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DOMAINE MICHEL MAGNIEN Clos de la Roche Grand Cru 2014 – 92-95 points

“Bright, dark red. Reticent but very pure nose combines dark fruits, brown spices, dried rose, licorice and violet. At once plush and energetic, offering an almost chocolatey ripeness to its sweet dark berry and mineral flavors. This wonderfully rich wine finishes with pungent, soil-driven minerality and a serious tannic spine to support aging. This wine represents a blend of four different parcels, which Fred Magnien says results in a complete wine.”

DOMAINE MICHEL MAGNIEN Charmes-Chambertin Grand Cru 2014 – 91-93 points

“(100% from Mazoyères): Bright, dark red. Blackberry, mint and licorice on the pure but restrained nose. Juicy and intensely flavored, conveying enticing sweetness to its dark berry and violet flavors. This fruit was picked later than the vines that supply Magnien's négociant Charmes-Chambertin but these vines are older and typically yield fresher, blacker fruits. Finishes firmly tannic and juicy, with a lingering violet perfume.”

DOMAINE MICHEL MAGNIEN Clos-Saint-Denis Grand Cru 2014 – 91-93 points

“(from vines planted in 1974 and 1971): Bright, dark red. Pure, high-pitched aromas of blackberry, licorice, violet and dark chocolate lifted by a minty nuance. Wonderfully sweet and thick in the mouth but without any impression of heaviness, as there's more than enough energy here to clarify the superconcentrated fruit. Finishes juicy but a bit youthfully tough, with firm tannins and superb lingering fruit.”



DOMAINE MICHEL MAGNIEN Gevrey-Chambertin Cazetiers 1er Cru 2014 – 91-93 points

“Healthy bright red. High-pitched, distinctly cooler aromas of blackberry, black raspberry, minerals and violet, accented by a minty nuance. This always has the lowest pH in the cellar, says Frédéric Magnien, in this case 3.35. Intensely flavored but very tightly wound, conveying a strong impression of energy to the dark berry and saline flavors. Finishes a bit youthfully austere but refined and long, with terrific verve. This strikes me as more like a 2013 than a 2014, but I like this style.”

DOMAINE MICHEL MAGNIEN Morey-Saint-Denis Chaffots 1er Cru 2014 – 91-93 points

“(from red and orange clay soil over rock on the mid-slope): Healthy dark red. Subtly perfumed, soil-driven scents of minerals, dried flowers and musky underbrush, with a distinct iron quality. Offers a classic Morey blend of savory and sweet, with the flavors of brown spices, flowers, iron and earth already conveying strong personality. A concentrated, serious Morey for aging, this is about much more than simple Pinot fruit.”

DOMAINE MICHEL MAGNIEN Gevrey-Chambertin Les Goulots 1er Cru 2014 – 90-92 points

“Good dark red. Very closed, reduced nose hints at musky raspberry and darker berries. Surprisingly ripe and round on entry, with good thickness but also excellent framing energy to its dark fruit and mineral flavors. Finishes with youthfully chewy tannins that reach the front teeth.”

DOMAINE MICHEL MAGNIEN Morey-Saint-Denis Aux Charmes 2014 – 90-92 points

“(from a 40-year-old massale selection; Fred Magnien pointed out that his father Michel created his own massale blend): Bright medium red. The enticing nose offers a lovely combination of red berry fruit, peppery herbs, spices and salinity, all lifted by a pungent calcaire element. Juicy, tactile and light on its feet if a bit youthfully imploded today. Finishes firm and long. These vines produced a lower crop than the Blanchards in 2014. Magnien noted that, with the exception of the Bourgogne, no clones are planted in the domain vineyards. In his négociant operation, he similarly seeks out massale vines that are at least 40 years old.”

DOMAINE MICHEL MAGNIEN Chambolle-Musigny Sentiers 1er Cru 2014 – 89-91 points



“Bright medium red. Reticent, chalky aromas of raspberry, white pepper, herbs and spices. Fat and broad but quite dry today, with its fruit in the background. This wine from soil rich in white marl is in an awkward stage today but its juicy mineral character is already apparent.”

DOMAINE MICHEL MAGNIEN Morey-Saint-Denis Millandes 1er Cru 2014 – 89-91 points

“Bright medium red. Less floral and fruity and more peppery on the nose than the Aux Charmes; smells drier. Then concentrated and backward on the palate, conveying a restrained sweetness to its black cherry fruit. Has the fruit intensity to support its serious tannins, but this youthfully saline wine from very old vines will need cellaring upon release.”

DOMAINE MICHEL MAGNIEN Morey-Saint-Denis Blanchards 1er Cru 2014 – 88-90 points

“Good medium red. Very ripe red berry flavors show a delicate note of lilac as well as a wild quality. More powerful than the village Morey but also more dominated by its firm tannic structure in the early going. These vines are located right next to one of Magnien's négociant parcels but this vineyard is farmed organically. Finishes with substantial dusty, slightly drying tannins and very good length.”

DOMAINE MICHEL MAGNIEN Morey-Saint-Denis 2014 – 88-89 points

“(a blend of multiple vineyards, mostly located just below Chenevery): Good medium red. Expressive aromas of red fruits and coffee. Plush and sweet, offering an almost candied ripeness to the flavors of red berries, coffee, mocha and brown spices. A very good village wine with firm but ripe tannins.”

