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CHAMBERTIN GRAND CRU "CUVÉE HÉRITIERS LATOUR"

This is very ripe, indeed to the point that there are notes of jammy and earthy dark berry fruit aromas that exhibit a plethora of pretty spice elements. There is fine volume and mid-palate concentration to the overtly mineral-inflected and muscular flavors that are at once supple yet firm on the youthfully austere finish that exhibits focused power. This too should age well for years to come. 2033+



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ECHÉZEAUX GRAND CRU

A ripe yet reasonably fresh combination melds notes of various spice and floral elements with those of red and black pinot fruit that exudes a hint of exotic spice. The notably pliant, round and nicely detailed flavors possess very fine length on the saline-inflected finish. This needs to develop better depth but the underlying material appears to be present for that to occur over time. 2030+



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2018 Louis Latour

Louis-Fabrice Latour and winemaker Jean-Charles Thomas told me that 2018 is a "really, really nice vintage that has quite a number of interesting aspects to it that should make the wines extremely attractive to consumers. We picked from the 3rd of September and brought in very ripe fruit with mostly generous yields. The skins were spotless and there was almost no sorting required. ... Overall, the reds are ripe, succulent and delicious and they are the perfect combination of fleshy but structured that should permit them to drink well for basically all of their lives."



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GRANDS ECHÉZEAUX GRAND CRU

A discreet application of wood sets off more reticent aromas that are also markedly spicy and floral with notably ripe fruit characters of black cherry and plum. There is good richness but also fine detail to the more subtly mineral-inflected flavors that possess that beguiling quality of inner mouth perfume while terminating in a sneaky long finish where the only nit is a subtle touch of warmth. This classy effort should age gracefully. 2033+

CLOS VOUGEOT GRAND CRU

Once again there is a lovely breadth of floral scents adding a touch of elegance to the mentholated aromas of spiced plum, dark cherry and warm earth. The relatively refined medium weight flavors possess good punch on the moderately concentrated flavors that exhibit hints of bitter pit fruit on the ever-so-mildly drying finale. 2030+

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ROMANÉE-SAINT-VIVANT GRAND CRU "LES QUATRE JOURNAUX"

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A more restrained application of woods sets off the moderately ripe yet still reasonably fresh nose that combines notes of plum liqueur, copious spice, exotic tea and violet. The impressively rich, velvety and seductive medium-bodied flavors possess good amounts of sappy dry extract that buffers the notably firm but fine tannins on the dusty and solidly persistent finish. This too should age gracefully. 2030+





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VOSNE-ROMANÉE 1ER CRU "LES BEAUX MONTS"

Slightly more subtle wood sets off the notably ripe liqueur-like aromas of various dark berries, violet and exotic tea. There is a lovely sense of underlying tension to the even more mineral-inflected flavors that terminate in a firmer and much more serious finale... 2030+



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VOSNE-ROMANÉE 1ER CRU "LES PETITS MONTS"

Very generous if not dominant wood stops short of overshadowing the black currant, plum, spice, anise and pretty floral nuances. The middle weight flavors are not quite as concentrated, but they are slightly finer with equally good minerality... 2030+



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Top Value

MOREY-SAINT-DENIS

A pretty mix displays notes of plum, dark pinot fruit and freshly turned earth. I very much like the vibrancy and detail of the acceptably concentrated flavors that possess lovely complexity on the balanced and sneaky long finale. This isn't especially dense, but I like the delivery. 2025+



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CHAMBOLLE-MUSIGNY

This is aromatically similar to the Morey-Saint-Denis but even spicier with pretty floral nuances as well that include notes of violet and lilac. The vibrant and nicely voluminous flavors possess both good detail and a subtle minerality...2025+



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NUITS-SAINT-GEORGES

This is also quite earthy with game nuances adding breadth to the various dark berry aromas that evidence a whisper of the savage. The rich and acceptably concentrated medium weight flavors possess a succulent mouthfeel before culminating in a palate coating and ever-so-mildly rustic finale. This is refreshing... 2024+



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Top Value

GEVREY- CHAMBERTIN

A slightly ripe nose is composed of gamy dark berry, plum, floral and freshly turned earth where the latter element continues onto the bigger and richer though quite supple flavors that enjoy an excellent sense of vibrancy. This is really quite good and a Gevrey villages that has promise. 2025+



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CHÂTEAU CORTON GRANCEY GRAND CRU

Moderate amounts of wood and menthol can be found on the spice, pepper and earth-suffused plum and dark currant aromas. The rich, concentrated and highly seductive middle weight plus flavors display impressively good power on the sappy, palate coating, mocha-infused and persistent finish that is shaped by somewhat raspy tannins. This will need a few years to unwind as it's pretty tight at present. 2030+



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CORTON GRAND CRU "CLOS DE LA VIGNE AU SAINT"

Slightly fresher aromas speak of both red and dark raspberry, floral and spice. The sleek if not especially dense flavors are nicely vibrant and utterly delicious while possessing a really lovely mouthfeel on the mildly warm and raspy but not really drying finale. 2030+



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VOLNAY 1ER CRU "EN CHEVRET"

This is extremely ripe with port-like aromas of poached plum and cassis. There is better freshness on the palate of the detailed and lightly mineral-inflected flavors... 2028+



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BEAUNE 1ER CRU "VIGNES FRANCHES"

A fresh, ripe and earthy liqueur-like plum and dark berry fruit-suffused nose leads to supple, round and delicious middle weight flavors that possess a velvety texture before concluding in a perceptibly warm and rustic finale. 2026+



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SAVIGNY-LES-BEAUNE

There is a mentholated top note to the more elegant essence of red and black raspberry aromas that are abundantly laced with earth characters. The lighter weight flavors are not as dense but offer even better energy on the well-detailed, refreshing and delicious finale. 2024+