

DOMAINE BACHEY-LEGROS

- **Chardonnay St. Martin, Bourgogne 2018**

Tasted by Tim Atkin MW
(at 2018 En primeur tastings, Burgundy, 20 Oct 2018)

There was lots of juice, so the wine is well-balanced,' says Samuel Bachey-Legros of this impressive introduction to the domaine's range. Sourced from a parcel in Santenay, this is creamy and appealing, with 15% new wood, some gunflinty reduction and a tangy, palate-cleansing finish.

Drinking Window 2021 – 2026

Tasting Score 91

- **Les Chevalières, Meursault, 2018**



Tasted by Tim Atkin MW
(at 2018 En primeur tastings, Burgundy, 18 Oct 2019)

Bottled under this top-end Santenay domaine's négociant label, this impressive village Meursault comes from a cool, limestone-based terroir that's located at 250 metres. It's very much a mountain style, shimmering with freshness, minerality and focus embellished by flavours of vanilla spice and fresh patisserie. Very drinkable indeed.

Drinking Window 2021 – 2028

Tasting Score 93

- **Santenay 1er Cru Clos des Gravières, 2018**



Tasted by Tim Atkin MW
(at 2018 En primeur tastings, Burgundy, 20 Oct 2018)

This comes from the lower, northern part of Santenay and is mostly a young vine cuvée. You can hear an echo of nearby Chassagne-Montrachet in the ripeness, richness and texture of the wine, which has flavours and aromas of honey, beeswax and lanolin, complemented by 30% new wood and more than enough acidity and freshness for balance.

Drinking Window 2020 – 2028

Tasting Score 93

- **St-Aubin, 1er Cru Champlots, 2018**



Tasted by Tim Atkin MW
(at 2018 En primeur tastings, Burgundy, 20 Oct 2018)

Bottled under the domaine's négociant label because it is made with (excellent) purchased fruit, this cuvée of Les Champlots comes from a limestone-rich terroir at 350 metres and is a St-Aubin that could rub shoulders with a series of Puligny-Montrachet Premiers Crus. Racy, pithy, chalky and very saline, it's very crunchy and refreshing, with a taut, mouthwatering finish.

Drinking Window 2021 – 2028

Tasting Score 95

- **Chassagne-Montrachet, 1er Cru Boudriotte 2018**



Tasted by Tim Atkin MW
(at 2018 En primeur tastings, Burgundy, 20 Oct 2019)

Based on heavier, clay-limestone soils than most of Chassagne's Premiers Crus, this plush, powerful white is made with fruit from Les Fairendes and slightly stonier La Cardeuse. Smoky, oatmealy and textured, with beeswax and kitchen spice aromas, a taut mineral core and a palate-coating finish. Alex Moreau calls this a 'wine to lay down' and he's right.

Drinking Window 2021 – 2028

Tasting Score 94

- **Les Champs Claudes Vieilles Vignes, Santenay, 2018**



Tasted by Tim Atkin MW
(at 2018 En primeur tastings, Burgundy, 20 Oct 2018)

Les Champs Claudes sits below the Morgeot Premier Cru on the north side of Santenay close to Chassagne-Montrachet and is a very serious village wine on chalky soils. Aged in 25% new wood, this has bright, sappy, refreshing fruit flavours of red berries and pomegranate, some vanilla spice and sappy underlying acidity. Great value from the Bache-Legros brothers.

Drinking Window 2022 - 2028

Tasting Score 93

- **Vieilles Vignes, Santenay 1er Cru La Comme, 2018**



Tasted by Tim Atkin MW
(at 2018 En primeur tastings, Burgundy, 20 Oct 2019)

La Comme sits at around 250 metres of altitude, right up against the commune of Chassagne-Montrachet on a clay-limestone plateau. It's a plush, layered, concentrated wine that is more Côte de Nuits than Côte de Beaune, with ample concentration and intensity, a patina of toasty 30% new wood and the tannic structure to age further in bottle.

Drinking Window 2024 – 2032

Tasting Score 94

- **Santenay, 1er Cru Clos Rousseau, 2018**



Tasted by Tim Atkin MW
(at 2018 En primeur tastings, Burgundy, 20 Oct 2018)

Clos Rousseau would be much more famous if it were located in Vosne-Romanée or Gevrey-Chambertin rather than Santenay, such is the quality of the wines from this Premier Cru. The limestone-rich soils have produced a wine that is racy, floral and refined with wonderful elegance, poise and finesse, subtle 30% new wood and a stony, flinty finish.

Drinking Window 2024 – 2032

Tasting Score 94

- **Les Fourneaux, Santenay 1er Cru Clos Rousseau, 2018**



Tasted by Tim Atkin MW
(at 2018 En primeur tastings, Burgundy, 20 Oct 2018)

Les Fourneaux is a lieu-dit within the Clos Rousseau Premier Cru, which is widely regarded as one of the Santenay's best sites. Most of the vineyard was planted right back in 1914 and this is often a wine that marries concentration and structure. Smartly oaked in 30% new wood, it's a spicy, intense, well-balanced Pinot Noir with black cherry fruit and a spine of serious tannins.

Drinking Window 2023 – 2032

Tasting Score 94