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2017 CHABLIS

The **2017 Chablis** is a silky, perfumed and open-knit wine with lovely depth to play off the lifted floral aromatics. Lemon confit, white flowers, mint and white pepper add brilliance to this racy, polished Chablis. **90**

The **2017 Chablis Les Lys 1er Cru** is powerful, dense and savory with lots of energy. Savory herbs, dried flowers and lemon peel come together in a Chablis that is bright, punchy and full of character. The 2017 is a bit hearty and rough around the edges, but it certainly isn't lacking in depth or intensity. **90**

The **2017 Chablis Les Vaillons 1er Cru** is resonant and super-expressive. Lemon confit, almond, dried herbs, crushed flowers and mint come together in an attractive, nuanced Chablis that will drink well right out of the gate. The finish dries out just a touch. Otherwise, the 2017 is nicely done. **90**

The **2017 Chablis Montmains 1er Cru** is soft, open-knit and expressive, with no hard edges and plenty of immediacy. Bright citrus and floral character adds lift. There is not a ton of complexity here, but the 2017 makes up for that with its creamy, inviting personality. Hints of orange peel and white flowers linger nicely on the close. **90**

The **2017 Chablis Les Vaucopins 1er Cru** is bright, precise and lifted. Floral, citrus and spice notes are nicely delineated. There is good energy and resonance here. **89**

The **2017 Chablis Les Blanchots Grand Cru** is soft, precise and understated. White orchard fruit, lemon peel, crushed flowers, mint give this delicate, inviting Chablis its classy personality. Overall the **2017** is very pretty and quite supple. It will drink well with minimal cellaring. **91**

The **2017 Chablis Les Vaudésirs Grand Cru** is soft and creamy in feel. Hazelnut, pineapple, dried flowers, orange peel and tropical overtones give the Vaudésirs its distinctly flamboyant personality. **90**

The **2017 Chablis Les Clos Grand Cru** is quite rich and powerful. Tropical fruit, exotic spice and strong oak inflections give the Clos its breadth and sweetness. The 2017 is nicely done. **91**

A heady, powerful wine, the **2017 Chablis Les Preuses Grand Cru** captures the house style at its best. What impresses most is a real sense of explosive energy that gives the wine shape and persistence. Moreover, the Preuses clearly has the stuffing to handle the 100% new oak. With a bit of air the flavors and textures open up nicely. **93**

The **2017 Chablis La Moutonne Monopole Grand Cru** is powerful and explosive in the glass, with tremendous textural resonance and richness that builds into the substantial finish. The Moutonne captures all of the signatures of the house style in its breadth and overall feel. **92**