, and mineral scents are followed by a juicy, refined, medium-to-full-bodied, and silky-textured flavor profile packed with concentrated red currants, orange rinds, and toasty wood. Anticipated maturity: 2000-2005. The score, noted on a range and in parentheses, indicates that the wine was tasted from barrel. Vincent Bitouzet has produced wonderful 1996s. Whereas his white 1995s were luscious and opulent (ideal for near-term drinking), Bitouzet crafted refined and elegant '96s built for the long-haul. Importer: Neal Rosenthal, Select Vineyard, Shekomeko, NY; tel (800) 910-1990.

1996 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Meursault les Perrieres

A Chardonnay Dry White Table wine from Les Perrieres , Meursault, Cote de Beaune, Burgundy, France,

Review by [Pierre Rovani](#) WA # , #116 (Apr 1998)
Rating: (91-93)

Potentially even better than the Meursault Charmes, the Meursault Perrieres reveals aromas of minerals and stones as well as a magnificently defined and focused core of gravel, spices, pears, and loads of minerals. This refined and elegant wine's precision, purity, and delineation are something to behold. It is medium-to-full-bodied, lively, silky-textured and possesses a persistent finish that seems to go on forever. The score, noted on a range and in parentheses, indicates that the wine was tasted from barrel. Vincent Bitouzet has produced wonderful 1996s. Whereas his white 1995s were luscious and opulent (ideal for near-term drinking), Bitouzet crafted refined and elegant '96s built for the long-haul. Importer: Neal Rosenthal, Select Vineyard, Shekomeko, NY; tel (800) 910-1990.

1996 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Meursault les Corbins

A Chardonnay Dry White Table wine from Les Corbins , Meursault, Cote de Beaune, Burgundy, France,

Review by [Pierre Rovani](#) WA # , #116 (Apr 1998)

Rating: 88

Drink 1999 - 2004

Revealing toasted almonds and white flower aromatics, the Meursault Les Corbins is a seductive, dense, silky and medium-bodied wine. While not particularly complex, this truly delicious wine's supple candied almond, mineral, earth, buttered toast, and lemon zest-like flavors are enthralling. With time it may merit a higher score. Projected maturity: 1999-2004. Vincent Bitouzet has produced wonderful 1996s. Whereas his white 1995s were luscious and opulent (ideal for near-term drinking), Bitouzet crafted refined and elegant '96s built for the long-haul. Importer: Neal Rosenthal, Select Vineyard, Shekomeko, NY; tel (800) 910-1990.

1996 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Meursault Charmes

A Chardonnay Dry White Table wine from Les Charmes , Meursault, Cote de Beaune, Burgundy, France,

Review by [Pierre Rovani](#) WA # , #116 (Apr 1998)

Rating: (90-92)

Drink 2002 - 2007

Bitouzet has two parcels of Meursault Charmes, one in the lower half of the vineyard ("du bas") with very old vines, and the other in the upper half ("du haut") where the vines are ten years old. The Burgundian cognoscenti generally believe that the better terroir is the Charmes du haut (also known as "du dessus"), which appeared to coincide with my tasting of the component parts. Whereas the wine from older "du bas" vines seemed to have additional concentration, the "du haut" wine was rounder, more refined, and more persistent. The final blend is an outstanding wine, revealing orange rinds and almonds on the nose and a beautifully extracted, medium-to-full-bodied, and silky-textured character filled with candied red currants, flowers, minerals, and traces of vanilla. This elegant, well-crafted and wonderfully long wine should be at its peak between 2002 and 2007. The score, noted on a range and in parentheses, indicates that the wine was tasted from barrel. Vincent Bitouzet has produced wonderful 1996s. Whereas his white 1995s were luscious and opulent (ideal for near-term drinking), Bitouzet crafted refined and elegant '96s built for the long-haul. Importer: Neal Rosenthal, Select Vineyard, Shekomeko, NY; tel (800) 910-1990.

