



2009 Burgundy
The smiling face of
a welcome and welcoming
vintage

Although it has unfairly overshadowed 2008, there is no doubt that 2009 offers a winning combination of quality and quantity, for whites as well as for reds, urges **Michael Edwards**. Additional notes from recent tastings by **Neil Beckett** and **Margaret Rand**

Domaine Lebreuil

Aloxe-Corton Boutières

MR: Muscle of a very refined kind: elegance, subtlety, and pure fruit. A tight structure and an enormous finish. Terrific. 18

Savigny-lès-Beaune Aux Grands Liards

MR: Creamy and closed—unusually so for a Savigny at this age. But the finish is long. More tannin than fruit showing at the moment, but it's not bottled yet. A distinguished wine. 15

Savigny-lès-Beaune Premier Cru Peuillets

MR: Fifty-year-old vines here have given a wine of lovely depth and silkiness; a serious Savigny. Very good indeed; sleek, pure, very long. 17

Savigny-lès-Beaune Premier Cru Serpentières

MR: Huge depth—the vines were planted in 1924—a very confident, sleek wine, with lovely pure Pinot fruit; long, delicious, restrained, and powerful; lovely aromatics. 17.5

