

Domaine Faiveley 2019

Traditionally seen as a negociant, Domaine Faiveley bought many plots over the past decades and is now one of the largest domaines in the Côte d'Or. They own plots in most top appellations, and are making wine that rivals in quality with the other famous families.

These wines are now very much in demand, and with this year's small crop, it will be difficult to satisfy everyone. Please see below for a wide selection, but small amounts unfortunately...

The Domaine, under the stewardship of Erwan Faiveley, has invested heavily in new state of the art winemaking facilities, employed the brilliant Jérôme Flous as winemaker and has a much more considered use of new oak. In short, these wines are outstanding and highly recommended.

"Erwan Faiveley is showing no signs of sitting still. The change in style since his arrival has been well heralded, but there are more subtleties involved than might be apparent at first. It is not just a straightforward question of eschewing the firm tannins attributed to Francois Faiveley's time and going for a more supple fruit-forward style. In fact, over the last couple of vintages there are signs of greater structure in the red wines, with cooler fermentation temperatures and a longer time in vat. I get the impression that other qualitative innovations are in the pipeline. In addition to that the original cellars have been entirely renovated while the lesser wines have been moved to a modern facility on the outskirts of Nuits. The renovation work in fact caused the old cellars to be colder than usual, which retarded the malolactic fermentations."

Jasper Morris MW, Inside Burgundy

Please note: Balanced orders across the board will be looked at more favourably than just orders for Grand Cru, I would suggest a ratio of at least 1:1, Grand Cru: Premier Cru to be considered. Premier Cru can of course be ordered on their own. 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.





2019 Corton Clos des Cortons Faiveley, Grand Cru

@ £770 c/s In Bond – 4 cases available (6 bts per case) - SOLD OUT

"Clos des Cortons Faiveley" has been owned by the Faiveley family as a monopole since 1874. It is the domaine's flagship wine and one of just two Burgundian Grands Crus to bear the name of its owner (Romanée-Conti being the other).

The 2019 Corton Clos des Cortons Faiveley Grand Cru comes from the 2.77-hectare monopole. This was actually quite closed on the nose compared with Faiveley's Gevrey Grand Crus, coming across earthy and rather sullen at first, and opening with earthy/woodland aromas.

The palate is medium-bodied with supple tannins and harmonious on the entry. The fine, lightly spiced finish reveals clove and touches of graphite. Nice persistence here. This holds a lot of promise.

93-95 Points, Neal Martin

Very dense red purple, lively though, and holds up after the sensuality of Clos de Bèze. Stricter. Darker fruit, very good structure here, fills out the palate, dark raspberry, with slightly more severe tannins. Very good fruit acid balance. This works very well, and has a distinguished future. Lightly saline to finish.

93-96 Points, 5 Stars, Jasper Morris MW, Inside Burgundy.com



2019 Mazis-Chambertin, Grand Cru

@ £995 c/s In Bond – 4 cases available (6 bts per case) - SOLD OUT

This climat is named after the small houses known as "Mazis" that used to be present on this parcel. It is the most northern of the Gevrey-Chambertin Grands Crus. Our parcel lies in the "Mazis Haut" (upper Mazis) and offers a unique terroir composed of an alluvial cone where scree from the valley has gathered. The wines produced in this climat are seductive, lively and very deep.

The 2019 Mazis-Chambertin Grand Cru was reduced on the nose, making it difficult to read at the moment, though the palate is certainly well balanced, featuring crunchy black fruit laced with red currant and a generous sprinkling of cracked black pepper toward the finish. Intuition tells me this is a great Mazis-Chambertin; it will just need time.

93-95 Points, Neal Martin

A darker purple than the Charmes or Latricières. Power on the nose, this is a big boy this year which isn't always the case – the Faiveley Mazis can be more floral in some years. But it is Muscular Mazis in 2019. Very significant weight of dark raspberry, just a little bit of heat behind, then some acidity and even minerals maintaining the balance **94-97 Points, 4 Stars, Jasper Morris MW, Inside Burgundy.com**



2019 Latricières-Chambertin, Grand Cru

@ £860 c/s In Bond – 3 cases available (6 bts per case) - SOLD OUT

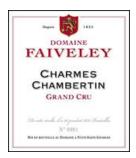
This climat was called "Petite Merveille" (Little Wonder) in the Middle Ages, a sign of the high quality of the wines produced here. "Latricières-Chambertin" dates back to 1508 and is the most southern Grand Cru in Gevrey-Chambertin. This wine reveals exceptional balance between minerality (reminiscent of Clos de la Roche) and depth (close in style to a Chambertin).

The 2019 Latricières-Chambertin Grand Cru has more cohesion and intensity than the Charmes-Chambertin, presenting lovely brambly red berry fruit mingled with potpourri and light loamy aromas. The palate is medium-bodied with fine-boned tannins, taut and crisp, displaying good depth and an animated chalky, briny finish. Classic in style, this is a superb Latricières from Faiveley, though it will need cellaring.

