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Pernand-Vergelesses Premier Cru “En Caradeux” 2023



Perfect For

Holiday Meals, Long-Term Aging, Special Occasion Splurges

Drink If You Like

Aligoté, Chardonnay, Fiano

Just across the valley from the famous grand cru hill of Corton lies a hidden Bourgogne secret, the village of Pernand-Vergelesses. It is home to around eight premier cru sites, with En Caradeux the most sought-after. And this wine showcases its high minerality with epic balance. Sweet oak spice and lemon curd sprinkled with sea salt waft up on the nose. The stunning, creamy palate offers layers of texture and acidity.

Rating : 98/100

Château Corton Grancey Grand Cru 2022



The Best Splurge Pinot Noir

Corton is the largest Grand Cru vineyard in Burgundy, a relatively large appellation covered in upward of 400 acres of vines. Maison Louis Latour purchased this château in the commune of Aloxe-Corton in the late 19th century, when phylloxera had ravaged most of Europe's wine industry. To preserve the name of the Grancey family who came before them, he named it after them: the Château Corton Grancey.

This wine is expensive, yet in the grand scheme of Grand Cru Burgundy it is an entry point to some of the best wine in the world. This wine is a blend of Bressandes, Perrières, Grèves, Clos du Roi, and Chaumes — five climats in Corton. Each is vinified individually, then blended, and the wine is made only in the best years with the best fruit.

The wine begins with a shy whisper of earthy cherries. As oxygen rushes in, it reveals a subtle, savory, peppery waft of winter roast. The palate is a study in the pure reflection of the earth in which the fruit grew. The mouthfeel is soft, with absolute harmony between fruit and acidity. It's drinking well now, but will only improve with a few years in bottle.

Rating : 98/100