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2013 Domaine Heresztyn-Mazzini Bourgogne Pinot Noir

Rating: (86-88)
Drink: 2015-2018

The 2013 Bourgogne Pinot Noir is completely destemmed and sees no new oak. It has light brambly red fruit on the nose, nicely defined, with chalk dust notes coming through with aeration. The palate is medium-bodied with light tannins, nicely judged acidity, simple red cherry fruit leading to a easy-drinking, natural, slightly tart finish. Fine.

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2013 Domaine Heresztyn-Mazzini Morey Saint Denis 1er Cru les Millandes

Rating: (87-89)
Drink: 2016-2024

The 2013 Morey Saint Denis 1er Cru les Millandes, which was raised with 50% whole-bunch fruit, has a ripe and generous bouquet with delineated raspberry, cranberry and slightly ferrous aromas. The palate is medium-bodied with supple tannins, harmonious and smooth in the mouth, though it does not quite have the complexity of the Gevrey premier crus toward the finish. Still, this is a decent Morey Saint Denis.

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2013 Domaine Heresztyn-Mazzini Gevrey Chambertin 1er Cru la Perriere

Rating: (89-91)
Drink: 2017-2027

The 2013 Gevrey-Chambertin 1er Cru la Perrière was debudded around 50% in July after the poor weather, in order to increase the potential concentration. That comes through on the nose that has density and presence: blackberry, raspberry coulis and forest floor scents. The palate is medium-bodied with good density and ripe tannins. There is appreciable weight in the mouth, and while it does not have quite the finesse it might have otherwise had, there is plenty of ripe blackberry and raspberry fruit to savor. But I would afford it a couple of years in bottle.

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Rating: (83-85)
Drink: 2015-2017

The 2013 Bourgogne Chardonnay, which had been racked mid-October, has a light, slightly pithy bouquet that is nicely defined, if missing just a little intensity compared to the 2012 last year. The palate is straightforward, showing a little gas at the moment, but has a crisp line of acidity and a light airy finish. It seems a little ephemeral.

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Rating: (86-88)
Drink: 2016-2022

The 2013 Chambolle -Musigny Village includes about 40% whole-bunch fruit, and Florence Heresztyn mentioned that it underwent less pigeage this year. It has a tightly wound, black truffle and cedar-scented bouquet. The palate is medium-bodied with crisp tannins, fine acidity and a slight tart, leafy/tertiary finish. This should be drunk over the next 3-6 years.

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2013 Domaine Heresztyn-Mazzini Gevrey Chambertin 1er Cru les Champonnets

Rating: (91-93)
Drink: 2017-2027

The 2013 Gevrey-Chambertin 1er Cru les Champonnets contains close to 55% whole bunch fruit and underwent less pigeage and more remontage this year. It is matured in around 35% new oak. It has lively black fruit on the nose laced with cedar and mint aromas that lend it complexity and personality. The palate is medium-bodied with quite tensile tannins and a fine line of acidity. There is a sense of plushness to the mouthfeel, with plenty of vibrant red fruit toward the finish. Great stuff! This is on par with the domaine's Grand Cru.

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2013 Domaine Heresztyn-Mazzini Gevrey Chambertin Vieilles Vignes (Cuvee 3)

Rating: 90-92
Drink: 2017-2027

A majority of the 2013 Gevrey Chambertin Vieilles Vignes (Cuvée 3) comes from a single parcel in "Fournaux" that tends to produce tannic and more powerful wine than the Cuvée No. 5. It has a broody and more introspective bouquet than the No. 5, the fruit darker with more noticeable forest-floor scents. The palate is medium-bodied with fine tannins and well-judged acidity, leading to a quite elegant and refined, natural finish.

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2013 Domaine Heresztyn-Mazzini Clos Saint Denis Grand Cru

Rating: (91-93)
Drink: 2018-2030

The 2013 Clos Saint Denis Grand Cru contains about 40% whole-bunch fruit and matured in close to 50% new wood. It has a perfumed bouquet, floral and refined, with hints of black cherries and dark plum. The palate is medium-bodied with crisp, slightly chalky tannins. There is great purity to this Clos Saint Denis, and a thrilling sense of tension toward the finish that I hope remains in situ once in bottle. Look out for this gem.

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Rating: (89-91)
Drink: 2016-2026

From 80-year-old vines and matured with around 35% whole-bunch fruit, the 2013 Gevrey Chambertin Vieilles Vignes has an attractive raspberry and dark cherry bouquet that opens nicely in the glass. The palate is medium-bodied with fine, quite supple tannins and commendable density, harmonious in the mouth with an elegant finish. For me, this works much better than the Clos Village '13.

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Rating: (85-87)
Drink: 2016-2025

The 2013 Gevrey-Chambertin Clos Village has around 47% whole bunch and 30% new oak. It has a lifted red cherry and redcurrant scented bouquet, the oak seamlessly integrated into the fruit profile. The palate is medium-bodied with light tannins, missing a little depth in the middle, with a slightly attenuated finish. I might have just dialed down the new oak on this.

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2013 Domaine Heresztyn-Mazzini Gevrey Chambertin 1er Cru les Goulots

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From two parcels, one at the bottom pruned Guyot simple and one at the top of the slopes pruned Cordon Royat adjacent to Jean-Marie Fourrier's plot, the 2013 Gevrey-Chambertin 1er Cru les Goulots contains 40% whole bunch fruit. It has a pastille-like purity on the nose: raspberry, dark cherry and red plum, rose-petal aromas developing with time. The palate is medium-bodied with crisp, quite tensile tannins, a dash of spice and a suave, quite rounded finish that is very satisfying. Bon vin.

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