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Chablis – Domaine Francois Raveneau and Maison Patrick Piuze

Dear valued customer

We are pleased to be able to offer to you a selection of Chablis from two of the region's highly regarded producers. The first, Domaine Francois Raveneau, really needs no introduction, having long been regarded Chablis' premier producer. The second, Maison Patrick Piuze, has only been established since the 2008 vintage, but is already garnering rave reviews, and in hushed tones, is being spoken of as possibly the next Francois Raveneau.

All of the wines are in particularly limited supply, and in the case of the Raveneau, extremely limited (in a couple of cases, only one bottle is available). We have necessarily had to restrict the sale of Raveneau to a limit of one bottle of any one wine per customer (customers can order one bottle of each wine, so up to 8 bottles in total).

The wines will generally be allocated on a "first in, best dressed" basis, although where we have the ability to satisfy several customers by balancing orders, we will endeavour to do so. Stock availability is extremely limited, all wines are 750ml bottles unless otherwise stated and all wines are currently in stock.

Should you wish to enquire about any of these wines, please call Nick or Daniel on (03) 9419 6990, or email nick@mwwines.com.au or daniel@mwwines.com.au.

Finally, we have provided tasting notes and scores (where available) from Burghound, who's scoring system is much more conservative than other reviewers, with guidelines as follows:

95 – 100: Truly incomparable and emotionally thrilling. A wine so rated is as good as Burgundy gets. By definition, it is reference standard for its *appellation*.

90 – 94: Outstanding. Worth a special effort to purchase and cellar and will provide memorable drinking experiences.

85 – 89: Good to High quality. Burgundies that offer solid quality in every respect and generally very good typicity. "Good Value" wines will often fall into this category. Worth your attention.

80 – 84: Average to Good quality. The wine is "correct", displays no noticeable flaws and will provide pleasing, if straightforward, drinking.

76 – 79: Barely Acceptable quality. The wine is not worth your attention nor is it a good value.

75 and Below: Don't Bother. A wine with noticeable, irremediable flaws.



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Domaine Francois Raveneau (2008 and 2009)

“Brothers Jean-Marie and Bernard Raveneau run Chablis’ best domaine – a surprisingly small establishment. Harvesting is entirely by hand here. Yields are never excessive. The wines are vinified with natural or selected yeasts, depending on the vintage, and matured for up to 18 months in old barrels or half-barrels. Raveneau’s corks are sealed with wax.

What is impressive about the Raveneau Chablis is that they are invariably very expressive of both their terroirs and their vintages. No two wines are alike. They are very pure and are capable of long ageing. This is the way to produce top quality Chablis.” Clive Coates, The Wines of Burgundy

“Bernard Raveneau said that the 2009 vintage “reminds me a lot of the 2000 vintage though in certain cases, 2006 also comes to mind. We began picking on the 14th of September and brought in a very clean crop of between 52 and 58 hl/ha, which is somewhat more generous than what we realized in 2008. The fruit was also quite ripe as sugars ranged between 12.5 and 13%, which means that there was essentially no chaptalization. The post-malo pHs were good if not exceptional as they settled in a range of 3.2 to 3.3, which will allow the wines to possess good vibrancy. I think the ‘09s will be popular even though they’re not quite as classically styled as 2007 or 2008.” As to the now in-bottle Raveneau 2008s, they are brilliant wines that are even better than I imagined that they would be and are very much worth your attention.” Allen Meadows, Burghound Issue 40

2008 Chablis 1er Cru ‘Butteaux’

\$105 per bottle

The benefit of the older vines is apparent as this is notably more complex than either the Forêts or the Montmains with its broad-ranging nose of subtle wood, green fruit, citrus, tidal pool, wet stone and saline notes where the salt and mineral elements continue onto the detailed, intense and exceptionally pure flavors that ooze Chablis character on the palate staining and impeccably balanced finish. One to strongly consider. 93/2015+

2008 Chablis 1er Cru ‘Montee de Tonnerre’

\$115 per bottle

A more elegant as well as more refined but also much more reserved nose of white flower and salt water aromas is very much in keeping with the equally refined, pure and silky middle weight flavors that possess excellent detail and precision on the textured and seductive finish that displays grand cru level persistence. This is not quite as rich as the Butteaux but it's finer as the chiseled flavors are flat out gorgeous. In a word, stunning. 94/2016+