1996 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Meursault

A Chardonnay Dry White Table wine from, Meursault, Cote de Beaune, Burgundy, France,

Review by [Pierre Rovani](#) WA # , #116 (Apr 1998)

Rating: 87

Drink 1999 - 2002

The Meursault offers fresh hazelnut aromas (reminiscent of when I would eat them right off the tree at my grandmother's home), as well as a medium-bodied, well-focused, structured, and austere character packed with roasted nuts. Drink it between 1999 and 2002. Vincent Bitouzet has produced wonderful 1996s. Whereas his white 1995s were luscious and opulent (ideal for near-term drinking), Bitouzet crafted refined and elegant '96s built for the long-haul. Importer: Neal Rosenthal, Select Vineyard, Shekomeko, NY; tel (800) 910-1990.

1996 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Meursault Clos du Cromin

A Chardonnay Dry White Table wine from, Meursault, Cote de Beaune, Burgundy, France,

Review by [Pierre Rovani](#) WA # , #116 (Apr 1998)

Rating: (87-89)

Drink 1999 - 2004

Displaying rich aromas of marzipan, the Meursault Clos Du Cromin has a well-delineated, focused, and gorgeously balanced personality filled with minerals and rock dust. This medium-bodied and elegant wine should be at its peak between 1999 and 2004. The score, noted on a range and in parentheses, indicates that the wine was tasted from barrel. Vincent Bitouzet has produced wonderful 1996s. Whereas his white 1995s were luscious and opulent (ideal for near-term drinking), Bitouzet crafted refined and elegant '96s built for the long-haul. Importer: Neal Rosenthal, Select Vineyard, Shekomeko, NY; tel (800) 910-1990.

1996 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Volnay

A Pinot Noir Dry Red Table wine from, Volnay, Cote de Beaune, Burgundy, France,

Review by [Pierre Rovani](#)

WA # , #119 (Oct 1998)

Rating: (86-88)

Drink - 2001

The ruby/purple-colored Volnay offers jammy red cherry aromas and a thick, medium-to-full-bodied, oily-textured, and chewy character packed with cherries and candied raspberries. This soft and straightforward wine will offer generously fruity and immensely pleasurable drinking. Anticipated maturity: now-2001. Vincent Bitouzet crafted marvelous 1996s, capturing this vintage's succulent fruit. Unlike most vigneron with whom I spoke, Bitouzet reported that his wines' malos took place normally, and were not retarded. He did not heat the cellars or use malo-inducing artificial yeasts, attributing the rapid malo-lactic fermentation to the fact that little sulphur was used during vinification. Importer: Neil Rosenthal, Select Vineyards, Shekomeko, NY; Tel (800) 910-1990.

1996 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Beaune Cent Vignes

A Pinot Noir Dry Red Table wine from, Le Cents Vignes, Beaune, Burgundy, France,

Review by [Pierre Rovani](#) WA # , #119 (Oct 1998)

Rating: (85-88)

Drink 1999 - 2003

The medium-to-dark ruby-colored Beaune Cents Vignes has a sweet raspberry and black cherry-scented nose as well as a well-crafted, refined, and medium-bodied character. This wine is structured and tannic and is redolent with strawberry and raspberry fruit. I suggest drinking it between 1999 and 2003. Vincent Bitouzet crafted marvelous 1996s, capturing this vintage's succulent fruit. Unlike most vigneron with whom I spoke, Bitouzet reported that his wines' malos took place normally, and were not retarded. He did not heat the cellars or use malo-inducing artificial yeasts, attributing the rapid malo-lactic fermentation to the fact that little sulphur was used during vinification. Importer: Neil Rosenthal, Select Vineyards, Shekomeko, NY; Tel (800) 910-1990.

1996 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Volnay les Aussy

A Pinot Noir Dry Red Table wine from Les Aussy , Volnay, Cote de Beaune, Burgundy, France,

Review by [Pierre Rovani](#) WA # , #119 (Oct 1998)

Rating: (86-88)

Drink 1998 - 2002

The rare Volnay Les Aussy (Genot-Boulangier also produces one) is medium-to-dark ruby-colored and offers black cherry, raspberry, and violet-laden aromatics. Tasting this supple and ingratiating wine is akin to drinking a glass of thick and sweet cherry juice. Medium-bodied and lively, this is not a structured or complex wine, rather it is seductive, opulent, and lovely. Drink it over the next 3-4 years. Vincent Bitouzet crafted marvelous 1996s, capturing this vintage's succulent fruit. Unlike most vigneron with whom I spoke, Bitouzet reported that his wines' malos took place normally, and were not retarded. He did not heat the cellars or use malo-inducing artificial yeasts, attributing the rapid malo-lactic fermentation to the fact that little sulphur was used during vinification. Importer: Neil Rosenthal, Select Vineyards, Shekomeko, NY; Tel (800) 910-1990.

