



In conclusion, 2018 is a vintage full of sunshine that gave seductive, pure wines with silky tannic structure and lovely acidity, signs that the most patient wine lovers will be rewarded.

The weather profile of this vintage brings it close to vintages 2003 and 2009.

Press review



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Vintage 2018

2018 is an early-harvest vintage marked by a spring and summer that were very hot and dry, resulting in very complete ripeness and perfectly healthy grapes.

After a relatively mild and rainy winter 2017-2018, the cool, damp start of spring forecast a rather late harvest. The return of hot weather in April changed all that and the vines then set off growing very rapidly through to the end of summer. At the domain, the whole team had to double their efforts to keep up with the very active vine growth. Vine-flowering passed off perfectly from end May, announcing a harvest at the very beginning of September. The rainfall shortage in spring and summer did not pose a major problem for our vines, probably thanks to water reserves accumulated during the winter. Rain storms in the month of July allowed the vines to reach perfect ripeness at the beginning of September. Unfortunately, the storms on 3rd and 15th July provoked outbreaks of hail that seriously impacted on our sector of the Hautes-Côtes de Nuits (average loss of crop at 50%) and our parcel of 'Les Chaliois' located in Nuits-Saint-Georges (loss of around 30%).

We began harvesting on 4th September on the 'Côte' and finished on 17th September in the Hautes-Côtes. Grape healthiness was absolutely perfect and sorting was virtually unnecessary. Only the crop from hail-damaged parcels had to be very carefully sorted and we were lucky to be able to use an optical grape sorter to remove grapes damaged by hail.

This relatively early date of harvest and the perfect grape healthiness led to production of wines of great purity with beautiful freshness and bursting with fruit. The vintage already promises to be a very good one for laying down.

Burgundy Report *Bill Nanson, March 2020*

Again, lots of depth to the colour. The nose is much higher-toned, of dark fruit and almost suggesting volatility – I don't find delicate flowers here. Mouth-filling, sweeter. The texture modestly accented by the ripe tannin. It's a super finish – rather complex and textural. Overall a riper and more 2018 Côte d'Or style of presentation. I much prefer the other two wines presented by this domaine.



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A top note of menthol is present on the spicier aromas of dark raspberry and cherry. The succulent, energetic and very round flavors exude a subtle minerality on the lingering if again slightly drying finish that my projected range assumes will likely harmonize with a year or two of bottle age.

Burgundy Briefing *Sarah Marsh, November 2019*

It is a parcel which is quite steep and looking south, so riper but less acidity. Dark fruit. Rich, spicy. Juicy. Slightly burly tannin.