94-96 Points, Neal Martin

Excellent depth of crimson purple. The bouquet is immediately striking for its depth of fruit, sense of nobility, and no sign of an over hot vintage. The oak is very well judged here and the wine comes through with superb depth and balance. Better yield here. The fruit has a small liquorice note at the end, very well integrated with the pure red fruit. **95-98 Points, 5 Stars, Jasper Morris MW, Inside Burgundy.com**





2019 Charmes-Chambertin, Grand Cru

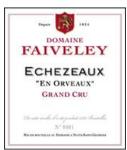
@ £780 c/s In Bond – 3 cases available (6 bts per case) - SOLD OUT

This charming Grand Cru is situated on the most northern part of the hillside, in the commune of Gevrey-Chambertin. The production areas for the Charmes-Chambertin and Mazoyères-Chambertin appellations are the same and it is the Charmes-Chambertin appellation that is usually specified.

Jérôme Flous believes their Charmes-Chambertin is 'the closest in style among our wines to Rousseau's'.

The Charmes-Chambertin is a blend of Domaine fruit (ex Dupont-Tisserandot) and purchased grapes from the neighbour, vinified separately then blended. This has just a light reductive nose before the sweet strawberries and cream kick in. It is ripe, not unbalanced, the reduction reprising towards the finish. Fine length again.

93-95 Points, 4 Stars, Jasper Morris MW, Inside Burgundy.com



2019 Echezeaux 'En Orveaux', Grand Cru

@ £815 c/s In Bond – 3 cases available (6 bts per case) - SOLD OUT

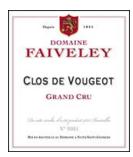
The first records of Echezeaux date back to the end of the 13th century. The monks from the abbey of Citeaux were aware of the outstanding quality of this terroir and its wines and had traded certain parcels in order to acquire land in Echezeaux. Our parcel lies in one of the appellation's sub-climats: "En Orveaux" lies on a slope close to the Chambolle-Musigny 1er Cru "La Combe d'Orveau".

The 2019 Echézeaux En Orveaux Grand Cru is one of the few cuvées to includes 25% whole bunch. It has a light, airy bouquet of dark berry fruit, incense and a touch of lavender. The palate is medium-bodied with dry tannins on the entry, the stem addition lending quite a strong black pepper note toward the finish, which just feels a little abrupt.

91-93 Points, Neal Martin

30% whole bunch. One of the lighter colours, but still a full, attractive purple. White marl, without clay or stones. But there is a sweetness of fruit and a tension holding it in place. Perhaps just a mite less precision, less daintiness than some years.

93-96 Points, 4 Stars, Jasper Morris MW, Inside Burgundy.com



2019 Clos de Vougeot, Grand Cru

@ £785 c/s In Bond – 5 cases available (6 bts per case) - SOLD OUT

In the Middle Ages, the monks of Cîteaux undertook works on this Clos which is surrounded by small drystone walls. It took them over 2 centuries to build the Clos as we know it today. The demarcation of the Clos was defined in the 14th century and the boundary wall was built in the 15th century. 82 owners currently share the 50 hectares of this iconic Burgundian clos. Faiveley own 3 parcels here, an indication of the sheer complexity of Bourgogne. 2 parcels are situated in the lower part of the clos and the 3rd in the centre of the clos near to the château.

The 2019 Clos Vougeot Grand Cru comes from Faiveley's 1.27-hectare parcel. It has a floral nose with potpourri and light lavender aromas that partially occlude the fruit expression. The palate is lithe on the entry with modest depth and quite tertiary in style, and a keen thread of acidity lends freshness on the finish. A little austere in style, it opens with aeration to offer a very minerally finish. Here, it put the Echézeaux 2019 in its place.

93-95 Points, Neal Martin

Much more massive of course than the Echezeaux which preceded it. There are no stems retained, though Jérôme Flous thinks he might like to try some in Clos Vougeot. A reductive wood note is slightly interfering with the purity of the nose. Certainly very sweet fruit on the palate, on the chunky side, but that's fine for a young Clos Vougeot.

94-96 Points, 4 Stars, Jasper Morris MW, Inside Burgundy.com



2019 Nuits St Georges 1er Cru Les Porets Saint Georges

@ £300 c/s In Bond – 7 cases available (6 bts per case)

The origins of the appellation's name are not entirely clear. It could be an ancient word for "poiriers" (meaning pear tree). It is situated in the South of the village in the "Les Porêts" climat and its rustic style is similar to that of the "Les Saint-Georges". In 1855 this area was stated by Dr Lavalle to be one of the very best in Nuits. The family is very attached to these vines as they were the very first to be purchased by the Domaine in the 1830's.