1996 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Volnay Caillerets

A Pinot Noir Dry Red Table wine from Les Caillerets , Volnay, Cote de Beaune, Burgundy, France,

Review by [Pierre Rovani](#) WA # , #119 (Oct 1998)

Rating: (90-92)

Drink 1999 - 2005

Medium-to-dark ruby-colored and exhibiting a rich, floral and refined nose, the Volnay Caillerets has a tangy, mouth-coating, full-bodied, complex, and rich core of cassis, cherries, and stone-like flavors. This broad-shouldered and focused wine is elegant, beautifully ripe, velvety-textured, and possesses an impressively long and supple finish. Well-crafted and harmonious, it should be at its best between 1999 and 2005. Vincent Bitouzet crafted marvelous 1996s, capturing this vintage's succulent fruit. Unlike most vigneron with whom I spoke, Bitouzet reported that his wines' malos took place normally, and were not retarded. He did not heat the cellars or use malo-inducing artificial yeasts, attributing the rapid malo-lactic fermentation to the fact that little sulphur was used during vinification. Importer: Neil Rosenthal, Select Vineyards, Shekomeko, NY; Tel (800) 910-1990.

1996 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Volnay Taillepieds

A Pinot Noir Dry Red Table wine from Les Taillepieds , Volnay, Cote de Beaune, Burgundy, France,

Review by [Pierre Rovani](#)

WA # , #119 (Oct 1998)

Rating: (89-91)

Drink 1999 - 2005

Cost: \$40

The ruby/purple-colored Volnay Taillepieds reveals a dark berry and black cherry-infused nose as well as a medium-to-full-bodied, broad, structured, and masculine character with generous fruit. This meaty, chewy-textured, and gorgeously ripe wine is densely packed with red cherries, blackberries, minerals, and fresh herbs. While not as concentrated as the 1995 Taillepieds, it is more seductive and inviting. It should be at its best between 1999 and 2005. Vincent Bitouzet crafted marvelous 1996s, capturing this vintage's succulent fruit. Unlike most vigneron with whom I spoke, Bitouzet reported that his wines' malos took place normally, and were not retarded. He did not heat the cellars or use malo-inducing artificial yeasts, attributing the rapid malo-lactic fermentation to the fact that little sulphur was used during vinification. Importer: Neil Rosenthal, Select Vineyards, Shekomeko, NY; Tel (800) 910-1990.

1996 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Volnay Pitures

A Pinot Noir Dry Red Table wine from Pitures , Volnay, Cote de Beaune, Burgundy, France,

Review by [Pierre Rovani](#) WA # , #119 (Oct 1998)

Rating: (90-92)

Drink 2000 - 2006

The healthy, ruby/purple-colored Volnay Pitures has an elegant, tangy, sweet and sour red currant and cherry-infused nose proceeded by a thick and full-bodied personality. This refined, fat, supple, chewy, and super-ripe wine is ample, round, and filled with sweet red fruits. Of all of Bitouzet's offerings, the Pitures is the most tannic. Projected maturity: 2000-2006. Vincent Bitouzet crafted marvelous 1996s, capturing this vintage's succulent fruit. Unlike most vigneron with whom I spoke, Bitouzet reported that his wines' malos took place normally, and were not retarded. He did not heat the cellars or use malo-inducing artificial yeasts, attributing the rapid malo-lactic fermentation to the fact that little sulphur was used during vinification. Importer: Neil Rosenthal, Select Vineyards, Shekomeko, NY; Tel (800) 910-1990.

