



CHABLIS PRODUCERS

Top 25

Domaine Long-Depaquit

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Albert Bichot, Dom. Long-Depaquit, Chablis GC La Moutonne

Richer, broader and denser than the 2014, which was one of the whites of the vintage, this so-called "eighth Grand Cru" (a blend of mostly Vaudésir with a little Preuses) is more Côte d'Or like in 2015, with toasty oak and more texture. It's only on the finish that the salinity kicks in. 2018-24

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Albert Bichot, Dom. Long-Depaquit, Chablis GC Les Clos

This is almost as good as the 2014 bottling of Les Clos, which is some achievement given how different the vintages are. The Bichots' two parcels were picked at the same time and were entirely fermented in older oak. Almond paste and struck match notes are complemented by racy minerality, salinity and subtle oak. Shows the class of the terroir. 2018-25

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Albert Bichot, Dom. Long-Depaquit, Chablis GC Les Blanchots

In a year when the picking season was unusual to say the least in Chablis, this vineyard was harvested first, when it's normally last. It was the right choice, because this is a typically restrained, patrician white from this east-facing Grand Cru. Focused, balanced and very long. 2018-25

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Albert Bichot, Dom. Long-Depaquit, Chablis GC Les Preuses

Always among the best and most consistent of the Chablis Grands Crus, Les Preuses is a wonderfully patrician vineyard. This 0.25-hectare parcel is situated just above La Moutonne and is entirely oak fermented. Smoky and intense, with a core of chalky acidity, it needs more time in bottle to integrate, but will age well. 2018-25

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Albert Bichot, Dom. Long-Depaquit, Chablis GC Les Vaudésirs

The Bichot plantings are on the south-facing part of Vaudésirs, which ought to be bad news in a year like 2015. This may lack the focus and vivacity of the 2014, but it's still a very well judged wine with fine-grained oak and floral, pear and citrus fruit flavours. 2017-22

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Albert Bichot, Dom. Long-Depaquit, Chablis PC Les Beugnons

Bottled earlier, like many of the Long-Depaquit whites in 2015, to preserve precious freshness, this comes from a warm, stony, protected site. It's on the rich side, with flavours of banana and passion fruit, but the acidity is clean and crunchy with a twist of grapefruit pith. 2017-22

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Albert Bichot, Dom. Long-Depaquit, Chablis PC Les Lys

Les Lys, the only Chablis Premier Cru to face north, often comes up trumps in hot vintages like 2015. This unoaked, iodine and seaweed-scented white is typically crisp, pithy and well defined with a cool elegance and a long, saline finish. Seafood heaven. 2017-25

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Albert Bichot, Dom. Long-Depaquit, Chablis PC Montmains

Long-Depaquit's Montmains comes from a single parcel in Forêts and was 25% oak-fermented in 2015. The terroir faces southeast, but this is not an over-ripe wine, showing subtle cinnamon oak, aromas of white flowers and crushed rock and a long, pithy finish. 2018-23

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Albert Bichot, Dom. Long-Depaquit, Chablis GC Bougros

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Albert Bichot, Dom. Long-Depaquit, Chablis PC Les Vaucopins

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Albert Bichot, Dom. Long-Depaquit, Chablis PC Les Vaillons

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Albert Bichot, Dom. Long-Depaquit, Chablis PC Montée de Tonnerre

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Albert Bichot, Dom. Long-Depaquit, Chablis





Côte de Nuits wines

96 Albert Bichot, Dom. du Clos Frantin, Echézeaux GC
The Bichot parcel is located in the Champs Traversins lieu-dit, where it is influenced by the proximity of the Combe d'Orveau. This is the best Clos Frantin Echézeaux I've ever tasted, achieving new levels of finesse and balance. Floral, bright and textured with very subtle oak. 2022-30

96 Albert Bichot, Clos de la Roche GC
Sourced from a single supplier of grapes - that the Bichot team decide when to pick - this is a very impressive rendition of one of Morey-St-Denis' two great Grands Crus. It's a serious, fairly muscular wine, with plummy concentration, pithy acidity and well-integrated oak. 2025-35

96 Albert Bichot, Chambolle-Musigny PC Les Amoureuses
The Bichot Les Amoureuses is often the best négociant bottling from this famous Premier Cru and that's certainly the case in 2015. It's a pale, refined, feline Pinot Noir with classis rose petal and peony notes, a core of red fruit sweetness and silky, palate-caressing tannins. 2020-28

95 Albert Bichot, Gevrey-Chambertin PC Lavaux-St-Jacques
Given its position at the bottom of the cool Combe de Lavaux, it's no surprise that the Premier Cru made such balanced wines in a hot vintage. This is a very polished, refreshing Pinot with redcurrant and pomegranate fruit, a dusting of oak and chalky acidity. 2022-28

