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Tasted by Andy Howard MW

CHABLIS GRAND CRU LES CLOS Domaine Long-Depaquit: 94

Cool, understated with plenty of concentration and structure waiting to flesh out over the next three to five years. A restrained Les Clos with plenty of smoky characters emphasising the vibrant notes of orange zest on the palate. Very subtle wood adds to the complexity. A fine wine in the making and a very good result for new winemaker Louis Gimonnet.

CHABLIS 1^{ER} CRU LES VAILLONS Domaine Long-Depaquit: 91

A fine blend of white peach and pear fruit on the palate, some lifted floral notes and plenty of drive on the finish. New winemaker here, Louis Gimonet, is bringing his own interpretation to this significant domaine, part of the important Bichot group. Should age well for three to four years.

CHABLIS 1^{ER} CRU LES LYS Domaine Long-Depaquit: 91

A plush, rounded Les Lys with plenty of acidity to keep the palate in check. Mineral notes on the finish. Plenty going on here - this wine will benefit from at least six months ageing in bottle as everything is still very primary. But there is no shortage of concentration and the wine will continue to develop well.



Tasted by Charles Curtis MW

MEURSAULT 1^{ER} CRU LES CHARMES Domaine du Pavillon: 92

The Charmes from Domaine du Pavillon is slightly closed at first but opens with time to show a lush, ripe fruit with more honeyed character than the village-level wine. The texture shows the concentration from the low yields (17 hl/ha)—it is dense with extract, but the acidity is concentrated as well, and the overall balance is vibrant and lively. The grapes come from three parcels that total 1.17 hectares, two in Charmes Dessus and one in Charmes Dessous.

MEURSAULT Domaine du Pavillon: 92

The village-level Meursault from Domaine du Pavillon boasts ripe aromas of quince, lemon peel, spice, and butter on the initial attack. The flavours continue with impressive definition and depth, leading to a remarkably well-balanced texture with fresh acidity, plenty of extract, and enough stuffing to carry it to a lingering finish. The grapes come from five parcels totaling 2.3 hectares, all located in the northern part of the village between the town and the border with Volnay.