1995 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Volnay Pitures

A Pinot Noir Dry Red Table wine from Pitures , Volnay, Cote de Beaune, Burgundy, France,

Review by [Pierre Rovani](#) WA # , #112 (Aug 1997)

Rating: (88-90)

Drink 2000 - 2005

Vincent Bitouzet produces a wide range of Volnays, all of them faithfully representing their respective terroirs. Produced from a parcel at the very top of the Pitures vineyard, bordering the village appellation, Bitouzet's ruby-colored Volnay Pitures possesses blackberry, mineral and deep roasted spice aromas and a powerful, super-ripe, highly structured flavor profile filled with cassis, black raspberries and stones. At present, it is brooding and backward, but should evolve into a glorious wine. Anticipated maturity: 2000-2005. As always, ratings with a score in parentheses indicate the wine was tasted from cask, not bottle. Importer: Neil Rosenthal, Select Vineyards, Shekomeko, NY; Tel (800) 910-1990.

1995 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Volnay Taillepieds

A Pinot Noir Dry Red Table wine from Les Taillepieds , Volnay, Cote de Beaune, Burgundy, France,

Review by [Pierre Rovani](#) WA # , #112 (Aug 1997)

Rating: (88-91)

Drink 1999 - 2005

Vincent Bitouzet produces a wide range of Volnays, all of them faithfully representing their respective terroirs. The potentially outstanding medium-to-dark ruby-colored Volnay Taillepieds explodes from the glass with gorgeously sweet red cherries. The wine has a viscous, velvety, medium-to-full-bodied personality with a super-ripe and chewy flavor profile filled with red currants, strawberries, raspberries accompanied by a touch of Asian spices. Admirably long, it possesses a backbone of soft, round tannin; it should be at its best between 1999-2005. As always, ratings with a score in parentheses indicate the wine was tasted from cask, not bottle. Importer: Neil Rosenthal, Select Vineyards, Shekomeko, NY; Tel (800) 910-1990.

1995 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Volnay Clos des Chenes

A Pinot Noir Dry Red Table wine from Clos des Chenes , Volnay, Cote de Beaune, Burgundy, France,

Review by [Pierre Rovani](#) WA # , #112 (Aug 1997)

Rating: (87-90)

Drink 2001 - 2005

Vincent Bitouzet produces a wide range of Volnays, all of them faithfully representing their respective terroirs. The ruby-colored Volnay Clos Des Chenes reveals enticing earthy, spicy, cherry and herbal aromatics. A crisp, powerful, medium-to-full bodied wine, it has a deeply concentrated palate with boysenberry and currant flavors. Its tannins are slightly hard so I recommend drinking it between 2001-2005. As always, ratings with a score in parentheses indicate the wine was tasted from cask, not bottle. Importer: Neil Rosenthal, Select Vineyards, Shekomeko, NY; Tel (800) 910-1990.

1995 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Volnay Caillerets

A Pinot Noir Dry Red Table wine from Les Caillerets , Volnay, Cote de Beaune, Burgundy, France,

Review by [Pierre Rovani](#) WA # , #112 (Aug 1997)

Rating: (87-89)

Drink 1999 - 2004

Vincent Bitouzet produces a wide range of Volnays, all of them faithfully representing their respective terroirs. The Volnay Caillerets is medium ruby- colored and displays mineral and blueberry aromas as well as a focused, medium-bodied character with cassis, blackberry and stone-like flavors. A touch of dryness in its finish prevents the wine from meriting a higher rating. Drink it between 1999-2004. As always, ratings with a score in parentheses indicate the wine was tasted from cask, not bottle. Importer: Neil Rosenthal, Select Vineyards, Shekomeko, NY; Tel (800) 910-1990.

1995 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Volnay les Aussy

A Pinot Noir Dry Red Table wine from Les Aussy , Volnay, Cote de Beaune, Burgundy, France,

Review by [Pierre Rovani](#) WA # , #112 (Aug 1997)

Rating: (85-87)

Drink 1997 - 2001

Vincent Bitouzet produces a wide range of Volnays, all of them faithfully representing their respective terroirs. Ruby-colored and exhibiting smoky blackberry aromas, the Volnay Aussy is a well-structured, medium-bodied and graceful wine packed with cassis and blueberries. Projected maturity: now-2001. As always, ratings with a score in parentheses indicate the wine was tasted from cask, not bottle. Importer: Neil Rosenthal, Select Vineyards, Shekomeko, NY; Tel (800) 910-1990.

