

★ 5 Star Wine

2019, St-Romain Perrière, Domaine Henri & Gilles Buisson ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ 92

Pale lemon and lime with a brisk fresh reduction, this has a wonderful brisk elegance and real intensity. Wonderful detail, chiselled, concentrated, makes one salivate. The first St-Romain tasted is good enough to be my favourite, only I have not tried the others yet! Tasted: December 2020

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2019, St-Romain Sous La Velle, Domaine Henri & Gilles Buisson ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ 93

Pale lemon and lime with a deliberate reduction plus a slightly more ample white fruit. Flint stones and peanuts on the nose for Fred Buisson! This mildest of reductions really tightens the wine up with an excellent crystalline backbone, lime fresh finish yet the fruit is clearly ripe. Astonishingly good. Complex ripe citrus fruit. The product of old vines on clay. Tasted: December 2020

2019, St-Romain Sous Le Château, Domaine Henri & Gilles Buisson ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ 91

Pale lemon colour, the fruit is a little bit softer though still with the struck flint reduction. Incredible intensity, south facing on the rock, just a little less character today than Sous la Velle though. Tasted: December 2020

2019, Corton-Charlemagne Grand Cru, Domaine Henri & Gilles Buisson ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ 94-96

The one wine tasted, which has not yet been bottled. They cannot use a tractor here, working by horse instead, because bizarrely the rows start 1m apart at the top and end up just 90cm apart below. Their vines are in the higher part of Le Charlemagne, so despite being grand cru this vineyard is actually picked after St-Romain. Fine mid yellow, clearcut, with an evident weight of fruit, as yet unevolved partnered by a touch of biscuit from the barrel. The palate too delivers significant weight, really building, near perfect density behind, a very good example. Tasted: December 2020

2019, St-Romain Combe Bazin, Domaine Henri & Gilles Buisson ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ 91

Rich dense glowing purple, attractively perfumed, grows steadily in the glass, sensual peonies, violets too, a little thread of acidity, red fruit behind, potentially thrilling. Very long charming finish. Tasted: December 2020

2019, St-Romain Sous Roche, Domaine Henri & Gilles Buisson ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ 91

Fine mid purple, pure clean nose, really beautiful expression of fruit on the cusp of red and black, absolutely seamless, long smooth fine classy aftertaste. Tasted: December 2020

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2019, St-Romain Sous Roche "Absolu", Domaine Henri & Gilles Buisson ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ 93

They select 10 of their barrels for not getting sulphur, those that seem naturally a bit reductive. These are then bottled as "Absolu". Glowing purple, the bouquet brings such a smile to the face, the fruit is both more floral and perhaps a touch darker, and even more is revealed in the aftertaste. More of the spicy white pepper to finish. Glorious! Tasted: December 2020

2019, Beaune, Domaine Henri & Gilles Buisson ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ 90

Delicious, mid purple, quite a delicate nose, but sensual and tender in the mouth, less personality than the St-Romains, but still delicious. Tasted: December 2020

2019, Volnay Les Chanlins 1er Cru, Domaine Henri & Gilles Buisson ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ 92

Medium deep purple, this starts quietly then develops considerably weight towards the back of the palate, with very good acidity, definitely a crunchy finish around some strawberry notes. Tasted: December 2020

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2019, Corton Rognet & Corton Grand Cru, Domaine Henri & Gilles Buisson ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ 94

From the lower part of the vineyard on a well-drained limestone soil. Glowing purple, very lively, vigorous and charming, but with finesse too, additional layer of velvet, a bit of black cherry, very good length. Tasted: December 2020

2019, Corton Les Renardes Grand Cru, Domaine Henri & Gilles Buisson ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ 93

Red soil on clay, "Amoureuuses" in the sense that the clay can stick to the feet. The first to be picked as this site does not enjoy the drought. Another fine clean purple. Very morello cherry in style, sweetly sensual, but with firmer tannins from the low yield. Tasted: December 2020

2019, Chassagne-Montrachet En Remilly 1er Cru, Henri & Gilles Buisson ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ 94

Pure light primrose. This is a tiny bit less reductive, the bouquet more reminiscent of the top of the milk, sweeter fruit in style plenty of fruit, indeed stretches out in ripe sensual fashion behind. Plumply satisfying, but still with some crystalline energy behind. Tasted: December 2020