Bright ruby-red. Captivating violet and lavender lift to the aromas of black cherry, menthol and bitter chocolate. Juicy, energetic and sharply delineated, showing terrific thrust to its dark fruit, liquorice and spice flavours. The impression of tactile minerality carries through to the aromatic, long finish.

2019 Nuits St Georges 1er Cru Les Damodes

@ £325 c/s In Bond – 7 cases available (6 bts per case)

The term "Les Damodes" makes reference to the Druidesses who previously inhabited the area. These vines are planted at high altitude, bordering Vosne-Romanée, and produce a mineral wine with very delicate tannins. A smooth and very feminine wine!

A cooler site at the top of the hill, on sandy soil which fortunately does not appear to have dried out. Rich purple, lively, ripe cherry with a few raspberry infiltrations, Nicely proportioned oak.

90-93 Points, 4 Stars, Jasper Morris MW, Inside Burgundy.com

2019 Chambolle Musigny 1er Cru Charmes

@ £410 c/s In Bond – 4 cases available (6 bts per case)

Good medium red. A coulis of wild raspberry and strawberry on the nose. Very ripe and sappy in the mouth. Notes of game and leather add complexity. Finishes smooth, lightly saline and persistent. Chambolle-typical flowers and mint on the back end, finishing with sneaky length and lift.

2019 Chambolle Musigny 1er Cru Les Beaux Bruns

@ £370 c/s In Bond – 4 cases available (6 bts per case)

The plot "Aux Beaux Bruns" is situated at the North of the village and just below "Les Groseilles" climate.

Dark red with ruby tones. Smoky redcurrant & iron on the nose. Sweet and lush but with surprising lift to the flavours of red fruits and spices, all in perfect balance. Classic Chambolle with a lovely mineral spine running through it.

2019 Gevrey Chambertin 1er Cru Cazetiers

@ £430 c/s In Bond – 6 cases available (6 bts per case) - SOLD OUT

The term "Cazetier" originates from "Castel", the parcel situated just above the Château de Gevrey. It is one of the rare "Têtes de Cuvée" to not have been reclassified as a Grand Cru in the 1930's. Along with "Lavaux-Saint-Jacques" and "Clos Saint-Jacques", this climat is considered to be one of the best Premiers Crus in Gevrey. The Domaine has owned half of the appellation since 2013.

This is a mix of their five cuvées, Faiveley being easily the largest holders of Cazetiers. Deep bright purple, with a very toasty reductive nose. Super-lush yet perfectly balanced behind, has not lost the precision, but gained in volume of fruit. Finishes on the mineral even with a saline touch. Jérôme and Erwan have fallen in love with this, and I cannot say they are wrong. Very seductive finish.

94-97 Points, 5 Stars, Jasper Morris MW, Inside Burgundy.com





2019 Corton Charlemagne

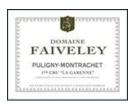
@ £900 c/s In Bond - 1 case available (6 bts per case) - SOLD OUT

Legend has it that the Corton hillside was once planted exclusively with red grape variety and that Charlemagne himself had a penchant for these wines. Unfortunately, the red wine left scarlet stains in the Emperor's flowing beard and his wife feared that this would bring shame upon the royal dignity. Charlemagne therefore decided to pull out the red vines and replant the vineyards with white grape variety in order to continue drinking his favourite wine. The Faiveley family purchased this parcel in 1874 along with the Corton "Clos des Cortons Faiveley"

Grand Cru Monopole. The two parcels are situated side by side just above Ladoix-Serrigny.

More yellow than primrose. There is the usual superb energy to this wine but on a richer fuller scale. The fat fruity feel which comes from using cultured yeasts. Massive and very good on the palate, the stones are there with a lemon minerality. Long finish. Should be excellent.

94-96 Points, 4 Stars, Jasper Morris MW, Inside Burgundy.com



2019 Puligny Montrachet 1er Cru La Garenne

@ £360 c/s In Bond – 3 cases available (6 bts per case)

Puligny added the name of its most famous grand cru 'Montrachet' to its name in 1879. Puligny-Montrachet boasts exceptional terroirs for Chardonnay.

The climat of "La Garenne" is situated just below that of "Champ Gain", in the heights of the village.

Bright, very pale yellow. Lemon curd, green apple, crushed rock, vanillin oak, mint and a floral note on the nose. Juicy, stony and intense.



2019 Puligny Montrachet 1er Cru Les Folatieres

@ £370 c/s In Bond – 2 cases available (6 bts per case) - SOLD OUT

1er Cru La Folatières is located in the heart of the slope of Puligny Montrachet and is arguably the most famous 1er Cru of this appellation.

Pale, green-tinged yellow. Lemon cream and white flowers on the nose, lifted by a mineral perfume. Offers a lovely combination of texture and lift, with bright, complex flavours of citrus fruits, menthol and white flowers. Precise, stylish and long.

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Wines to be shipped Summer 2021.