1995 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Beaune Cent Vignes

A Pinot Noir Dry Red Table wine from, Le Cents Vignes, Beaune, Burgundy, France,

Review by [Pierre Rovani](#) WA # , #112 (Aug 1997)

Rating: (86-89)

Drink 1997 - 2002

Vincent Bitouzet produces a wide range of Volnays, all of them faithfully representing their respective terroirs. The ruby-colored Beaune Cents Vignes offers intense aromas of mocha and jammy red fruits as well as a thick-textured, cherry pie filling and chocolate-flavored, medium-bodied character. This

powerful offering (particularly considering it is from a vineyard that generally produces rather light wines) succeeds in marrying its bold jammy flavors with an attractive finesse. Anticipated maturity: Now-2002. As always, ratings with a score in parentheses indicate the wine was tasted from cask, not bottle. Importer: Neil Rosenthal, Select Vineyards, Shekomeko, NY; Tel (800) 910-1990.

1995 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Volnay

A Pinot Noir Dry Red Table wine from, Volnay, Cote de Beaune, Burgundy, France,

Review by [Pierre Rovani](#)

WA # , #112 (Aug 1997)

Rating: (84-87)

Drink 1997 - 2000

Vincent Bitouzet produces a wide range of Volnays, all of them faithfully representing their respective terroirs. The light-to medium ruby-colored Volnay possesses a sweet and tangy cherry nose as well as a beautifully ripe, well-structured, medium-bodied, soft personality with flavors of strawberries, crisp red berries and fresh herbs. Drink it between now and 2000. As always, ratings with a score in parentheses indicate the wine was tasted from cask, not bottle. Importer: Neil Rosenthal, Select Vineyards, Shekomeko, NY; Tel (800) 910-1990.

1995 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Meursault Clos du Cromin

A Chardonnay Dry White Table wine from, Meursault, Cote de Beaune, Burgundy, France,

Review by [Pierre Rovani](#) WA # , #110 (Apr 1997)

Rating: (86-89)

Buttery and citrusy, the Meursault Clos du Cromin, from a vineyard on the Volnay side of Meursault, has a mineral aspect to the nose and is well balanced. Note: This wine was tasted prior to being fined. This note is the result of tastings I did in Burgundy between January 7 and January 29. Ratings with a range of scores in parentheses indicate the wine was tasted from cask, not bottle. Importer: Neal Rosenthal, Select Vineyard, Shekomeko, NY; tel (800) 910-1990.

1995 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Meursault Charmes

A Chardonnay Dry White Table wine from Les Charmes , Meursault, Cote de Beaune, Burgundy, France,

Review by [Pierre Rovani](#) WA # , #110 (Apr 1997)

Rating: (88-90)

The Meursault Charmes is quite fat, round and leesy yet has an innate elegance. Flavors of stones and minerals are present with a faint touch of freshly cut flowers. Note: This wine was tasted prior to being fined. This note is the result of tastings I did in Burgundy between January 7 and January 29. Ratings with a range of scores in parentheses indicate the wine was tasted from cask, not bottle. Importer: Neal Rosenthal, Select Vineyard, Shekomeko, NY; tel (800) 910-1990.

1995 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Meursault les Corbins

A Chardonnay Dry White Table wine from Les Corbins , Meursault, Cote de Beaune, Burgundy, France,

Review by [Pierre Rovani](#) WA # , #110 (Apr 1997)

Rating: (86-89)

Drink 1997 - 2001

The Meursault Corbins is from a vineyard on the Volnay side of Meursault. It shows deep minerality in the nose and mouth, has good length and exhibits Bitouzet's trademark leesy touch. Drink it between now-2001. Note: This wine was tasted prior to being fined. This note is the result of tastings I did in Burgundy between January 7 and January 29. Ratings with a range of scores in parentheses indicate the wine was tasted from cask, not bottle. Importer: Neal Rosenthal, Select Vineyard, Shekomeko, NY; tel (800) 910-1990.

