



FAIVELEY CORTON CLOS DES CORTONS FAIVELEY GRAND CRU 2012

Now at seven generations, Domaine Faiveley has been a family estate for nearly 200 years and gained a solid reputation for producing truly stunning Burgundy from Côte de Nuits, Côte de Beaune and Côte Chalonnaise - totalling over 120 hectares. The Clos des Cortons Faiveley is a stunning Grand Cru example, produced from vines planted as long ago as 1936. Each year typically sees just 16,000 bottles, which considering its global appeal isn't that many.

Smooth, enticing and powerful with black cherry and an abundance of white pepper spice.

£100 from Grand Vin Wine Merchants UK

NUIT ST GEORGES LES MURGERS DES CRAS PERROT MINOT 2016

I always love discovering a wine that despite its youth is able to be enjoyed right now, not after 20 years of ageing in my cellar. The creations of Christophe Perrot-Minot represent just that. Here we have a blend of several vineyard parcels that offer a vibrant and juicy dark cherry, raspberry and strawberry alongside a subtle minerality and savouriness.

£140 from Hedonism



Your Lockdown Guide to Comforting Reds

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As we (hopefully) are beginning to enter the final stages of this lockdown, many of us will be nearing our limits. There was a time where we visited restaurants or wine bars for our weekly fix, but our attention is now focused on enhancing what we do in the home. In this issue's drinks guide, I've put together a selection of some of my favourite luxury reds from Europe and the USA for those cool evening nights. Also, don't forget that you don't have to down the whole bottle in one go. If you're getting your hands on some pretty nice wines, seriously consider investing in a Coravin which will allow you to have a glass of each over a very long period of time. It's nice to switch things up and I truly believe a few glasses of something different will allow you to appreciate the wine a lot more than six of the same. Right, let's get to it!

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TENUTA DI TRINORO, IGT, 2010

When Andrea Franchetti discovered this site in the deep south of Tuscany, he knew the terroir was like nothing he'd seen before. As a Bordeaux man, terroir is everything and so removing acres of scrubs and deserted woodland he planted his vines, did his thing and naturally word spread. 9,700 vines are hand-picked bunch by bunch with several passages through the vines to ensure optimum ripeness. The wine itself is created from 60% Cabernet Franc, 35% Merlot, 4% Cabernet Sauvignon and 1% Petit Verdot. The result? Stunning juicy red fruits with tobacco, spice, savoury smoke and a kiss of minerality binding it all together. **£137 from Corney & Barrow**



DE BURIS VALPOLICELLA CLASSICO DOC AMARONE RISERVA 2008

This vineyard is only 1.9 hectares. Known as Groletta, in the small municipality of Sant'Ambrogio, it is famed for producing the highest-quality wines within the Valpolicella Classico zone. The selected grapes are placed on bamboo racks (Arele) and left to dry for 110 days before being pressed and left to ferment for 30 days in oak vats. After two stages of malolactic fermentation (over two years) followed by ageing in Slavonian oak barrels for a period dependent on the seasonal phases of the moon, the juice is then aged five years in oak. Talk about quality care. Complex notes of dark fruit, spice, liquorice and dark chocolate with an incredibly long velvety finish. **£277 from Hedonism**

MARQUÉS DE MURRIETA CASTILLO YGAY GRAN RESERVA ESPECIAL 2010

One of the most beautiful Rioja wines in existence as far as I'm concerned. Murrieta is one of the oldest and most respected wineries in the region, dating all the way back to 1852. The legendary Castillo Ygay sits atop the perch of its offering and does so for a reason. The Grand Reserva itself comes an old single vineyard named "La Plana", which is about 485 metres high and to top it off, this wine is only made during exceptional vintages. A beautiful array of meadow flowers hits your nose with truffle, baking spice, bright red cherries and a delicate parfum lingering in anticipation. Intense yet refined with a satin soft mouthfeel. **£92 from Winebuyers**



CHÂTEAU HAUT-BRION : 2012

One of the most famous wineries in Bordeaux, Château Haut-Brion came into new ownership in 1935 with Clarence Dillon. Prince Robert of Luxembourg is also the Chairman of the estate, which gives an idea of its quality and reputation. The 2012 vintage is a steal, given the vintages either side of it were deemed to be 'better', but it holds up in the bottle nicely. Two-thirds Merlot, the wine has a blackberry backbone with helpings of freshly ground espresso, vanilla oak and a delicate violet. Soft, rich and juicy with a stunning finish. **£256 from Lay & Wheeler**

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