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Domaine Edmond Cornu (Ladoix-Serrigny)

2015 Bourgogne-Aligoté white 86 2015 Chorey-lès-Beaune white (86-88) 2015 Ladoix white (87-89)

2015 Meursault "Les Corbins" white (87-90)

Pierre Cornu described the 2015 growing season as "much less complicated than anything we've experienced in the last five years so it was frankly a relief not to be constantly worried about something! Even so, our yields were not especially high at around 30 hl/ha, which is about what we obtained in 2010 and 2012. 30 hl/ha isn't bad but 35 to 40 hl/ha is more in line with what we would like to have. I chose to begin picking relatively late, which is to say on the 8th of September because while we had the alcoholic degrees we like, I didn't think we quite had the ideal phenolic maturity. The vinifications were easy in one sense because the fruit was so clean. While I always hesitate to make pronouncements, it's hard to see the 2015s turning out poorly as they just have so much potential." (Rosenthal Wine Merchant, <u>www.madrose.com</u>, NY, USA; McKinley Vintners, <u>www.mckinleyvintners.co.uk</u>, UK).

2015 Bourgogne-Aligoté: A spicy, ripe and mildly exotic nose exhibits notes of citrus and apple before sliding into delicious and lightly mineral-inflected flavors that are rich to the point of being lush on the lemony finish. This is atypical but not without a certain appeal. 86/now+

2015 Chorey-lès-Beaune: A discreet application of wood sets off notably ripe aromas of citrus, petrol and a mix of white orchard fruit scents. There is excellent richness to the round succulent flavors that are generously proportioned and very forward, indeed this fruity effort should drink well shortly after release. (86-88)/2018+

2015 Ladoix: Mild reduction makes the nose hard to detect nuance but the underlying fruit seems to be quite ripe. Otherwise there is unusually good power and concentration for a *villages* level Ladoix thanks to an abundance of dry extract that coats the palate on the clean and dry finish that offers good if not special depth and persistence. (87-89)/2019+

2015 Meursault "Les Corbins": Here the reduction is sufficiently strong to render an evaluation of the nose impossible. On the plus side there is once again fine concentration to the caressing and suave medium-bodied flavors that possess slightly better depth on the delicious finish. This is also quite forward and should drink well early on. (87-90)/2019+