2008 Chablis Grand Cru ‘Valmur’

\$175 per bottle

A background touch of wood frames green fruit, white flower and salt water aromas that introduce ultra pure, refined, elegant and cool flavors that possess terrific vibrancy and focused power before culminating in a driving, understated, firm and altogether serious finish. I very much like this as it's classic Valmur and should age beautifully as the balance is perfect. Perhaps the best way to capture the



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spectacular potential of this wine is to call it brilliant. Don't miss it but note that patience is required.
97/2018+

2008 Chablis Grand Cru 'Les Clos'

\$175 per bottle

This too is impressively pure and cool with an airy but reserved mix of floral, spice, mineral reduction and iodine notes merging seamlessly into gorgeously intense and almost aggressively stony medium-bodied flavors that exude a subtle sense of harmony, indeed this is Zen-like on the explosive, balanced and lingering finish that positively screams Chablis. This is simply fantastic and while I have a very slight preference for the Valmur, this is certainly an inspired effort as well. If you can find it, don't miss this either but also like the Valmur, be prepared to be patient. 96/2020+

2009 Chablis 1er Cru 'Butteaux'

\$86 per bottle

This is completely different with its intense soil tones, green fruit and oyster shell notes, all of which can also be found on the relatively powerful, intense and stony middle weight flavors that coat the palate with dry extract on the austere lemon-suffused and tension-filled finish. This excellent effort is quite dry in the context of the vintage. 92/2015+

2009 Chablis 1er Cru 'Montee de Tonnerre'

\$89 per bottle

Subtle wood sets off aromas of flowers, oyster shell and tidal pool that complement perfectly the racy, pure and strikingly well-detailed medium plus weight flavors that brim with minerality on the delicious, mouth coating and impressively long finish. This beautifully vibrant and concentrated effort should drink well young and age well too plus it's more classic in style than many wines from this vintage. 93/2016+

2009 Chablis Grand Cru 'Valmur'

\$149 per bottle

A much more reserved nose of fresh, cool and restrained green fruit, sea breeze and wet stone aromas precedes detailed, minerally and impeccably well-balanced and gorgeously persistent flavors that are Zen-like in their sense of harmony. There is a real sense of energy and flat out terrific length. 94/2016+

2009 Chablis Grand Cru 'Les Clos'

\$159 per bottle

A discreet touch of wood frames exceptionally fresh and bright aromas of ripe citrus, oyster shell, tangerine and white flower that are very much in keeping with the refined, detailed and quite powerful middle weight flavors that are a good deal less evolved compared to the rest of the range and culminate in a palate staining finish. I like the underlying material and in 2009 this massive yet perfectly balanced effort is the star of the cellar. 95/2017+



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Maison Patrick Piuze

“The irrepressible Patrick Piuze, who has worked with Jean-Marie Guffens at Verget and Jean-Marc Brocard, has struck out on his own to found an eponymous négociant. Moreover, the quality levels he has achieved are nothing short of sensational given that 2009 is only his second vintage and that he is buying in fruit. When I inquired as to how he was managing to make such fine wines with purchased fruit, Piuze explained that his experience with Verget and Brocard exposed him to the practices of the very best growers as well as their identities. He also forcefully forswears corrections of any kind, which includes chaptalization, enzymes, acidification as well as new wood (he uses 6 to 8 year old wood at present with some stainless, depending on the wine in question). As Piuze puts it “the only thing truly original in the world of wine is the underlying terroir and I have nothing else interesting to add. Anyone can copy anyone else’s techniques so what else is there to make great wines? I believe the answer is simple: Terroir. I want to work only with the fruit from old vines and even then, only old vines that are planted exclusively within the original boundaries of Chablis. If I respect these things, it will be almost impossible to make bad wine.” I highly recommend trying a few examples of the Piuze wines if your taste runs to pure and completely unadorned classically styled Chablis” *Burghound, Issue 40*

Whilst not noted above, Patrick Piuze has also unofficially “moonlighted” at Domaine Francois Raveneau, so between these three domains (Verget, Brocard and Raveneau), he has been exposed to the very best of Chablis, and this indeed shows in his wines. Like Raveneaux, all of Patrick’s wines are sealed with wax. Destined to become one of the superstars of Chablis, I can’t recommend Patrick Piuze’s wines to you highly enough. They also represent excellent value for money.

