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Bouchard Père & Fils Chambertin-Clos de Bèze Grand Cru 2015

Offering scents of black cherry, licorice, minerals and medicinal spices. Wonderfully silky and seamless but also quite firm, with its currant, licorice and salty mineral flavors lifted by a peppery element that is no doubt at least partly from the stems. The tactile, powerful, slowly mounting finish displays extremely refined tannins and saturates the taste buds. Left behind a captivating perfume of dried flowers in the empty glass.



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Bouchard Père & Fils Echézeaux Grand Cru 2015

Dark red with ruby tones. Medicinal aromas of black cherry, coffee and chocolate complicated by an enticing floral nuance. Very suave and smooth but not especially sweet, with its ripe chocolate cake and blackberry preserve flavors leavened by salty minerality and a strong impression of soil. More airy and energetic in the mouth than the Suchots despite its almost voluptuous texture. Finishes very long, with polished, late-arriving tannins.



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Bouchard Père & Fils Nuits-Saint-Georges Les Cailles 1er Cru 2015

Medium red-ruby. High-pitched aromas of blackberry, licorice and crushed rock. Compellingly sweet and fine-grained but with penetrating rocky minerality to its crunchy dark berry flavors. Reminded me of biting into a blueberry tart! The smooth but firm, slowly building finish displays outstanding purity and juiciness. This beauty has the sheer density of material to make its tannins virtually disappear.



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Bouchard Père & Fils Pommard Rugiens 1er Cru 2015

Bright, dark red with ruby tones. Aromas of cassis, iron and underbrush convey an almost metallic minerality. Sappy, fine-grained and suave, with building intensity to its berry and mineral flavors. The wine's distinctive blend of sweet and salty elements is classic Rugiens. Finishes very ripe and long, with refined tannins and terrific energy.



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Bouchard Père & Fils Volnay Caillerets Ancienne Cuvée Carnot 1er Cru 2015

Ripe aromas of black cherry, spices, minerals and chocolate, lifted by violet and white flowers. Dense, silky and seamless wine with mouthfilling dark berry and chocolate flavors framed by harmonious acidity. Not liqueur-like or at all roasted in spite of the site's rocky, poor soil and the very dry summer. In fact, Weber considers this to be one of the best wines of the 2015 vintage for Bouchard. Finishes very long, with refined tannins spreading out horizontally to saturate the palate. A wine of noteworthy finesse, this beauty fills the mouth without coming across as weighty.



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Bouchard Père & Fils Beaune Grèves Vigne de L'Enfant Jésus 1er Cru 2015

Bright ruby-red. Liqueur-like ripeness to the aromas of purple fruits, bitter chocolate and cotton candy; smells very concentrated. Plush and large-scaled, displaying outstanding density and a seriously mouthfilling quality to its dark cherry and dark chocolate flavors. A very tactile, broad Beaune wine with a finish that's ripely tannic and very long--and not at all over the top. The best of an impressive set of Beaune premier crus in 2015.



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Bouchard Père & Fils Le Corton Grand Cru 2015

Bright red-ruby. Medicinal scents of kirsch and licorice show a positive burnt note. Distinctly tighter and more clenched than the Pommard Rugiens, without the early pliancy of that wine but with terrific energy and clarity to its black fruit and licorice flavors. This very young, juicy, firmly tannic wine.



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Bouchard Père & Fils Bonnes-Mares Grand Cru 2015

Dark red with ruby tones. Very ripe aromas of blueberry, violet and spicy oak, along with suggestions of exotic fruits. Plush and fat with fruit, conveying an extravagant impression of sucrosité--and rather low acidity--to its flavors of cherry liqueur and chocolate.



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Bouchard Père & Fils Clos Vougeot Grand Cru 2015

Healthy dark red. Subtle dark fruits, licorice and coffee on the expressive nose. At once silky and vinous, with an impression of almost peppery acidity enlivening the wine's black fruit flavors.



