

Vincent Girardin



Eric Germain picked from 17th September, starting with whites for first five days, started reds on 6th through to 10th, mixing the two colours, and picking just over long evenings. Yields were 45-48t/ha in red and whites at 95, slightly above 2022. (bunches were a little higher than some, 13.5-14t for red Terroir Cru, more typically 13.2t for the whites, all white wines were still in barrel, with fully representative samples while the reds were being racked, samples taken prior to the operation). The reds received typically an 18-day maceration, including a short oxygen-masseration, with a little punching down and some pumping over. Some wines had a proportion of whole bunches.

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VINTAGE:WINE:TAUSTED:COLOUR:STAR:SCORE:

2023, Meursault Les Tillets, Vincent Girardin

200% dechance, a glowing pale primrose. Ripe citrus, quite a sensual nose for Tillets, clearly going on from, notably long finish, with the right acidity balance. A very good example. (Gives from 2021-2028, tasted Oct 2024).

Star rating: 4.5/5100pt score: 92-94VIEW FULL DETAILS+ TO MY CELLAR

2023, Meursault Les Cèpes-Tillets, Vincent Girardin

Bonoma. An even better yellow. Just a little more aromatic in the nose than Tillets. Very clean white fruit, with considerable refinement, picked at the ideal time, with excellent lift at the finish. Just the extra mineral note over Tillets. (Gives from 2021-2028, Tasted Oct 2024).

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2023, Meursault Les Maréaux, Vincent Girardin

Two fields domaine in Les Granges de Nervaux and Les Chauxes de Nervaux, the red Nervaux/Bonoma from purchased grapes from vines they manage. Always best to be bottled as it really takes time to express itself. A little less soft in the nose yellow. This is indeed less expressive than the Cèpes Tillels, but the range of fruit at the back confirms how good this wine will become. (Gives from 2029-2032, Tasted Oct 2024).

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2023, Paligny-Montrachet Les Charmes, Vincent Girardin

Amateur yard for the domaine, but previously famous very successfully. Pale in colour and slightly blunted on the nose, but the quality of Paligny-Montrachet shows on the palate, with a little acidity on top of the loose structure. Already a good wine, but a few years of further farming will make a difference. (Gives from 2021-2028, Tasted Oct 2024).

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2023, Paligny-Montrachet Le Champ-Sain ter Cru, Vincent Girardin

All purchased grapes, about 100 vines to themselves from a plot in upper central Champ-Sain. Fresh pale lemon, attractive story, with plenty citrus note at the back. (Gives from 2021-2032, Tasted Oct 2024).

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2023, Paligny-Montrachet Les Folatières ter Cru, Vincent Girardin

Clusters from several different sources. Attractive mid yellow. A little bit of sunshine white showing fresh. This is very even handed, with a fine tactile strength, once again the mineral aspect of the finish, and considerable length. Some other vintages could dig deeper. (Gives from 2026-2033, Tasted Oct 2024).

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2023, Paligny-Montrachet Les Combettes ter Cru, Vincent Girardin

A fresh pale primrose. This is a little bit tighter but there is also a fine refreshing mineral quality at the back and good persistence, Eric thinks that this finding is in the best spot by the woods. Combettes keep it on the summer side, which is noted thing in these warmer times. Tasted Oct 2024.

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2023, Meursault-Blagney ter Cru, Vincent Girardin

La Place-Bon is this. Moderate yellow. Cit and fresh, with a citrus energy that is quite impressive. Just a light reduction which comes across as quite pretty too. Very incisive at the finish, all white fruit. (Gives from 2029-2033, Tasted Oct 2024).

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2023, Meursault Les Charmes-Dessus ter Cru, Vincent Girardin

Domaine, a fine bright lemon yellow. The nose is compelling, showing the flesh of Charmes but in refined format. There is a massive volume of fruit behind, yet nothing unduly heavy, matches right across the palate. (Gives from 2029-2034, Tasted Oct 2024).

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2023, Meursault Les Gervolées ter Cru, Vincent Girardin

Another vibrant fresh yellow. The nose suggests but doesn't quite show the full character of this vintage. The rest is a bit more pronounced too, but quite together today, but I don't imagine weight at the back. Fresh lemon around again Eric. Hides lemons too I. Easy to misjudge this as it shows today, but I suspect it will come through. (Gives from 2029-2034, Tasted Oct 2024).

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2023, Meursault Les Perrières ter Cru, Vincent Girardin

All organic vines. Really full lemon yellow. Again, the nose starts quietly though there are some minerals. The citrus wash is present on top of a milder white fruit. The stone keeps the palate tingling. Very long-lived with a subtle note in finish. (Gives from 2029-2036, Tasted Oct 2024).

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2023, Chassagne-Montrachet Mangot ter Cru, Vincent Girardin

Famille Girardin, vines managed by the Vincent Girardin team. (Grown by Mangot standards, but there is a hint. Palenades, all in white fruit, not massive and not overly sunny, very well managed. (Gives from 2021-2024, Tasted Oct 2024).

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2023, Chassagne-Montrachet Le Remandé ter Cru, Vincent Girardin

2 barrels, supplied in wood. Pale lemon. Again, strikingly elegant with just a light touch of caramel. Elegant but magnificent, with a little herbal subtlety on the nose, and a lovely and ever-changing fruit profile which keeps unfolding. It for less density but it's (there is a bit late picked). A little concentration of yellow fruits behind. Works well for those who like the more complex approach. (Gives from 2021-2026, Tasted Oct 2024).

