

Domaine Ballot-Millot 2019

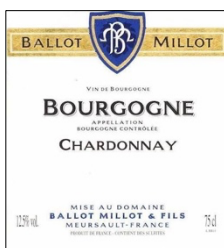


There's not too much more to be said about this stunning Domaine and it's rise to stardom that has not been said before - made in the 'Roulot School' style of winemaking – though without the corresponding price tag for the moment!

As a range the wines are energetic, textural and touched by a clear sense of terroir. The winemaking is very traditional. Harvesting is done by hand, pressing is done by whole bunches without crushing, and only indigenous yeasts are used in the cellar. There is very limited new oak (max 25% on the top wines) and no battonage to retain the finesse. Leaning towards the so called 'Roulot-style', Charles' Meursaults are racy, tense and linear, rather than the fat, buttery style Meursault that the commune was more known for 20 years ago. In 2019 there is no heaviness to the wines, despite their evident power and intensity. If you mixed up 2014 and 2015 you might not be too far away stylistically, though I think the wines are ultimately quite unique and set on their own path. These should age very well.

Please note: Due to tiny yields in 2019, preference will be given to buyers who purchased these wines in previous years, placed balanced orders and have supported Asset Wines throughout the previous year.

"This long time Meursault domaine has been steadily moving up the rankings and now competes with the top names. Good reds and frequently superb whites." Jasper Morris MW



2019 Bourgogne Blanc

@ £180 c/s IB – 5 cases available (12 bottles per case) - **SOLD OUT**

From vineyards in both Puligny and Meursault (80%), this is no cumbersome Bourgogne, although it is perhaps a little richer and more intense than usual. Good focus through the mid-palate until the puppy fat arrives on the finish, adding excellent fruit intensity.

2019 Meursault

@ £205 c/s IB – 4 cases available (6 bottles per case)

Decent bite and energy underpins this rich, almost fulsome Meursault, which is expressive and full of fruit. It should drink well in youth and perhaps will help stop raiding the Narvaux stocks whilst you wait for them to reach full maturity.



2019 Meursault Narvaux

@ £240 c/s IB – 4 cases available (6 bottles per case)

Pale primrose, exotic nose with some honeysuckle, but it is lifted and delicious at the same time, headily exciting. Not without a fresher aspect behind, though. Excellent tension at the back of the palate, driven, and very long. This certainly feels like a 1er cru and a good one.

91-93 Points, 4 Stars, Jasper Morris MW, Inside Burgundy.com



2019 Meursault 1er Cru Charmes

@ £370 c/s IB – 4 cases available (6 bottles per case) - **SOLD OUT**

From 40 year old vines in the upper part of Les Charmes. Pale primrose. Delicious classy bouquet with a very slight graphite reduction, sweet rich fruit and energy, very good weight of deep white fruit, a little bit of peach, but it infuses the core of the wine without dominating. Rich, luxurious, but well managed.

92-95 Points, 4 Stars, Jasper Morris MW, Inside Burgundy.com



2019 Meursault 1er Cru Genevrières

@ £410 c/s IB – 3 cases available (6 bottles per case) - **SOLD OUT**

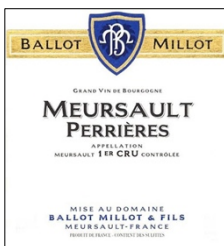
The 2019 Meursault Les Genevrières 1er Cru, which comes from 85-year-old vines, has an expressive, almost Charmes-like bouquet, wild honey mixed with heather and hints of chamomile. The oak is neatly enmeshed. The palate is very well balanced, one of the most elegant and poised contributions from this Premier Cru, offering touches of orange pith and white peach mixed with hazelnut toward the finish.

The kind of Meursault that makes you smile like a Cheshire cat.

92-94 Points, Neal Martin

From 85 year-old vines. Pale primrose again, with an attractive pure classy balanced and very typical bouquet. Really intense and very well balanced. Long stylish finish with the volume of the vintage very well harnessed. Excellent acid integration.

92-96 Points, 4 Stars, Jasper Morris MW, Inside Burgundy.com

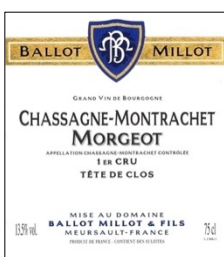


2019 Meursault 1er Cru Perrières

@ £480 c/s IB – 3 cases available (6 bottles per case) - **SOLD OUT**

Clean lemon and lime. There follows a rich, more than exotic, nose and you can sense the ripeness, which Perrières can cope with. A massive wine, grand cru intensity, which also shows how and why it can cope with the extra degree. Some fresh and ripe pear notes, a wine of volume and majesty at the limit of ripeness. Very distinguished for the long term.

93-97 Points, 5 Stars, Jasper Morris MW, Inside Burgundy.com



2019 Chassagne-Montrachet 1er Cru 'Morgeot Tête de Clos'

@ £295 c/s IB – 3 cases available (6 bottles per case)

This particular plot (Tête de Clos) arguably represents the best part of Morgeot, where the soil is much more limestone-based and ideal for making high class white wine. This 2019 version is lovely, although sadly volumes are well down as it was even more heavily frosted than it was in 2016. It is so much livelier and more restrained than most Morgeots and shows a captivating salty quality that adds drive and persistence. Great texture, very intense and long.

The 2019 Chassagne-Montrachet Tête du Clos Morgeot 1er Cru comes from part of the climat with more limestone. It has quite a striking, menthol- and licorice-tinged bouquet that revels in the exoticism of the 2019 but does not allow it to impede upon the terroir. The palate is well balanced with pure fruit –passion fruit, tinned pineapple chunks – and a touch of spice and crushed stone toward the finish, which has plenty of extract. There is a sense of fun about this Chassagne that will make it tempting in its youth, but I suspect that its more intellectual side will only be revealed with bottle age.

90-92 Points, Neal Martin

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Wines to be shipped Summer 2021.