94 Albert Bichot, Dom. du Clos Frantin, Grands-Echézeaux GC
I usually prefer the Frantin Grands Echézeaux to the Echézeaux, but the reverse is true in 2015. This is still a very smart wine, but it needs time in bottle. Rich, dense and sinewy with quite a bit of new oak and a firm, chew finish. Grand Cru that will reward patience. 2025-35

94 Albert Bichot, Chambolle-Musigny PC Les Chabiots
Located in the middle of the slope, close to Les Amoureuses, Les Chabiots is a comparatively little known Premier Cru. Less concentrated than its more famous neighbour, but this has some of the same perfume and balance. Floral, refreshing and fine. 2020-26

94 Albert Bichot, Morey-St-Denis PC Les Sorbets
Les Sorbets is a comparatively protected site, surrounded by houses and cellars in the lower part of the village. Like a cross between a Morey and a Chambolle, with floral aromas, sweet red plum and strawberry fruit, nuanced oak and fine tannins. 2020-26

94 Albert Bichot, Nuits-St-Georges PC Chaînes Carteaux
There's just a hint of reduction on this impressive Premier Cru, but it will almost certainly disappear before bottling. The underlying fruit is scented and richly textured, with a foundation of firmish tannins. One to cellar. 2024-30

93 Albert Bichot, Charmes-Chambertin GC

93 Albert Bichot, Dom. du Clos Frantin, Chambertin GC

93 Albert Bichot, Dom. du Clos Frantin Clos de Vougeot GC

93 Albert Bichot, Fixin PC Clos de la Perrière

93 Albert Bichot, Dom. du Clos Frantin Vosne-Romanée PC Les Malconsorts

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92 Albert Bichot, Nuits-Saint-Georges PC Château Gris

94 Albert Bichot, Le Dom du Ch. Gris, Nuits-St-Georges Les Terrasses

Something of a curiosity in Pinot Noir-dominated Nuits-St-Georges, this comes a parcel of Chardonnay that's located behind the town at 300 metres. It shows the richness and ripeness of the vintage, but there's crunchy freshness here too, as well as fine-grained oak. Worth seeking out, and not just as a curiosity. 2018-23



Côte de Beaune reds

- 94** **Albert Bichot, Dom. du Pavillon, Corton GC Clos des Maréchaudes**
Located in the same clos as the Premier Cru of the same name, this comes from the upper part of the vineyards where the soils are very poor indeed. It's a very pure expression of the Grand Cru, with pepper spice and red berry flavours, chalky acidity and fine tannins, especially for a Corton. 2024-30
- 93** **Albert Bichot, Dom. du Pavillon, Aloxé-Corton PC Clos des Maréchaudes**
- 93** **Albert Bichot, Dom. du Pavillon, Pommard PC Les Rugiens**
- 93** **Albert Bichot, Dom. du Pavillon, Volnay PC Les Santenots**
- 91** **Albert Bichot, Dom. du Pavillon, Pommard Clos des Ursulines**
- 91** **Albert Bichot, Santenay PC Clos Rousseau**
- 90** **Albert Bichot, Santenay Les Charmes**



Côte de Beaune whites

- 96** **Albert Bichot, Criots-Bâtard-Montrachet GC**
This was picked comparatively late for the vintage, and made with purchased must, but it's remarkably fresh and focused. Showing less oak than the 2014 was at this stage, it's savoury, spicy and well balanced with fresh pastry and lemon tart flavours and a chalky finish. 2018-25
- 95** **Albert Bichot, Dom. du Pavillon, Corton-Charlemagne GC**
Picked comparatively early - Corton-Charlemagne can be a rich wine as it is - this is a very well judged expression of the Grand Cru, which has minimised the effect of the hot conditions. Zesty, leesy and sensitively oaked, with a lovely combination of power and focus. Balanced and long. 2018-25
- 94** **Albert Bichot, Chassagne-Montrachet PC Vide Bourse**
Bichot make this appealingly named Premier Cru with purchased must. Located close to Bâtard-Montrachet, but very different in style, it has attractive white flower aromas, oatmeal and citrus flavours and a taut chiselled finish. One of the crisper Chassagnes in 2015. 2018-25
- 94** **Albert Bichot, Dom. du Pavillon, Meursault PC Charmes**
Bichot combine three parcels, all of them in the lower part of Charmes, to make this delicious Meursault. It's at the riper end of the spectrum, reflecting the warmth of the vintage, with thick skins adding a hint of tannin. Sappy, well balanced and appealingly oaked, with just the right amount of honeyed sweetness. 2018-23
- 93** **Albert Bichot, Dom. du Pavillon, Beaune PC Clos des Mouches**
- 93** **Albert Bichot, Dom. du Pavillon, Meursault**



Bourgogne, Côte Chalonnaise, Maconnais

- 90** **Albert Bichot, Bourgogne Pinot Noir Secret de Famille**
- 91** **Albert Bichot, Dom. Adélie, Mercurey PC Champs Martin**
- 90** **Albert Bichot, Dom. Adélie, Mercurey Les Champs-Michaux**
- 89** **Albert Bichot, Mâcon-Lugny Les Charmes**

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