2012 BURGUNDY Special Report **TIM ATKIN MW**

January 2014.

96 pts.

Domaine Georges Lignier, Clos de la Roche GC

Georges Lignier's wines continue to be some of the best-priced reds in the Côte de Nuits. The colour, may be very pale here, but there's no absence of complexity. It's quite a refreshing style with minerality to the fore, fine tannins and supple red and black fruits. Silky, sensitive winemaking. 2018-28

95 Pts.

Domaine Georges Lignier, Clos-St-Denis GC

Showing the poise and balance that are typical of Georges Lignier's wines, this is another very polished wine. It's deceptively forward, with crunchy redcurrant and raspberry fruit and sweet, yet understated oak. But it's a wine that has inner purpose and drive and a tangy, refreshing finish. 2018-28

94 Pts.

Domaine Georges Lignier, Bonnes-Mares GC

This is darker, denser and more tannic than most of the Lignier Pinots, with a sense of something being held back for the future and a hint of reduction. But the wine opens up in the mouth, offering powerful flavours of black plums, liquorice and sweet Asian spices. The oak, as ever, is judiciously applied. 2020-30

Domaine Georges Lignier, Gevrey-Chambertin PC Les Combottes

Combottes is a special Premier Cru, sandwiched between two Grands Crus. This doesn't have quite the power and muscularity of the Bonnes Mares from the same domaine, but it's not that far behind. It's a brambly, black-fruited Pinot with subtle oak, good structure and delicious precision and palate length. 2018-28

93 Pts.

Domaine Georges Lignier, Chambolle-Musigny

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Domaine Georges Lignier, Morey Saint Denis PC Clos des Ormes

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