



Burgundy 2015

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2015 Meursault "Les Corbins" 16.5/20

Some sparky smoke and flint aromas, dry and fibrous texture with tart apple fruit and good concentration. Long, flinty finish, very enjoyable. (RH)

2015 Puligny-Montrachet "Les Levrons" 17/20

Cask sample. Tangy fruit with a touch of struck-match reduction. More reductive on the palate but not covering the fruit. Plenty of freshness, almost tart, but just on the right side of the acidity/fruit balance. (JH)

2015 Meursault 1er Cru "Charmes" 17+/20

Matchstick reduction, sparky and vibrant. Rounded, smooth, green fruit aplenty and a smooth, persistent finish. (RH)

2015 Meursault 1er Cru "Perrières" 16.5+/20

Green apple, less sulphidic aromas than their Corbins Meursault. Tight, crisp acid, tangy yet full on the finish. Has the fatness of Meursault, though not the most diverse flavour range. (RH)

2015 Volnay 14.5/20

Rather feral nose – has an earthiness that is flirting with horsey smells. Clean enough on the palate, but finishes with a hamster-cage character – perhaps that's just the sample, but I'm not convinced. (RH)

2015 Volnay 1er Cru "Clos des Chênes" 15/20

Fresh and bright on the nose, but tannic and thin on the palate. Lacks the luxurious flesh of the vintage – and appellation. (RH)

2015 Volnay 1er Cru "Caillerets" 15.5/20

Lovely floral notes – this has some of the flavour interest that is missing from their other Volnays. Very fine tannin with a crisp acid finish. The length isn't huge though, and the fruit concentration isn't a great prospect for long-term ageing. (RH)