1995 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Meursault les Perrieres

A Chardonnay Dry White Table wine from Les Perrieres , Meursault, Cote de Beaune, Burgundy, France,

Review by [Pierre Rovani](#)

WA # , #110 (Apr 1997)

Rating: (90-93)

The fabulous Meursault Perrieres offers an excellent nose of stony hazelnuts, a leesy, buttery palate, admirable structure, and a distinctly steely aspect to its long finish. Note: This wine was tasted prior to being fined. This note is the result of tastings I did in Burgundy between January 7 and January 29. Ratings with a range of scores in parentheses indicate the wine was tasted from cask, not bottle. Importer: Neal Rosenthal, Select Vineyard, Shekomeko, NY; tel (800) 910-1990.

1995 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Meursault Santenots

A Chardonnay Dry White Table wine from Les Santenots , Meursault, Cote de Beaune, Burgundy, France,

Review by [Pierre Rovani](#) WA # , #110 (Apr 1997)

Rating: (87-89)

Drink 1997 - 2003

An excellent wine with the potential to be outstanding, the Meursault Santenots, from a vineyard on the Volnay side of Meursault, has an earthy, buttery nose, a fat, oily-textured mouth, and flavors of spiced apples, cassis and red currants. Its structure should allow it to age gracefully for 6 or so years. Note: This wine was tasted prior to being fined. This note is the result of tastings I did in Burgundy between January 7 and January 29. Ratings with a range of scores in parentheses indicate the wine was tasted from cask, not bottle. Importer: Neal Rosenthal, Select Vineyard, Shekomeko, NY; tel (800) 910-1990.

1993 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Volnay

A Pinot Noir Dry Red Table wine from, Volnay, Cote de Beaune, Burgundy, France,

Review by [Robert Parker](#) WA # , #100 (Aug 1995)

Rating: 84

Bitouzet's 1993s are well-made wines exhibiting deep color, some of the vintage's hard tannin, but excellent richness and ripeness. This wine was rated, but given no tasting note. Bitouzet is better known for his white than red wines, but the reds, especially the Volnay-Clos des Chenes, Volnay Pitures, and Volnay Taillepieds, are attractive, well-made wines. They rarely hit the highest qualitative peaks, but they are consistently authentic examples of Volnay. They can last for 5-10 years. Importer: Neal Rosenthal, Select Vineyards, Shekomeko, NY; tel. (800) 910-1990

1993 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Volnay Caillerets

A Pinot Noir Dry Red Table wine from Les Caillerets, Volnay, Cote de Beaune, Burgundy, France,

Review by [Robert Parker](#)

WA #, #100 (Aug 1995)

Rating: 88

Drink 1999 - 2010

Cost: \$40-\$45

Bitouzet's 1993s are well-made wines exhibiting deep color, some of the vintage's hard tannin, but excellent richness and ripeness. The richest and fullest-bodied of these offerings is the potentially outstanding Volnay Caillerets. Tannic, powerful, and rich, it exhibits fine balance, gobs of rich fruit lurking behind the tannic framework, and a complex set of aromatics. Like the other Volnay premier crus, it should be cellared for 4-5 years; it is a candidate for 12-15 years of cellaring. Bitouzet is better known for his white than red wines, but the reds, especially the Volnay-Clos des Chenes, Volnay Pitures, and Volnay Taillepieds, are attractive, well-made wines. They rarely hit the highest qualitative peaks, but they are consistently authentic examples of Volnay. They can last for 5-10 years. Importer: Neal Rosenthal, Select Vineyards, Shekomeko, NY; tel. (800) 910-1990

1993 Domaine Bitouzet Prieur Beaune Cent Vignes

A Pinot Noir Dry Red Table wine from, Le Cents Vignes, Beaune, Burgundy, France,

Review by [Robert Parker](#) WA #, #100 (Aug 1995)

Rating: 87

Drink 1995 - 2001

Bitouzet's 1993s are well-made wines exhibiting deep color, some of the vintage's hard tannin, but excellent richness and ripeness. The most forward and seductive of these offerings is the Beaune Cent Vignes, a medium-bodied, fragrant, richly fruity red Burgundy that can be drunk over the next 5-6 years. Bitouzet is better known for his white than red wines, but the reds, especially the Volnay-Clos des Chenes, Volnay Pitures, and Volnay Taillepieds, are attractive, well-made wines. They rarely hit the highest qualitative peaks, but they are consistently authentic examples of Volnay. They can last for 5-10 years. Importer: Neal Rosenthal, Select Vineyards, Shekomeko, NY; tel. (800) 910-1990