2010 Chablis ‘Terroir de Chicée’

\$30 per bottle

A barely discernable hint of exotic fruit adds depth to the otherwise classic aromas of green fruit and oyster shell that merge into rich, intense and solidly precise medium-bodied flavors that possess an attractive sense of underlying tension on the citrus-driven finish.. 87-89/2013+

2010 Chablis ‘Terroir de Fye’

\$35 per bottle

A ripe yet attractively complex nose of green fruit, tangerine and sea shore nuances gives way to dense, serious and extract-rich medium weight flavors that possess solid power and focus on the lemon-inflected and impressively long finish. Excellent quality at this level. 89-91/2014+

2009 Chablis 1er Cru ‘Vaucopin’

\$54 per bottle

An expressive and relatively elegant nose of wet stone, oyster shell, lemon and green fruit complements the equally mineral-suffused, detailed and beautifully precise flavors that possess plenty of energy and punch on the notably dry, mildly austere and lingering finish. I like this for its considerable Chablis character. 90/2014+



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2009 Chablis 1er Cru 'Vaillons les Minots' (69 year old vines)

\$69 per bottle

Mild reduction knocks down the nose but the rich, full-bodied and utterly delicious flavors possess excellent depth and in contrast to the Fourchaume, the equally dry and impressively persistent finish is crisp, pure and linear. This is really lovely stuff with ample minerality. 90-92/2014+

2009 Chablis 1er Cru 'Montee de Tonnerre'

\$75 per bottle

An elegant and pure nose of white flowers, green fruit, lemon and oyster shell hints leads to rich, supple and well-concentrated medium-bodied flavors that are relatively fine yet powerful with an abundance of almost pungent minerality on the palate staining, balanced and impressively persistent finish. Lovely juice that possess so much mid-palate fat that it's already approachable though it will be capable of aging to good effect if desired. 92/2014+

2009 Chablis Grand Cru 'Vaudesir'

\$99 per bottle

After a problematic showing from cask due to residual fermentation aromas, in contrast to the Butteaux, this has cleaned up nicely with its notably ripe yet strikingly elegant nose that offers up notes of white and yellow orchard fruit, stone and tidal pool. There is impressive intensity to the mouth coating, powerful and highly energetic flavors that possess very solid length if, akin to the Grenouilles, more limited overall depth than the best here. 92/2015+

2009 Chablis Grand Cru 'Bougros – Cote de Bouqueyreaux'

\$115 per bottle

\$245 per MAG

Cool floral, green fruit and citrus aromas complement perfectly the rich, intense and powerful flavors that culminate in an energetic mineral-driven and hugely persistent finish that evidences a distinct saline component. I love the inimitable combination of intense minerality, power and refinement plus this is unusually precise for the vintage. 94/2016+

2009 Chablis Grand Cru 'Valmur'

\$245 per MAG

An enveloping and strikingly elegant nose displays aromas of green fruit, lemon, sea breeze and iodine where the latter is also picked up by the rich, intense and moderately austere flavors that possess excellent detail and drive on the admirably dry and spectacularly long finish. This is really quite fine in the context of the vintage and the impeccable balance should permit this to age well if desired yet there is so much dry extract that it could already be enjoyed now. 94/2015+



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ORDER FORM

Wine	BH Score	Price incl GST	Order (Bottles)	Extended Cost
<u>Domaine Francois Raveneau*</u>				
2008 Chablis 1er Cru 'Butteaux'	93	\$105		
2008 Chablis 1er Cru 'Montee de Tonnerre'	94	\$115		
2008 Chablis Grand Cru 'Valmur'	97	\$175		
2008 Chablis Grand Cru 'Les Clos'	96	\$175		
2009 Chablis 1er Cru 'Butteaux'	92	\$86		
2009 Chablis 1er Cru 'Montee de Tonnerre'	93	\$89		
2009 Chablis Grand Cru 'Valmur'	94	\$149		
2009 Chablis Grand Cru 'Les Clos'	95	\$159		
<u>Maison Patrick Piuze</u>				
2010 Chablis 'Terroir de Chichee'	87-89	\$30		
2010 Chablis 'Terroir de Fye'	89-91	\$35		
2009 Chablis 1er Cru 'Vaucopin'	90	\$54		
2009 Chablis 1er Cru 'Vaillons Les Minots'	90-92	\$69		
2009 Chablis 1er Cru 'Montee de Tonnerre'	92	\$75		
2009 Chablis Grand Cru 'Vaudesir'	92	\$99		
2009 Chablis Grand Cru 'Bougros – Cote de Bouqueyreaux'	94	\$115		
2009 Chablis Grand Cru 'Bougros – Cote de Bouqueyreaux' MAGNUM 1.5ltr	94	\$245		
2009 Chablis Grand Cru 'Valmur' MAGNUM 1.5ltr	94	\$245		

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