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Bouchard Père & Fils Volnay Taillepieds 1er Cru 2015

Bright red with ruby tones. Super ripe yet fresh aromas of dark cherry, strawberry jam and dark chocolate. Fat, plush and very concentrated; very ripe and chocolatey in the mid-palate but not a sweet style.



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Bouchard Père & Fils Beaune Teurons 1er Cru 2015

Bright red-ruby. More backward and medicinal on the nose than the Clos de la Mousse, offering aromas of black cherry and crushed stone. Very concentrated but youthfully backward and dominated in the early going by its serious backbone of ripe tannins. But this wine boasts lovely Pinot purity and energy in a very dark style and finishes with excellent clarity and length.



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Bouchard Père & Fils Beaune Clos de la Mousse 1er Cru 2015

Bright red-ruby. Sexy scents of red and black currant, iron and tobacco, plus a whiff of animal fur. At once sweet and salty, displaying a fine-grained texture to its black cherry fruit.



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Bouchard Père & Fils Beaune du Château Rouge 1er Cru 2015

Bright medium red with ruby tones. Fresh aromas of raspberry, black cherry, minerals, smoke and mocha. Suave and concentrated, conveying a slightly medicinal quality and a gravelly nuance to its intense black cherry and chocolate flavors. This very ripe, smooth wine possesses very good depth and length. The substantial ripe tannins dust the front teeth and build.



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Bouchard Père & Fils Gevrey-Chambertin 2015

Bright, dark red with ruby tones. Cool aromas of blackberry, boysenberry, mint and licorice are complicated by stony minerality. A pliant, juicy midweight with lovely density and intensity to its dark berry flavors. Finishes with firm but fine-grained tannins and very good length. Should make an excellent village wine.



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Bouchard Père & Fils Vosne-Romanée Les Suchots 1er Cru 2015

Dark red with ruby highlights. More liqueur-like and extreme than the Gevrey villages that preceded it in my tasting, offering notes of tropical dark chocolate and licorice. Quite concentrated and plush but a bit high-toned; shows a chocolate element that I associate with this premier cru.



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Bouchard Père & Fils Chambolle-Musigny 2015

Bright medium red. Complex of youthfully tight aromas of wild blackberry, dark raspberry, blueberry, licorice and menthol. Then surprisingly supple in the mouth, but with a youthfully medicinal cast to its dark berry, licorice and stone flavors. The 25% whole-cluster component is keeping the wine's flavors under wraps today and accentuating its tannins, but the finish displays noteworthy floral persistence.



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Bouchard Père & Fils Nuits-Saint-Georges 2015

Bright, moderately saturated medium red. Aromas of blueberry, blackberry and menthol are lifted by a violet topnote. A round, fruity style of Nuits-Saint-Georges with fresh berry flavors enlivened by flowers and spices. Finishes with substantial dusty but edge-free tannins. An outperformer for this wine chez Bouchard, providing yet more evidence that 2015 was able to produce strong, ripe wines at every level of the vineyard hierarchy.



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Bouchard Père & Fils Savigny-lès-Beaune Lavières 1er Cru 2015

Offers distinctly darker fruit aromas than the villages Savigny, along with menthol and pepper accents. Then softer but more concentrated on the palate, with flavors of blackberry, menthol and licorice. Finishes spicy and firmly tannic.



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Bouchard Père & Fils Pommard 2015

Bright medium red. Sweet, expressive scents and flavors of red cherry, spices and herbs, plus a touch of licorice. Velvety in the mid-palate for village Pommard, then fresh and firmly tannic on the lingering back end. Solid wine.



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Bouchard Père & Fils Savigny-lès-Beaune 2015

Enticing floral lift to the aromas and flavors of raspberry and cherry. A sweet, suave wine with attractive energy and definition. Licorice and menthol notes provide lift. This will be perfect for restaurant wine lists.