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2023, Chassagne-Montrachet Le Cailloré ter Cru, Vincent Girardin

Mid yellow and immediately acidic on the nose. This does have good tension though on the palate and ticks on in excellent story format, so the tension does show through the rather ripe aspects. The juxtaposition of the two aspects though perhaps sits in well with Cailloré than Le Remandé. (Gives from 2029-2034, Tasted Oct 2024).

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2023, Chassagne-Montrachet Blanchet-Dessus ter Cru, Vincent Girardin

Mid lemon yellow, what an astonishingly clean nose. Floral notes on top of the exquisite fruit, there is a thread of grapefruit through the middle. (Gives tension, really beautifully done. (Gives from 2026-2035, Tasted Oct 2024).

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2023, Corton-Charlemagne Quintessence Grand Cru, Vincent Girardin

Première classe Corton side. Light yellow with an exceptional story bouquet, but still indicating fresh to follow which there is. Medium length still rich and of punch, the Quintessence/Grand just quite taken shape. (Gives from 2021-2024, Tasted Oct 2024).

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2023, Blenvenne-Billard-Montrachet Grand Cru, Vincent Girardin

Bringing pale primrose. The bouquet suggests class and refinement more than power but the detail remains clear. Very elegant, suggest small stones, a little bit of a velvet coating. Beautiful but certainly fine. (Gives from 2026-2035, Tasted Oct 2024).

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2023, Billard-Montrachet Grand Cru, Vincent Girardin

Pure fresh lemon yellow. The nose demonstrates significant weight over and above the Blenvenne. This is all in white fruit, massive, rightly record this has a potential over and above, and all white. A note youthful bitterness. (Gives from 2030-2040, Tasted Oct 2024).

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2023, Montrachet Grand Cru, Vincent Girardin

Mid yellow. Fresh but ripe, more ripe notes with a tension and running through the middle. Very good, but needs the summer a little bit too evidently. The Montrachet may not quite match the weight and class of the Billard-Montrachet on today's showing. (Gives from 2030-2038, Tasted Oct 2024).

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2023, Beaune Clos des Aigres ter Cru, Vincent Girardin

Domaine vines. 20% whole bunch vitifications & folksy purple. Quite comprehensive on the nose for an area which is normally rather red. It's a bit more of the finish. Dark berry fruit. (Gives from 2021-2022, Tasted Oct 2024).

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2023, Pernand Epénets ter Cru, Vincent Girardin

Purchased fruit, half as grapes and half as wine, almost entirely from Grands Epénets. All declassified. Growing purple and a very lively fruit on the nose, much more subtle than the Beaune. I have known Epénets and greater scale but this is really well put together, plenty of energy in the dark fruit and a fine long finish. (Gives from 2021-2024, Tasted Oct 2024).

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2023, Pernand Rogiers ter Cru, Vincent Girardin

A deep and even crimson purple. There is clearly a lively upper Rogiers note here and the balance is excellent. (Gives fresh fruit to the deep red fruit and good persistence. Two barrels, purchased as wine. (Gives from 2026-2036, Tasted Oct 2024).

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2023, Volnay Les Sarcenets ter Cru, Vincent Girardin

Purchased as grapes from vineyard which the Girardin team manage. A richer purple and clearly ripe ripe grapes. First picked among the reds. A certain richness across the palate, almost a little angular behind. (Gives from 2026-2036, Tasted Oct 2024).

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2023, Volnay Les Filaires ter Cru, Vincent Girardin

Domaine fruit with 50% whole bunches, for even crimson to purple. Even just 50% whole bunches lifts the nose, with some lovely notes. (Gives with 100% whole bunches, a little bit of wine but there is a velvet coating on top of the berries, which speaks fully of Volnay and a great finish. (Gives from 2024-2035, Tasted Oct 2024).

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2023, Volnay Les Champans ter Cru, Vincent Girardin

Domaine fruit, all declassified because there is enough energy in the wine without. A glowing purple, with beautifully balanced red berry fruit, picked at the perfect moment, one suspects, a good thread of acidity too. In this relatively structured vintage. (Gives from 2026-2036, Tasted Oct 2024).

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2023, Volnay Clos des Chênes ter Cru, Vincent Girardin

All domaine, a small holding of 2 parcels between Lafon and Boche-Gary. 50% whole bunch vitifications. Midpurple, a slight invisible effect from the whole bunches, with a delicious mouthful of bright ripe apple, with just a little strawberry to finish. Long and lively. (Gives from 2030-2040, Tasted Oct 2024).

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2023, Corton Perrières Grand Cru, Vincent Girardin

Purchased grapes, vitified with 50% whole bunches. Quite a dense purple, and a little acidity at the moment. This is certainly the highest to date but there is proper proportion. A dark tonality (a little note for the fruit, some tension as it is usual here, and far longer. (Gives from 2026-2033, Tasted Oct 2024).

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2023, Chames-Chamberlin Grand Cru, Vincent Girardin

Purchased as wine with 20% whole bunch vitifications. Concentrated purple with a red note to the nose. A classic of this appellation, though once in the mouth, with a dense core strawberry and a relatively creamy texture. The palate is toned, there is adequate acidity, and a long finish. Two barrels. (Gives from 2034-2045, Tasted Oct 2024).

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2023, Clos Vougeot Grand Cru, Vincent Girardin

Purchased as wine, declassified, just one barrel. Very intense purple, balanced, indeed on the very side. A touch of sandstone from the barrel, an elegant structure with greater tension, and plenty of fruit to cover the tones. Should be evocative for its accessible. (Gives from 2020-2028, Tasted Oct 2024).

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