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**ROMANÉE ST. VIVANT
GRAND CRU
“LES QUATRE JOURNAUX”**

The pure and strikingly elegant nose combines notes of wonderfully **spicy aromas of black cherry** and exotic **Asian-style tea** that are trimmed in just enough wood to notice. There is fine volume to the velvety and seductively textured flavors that possess excellent richness yet fine detail on the hugely long if decidedly firm finale where touches of austerity and warmth appear. In a word, excellent.



93 pts

**CHAMBERTIN GRAND CRU
CUVÉE HÉRITIERS LATOUR**

This is also aromatically ripe yet cooler with a more restrained nose of **wild red currant, plum, forest floor** and plenty of **newly turned earth** where a hint of **humus** can be found. The rich, velvety and muscular broad-shouldered flavors exude evident minerality on the detailed, serious, austere and compact finale that offers excellent length. There is a trace of warmth but it's not intrusive and overall, this should age well over the mid to longer-term.



92 pts

**CHÂTEAU CORTON
GRANCEY GRAND CRU**

This is pretty aromatically with its combination of **plum, black cherry, game, smoke** and **freshly turned earth**. The rich, velvet-textured and more powerful large-bodied flavors are generous to the point of opulence if perhaps less mineral-driven, all wrapped in a serious, built-to-age and robust finish that could also use better depth so patience advised.



92 pts

**CORTON GRAND CRU
“PERRIÈRES”**

Once again the wood treatment is subtle but perceptible on the nose that combines notes of **red and dark pinot fruit, discreet spice elements** and a whiff of **game** character. The sleek, detailed and markedly **stony larger-scaled flavors** possess a beautiful texture and solid verve on the moderately austere, firm and balanced finale. This also needs to develop more depth but that should be simply a question of time.



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ECHÉZEAUX GRAND CRU

This is quite ripe though not jammy with its attractively **spicy exotic tea-infused aromas of black cherry compote, poached plum** and **kirsch**. The seductively textured and more concentrated flavors possess both good size and weight along with focused power that seems to build on the youthfully austere, firm and lingering finish that could also use better depth.



91 pts

**BEAUNE 1ER CRU
“VIGNES FRANCHES”**

A deft application of **wood frames overtly floral**, particularly **violet**, aromas of mostly **dark cherry** and **currant** scents. The plump but punchy medium weight flavors possess markedly better volume while exhibiting a subtle minerality and focused power on the sneaky long, balanced and built-to-age finish. This is quite good and worth considering.



91 pts

**VOSNE-ROMANÉE 1ER CRU
“LES PETITS MONTS”**

Moderately generous wood fights somewhat with the attractively **spicy nose of red and dark berries, exotic tea** and a hint of **soy**. The succulent, round and seductively textured medium-bodied flavors also exude a subtle bead of minerality on the youthfully austere and firm finale. I like the balance though this will need to develop better depth with time in bottle.



90 pts

**CLOS VOUGEOT
GRAND CRU**

Moderately subtle wood surrounds the **ripe red and dark currant, violet** and **just turned earth-scented nose**. Here too the sappy middleweight flavors are rich to the point of opulence and in this case, the youthfully austere and markedly firm finish lacks a bit of vibrancy.



90 pts

**VOLNAY 1ER CRU
“EN CHEVRET”**

The whole cluster vinification is in evidence as the **liqueur-like nose of plum** and **black raspberry** is quite floral. I very much like the texture of the rich, supple and refined middleweight flavors that possess good punch as well as a bead of minerality on the chalky bitter pit fruit-inflected finish that is notably better-balanced.