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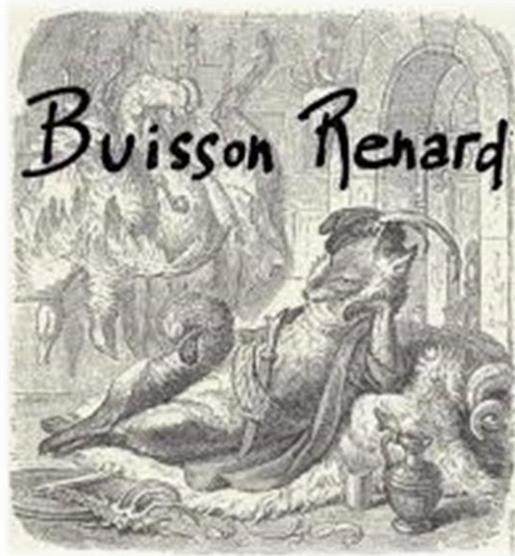
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DOMAINE DIDIER DAGUENEAU



One of the world's most iconic wine estates, Domaine Didier Dagueneau, began to receive an almost cult following due to the sheer depth and quality of the Pouilly Fumé produced. An ex-motorcycle racer with no formal enological training, Dagueneau was described as a risk taker and an experimenter, with perfectionist attitudes to his work, cutting yields severely to achieve greater ripeness. In 2008, Didier Dagueneau died in an ultralight plane crash leaving his son and daughter, Louis-Benjamin and Charlotte, to run the winery.

| | | HALF-GLASS | GLASS |
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| 2009 | Sauvignon Blanc, Blanc Fumé de Pouilly <i>There is as usual nothing mundane about the "basic" Dagueneau wine. This is the sole cuvée at its address to blend across two soil types – Marne chalk and Silex – as well as across several far-flung parcels, some of which were hailed on this vintage. Hint of quince, acacia and green herbs. This wine is sitting on an ideal drinking window.</i> | 27 | 54 |
| 2007 | Sauvignon Blanc, Buisson Renard, Pouilly Fumé <i>From the single vineyard Buisson Renard, renamed Renard (fox in French) to get even at a wine critic who had mistakenly named it that way while criticizing Didier Dagueneau, this wine is vibrant and crisp, with firm acidity and flavors of pear, citrus and herb. Great minerality and raciness in the finish, with some hints of melon and vanilla.</i> | 32 | 64 |
| 2008 | Sauvignon Blanc, Pur Sang, Pouilly Fumé <i>From a vineyard made up of a mixture of clay and broken flint, this displays the classic combination of silk and steel. The firm mineral slate character focusses the finish, taking over from a wave of initial sweet grapefruit and red apple fruit. Pure and fine, with great length.</i> | 36 | 72 |
| 2009 | Petit Manseng, Dagueneau&Pautrat 'les Jardins de Babylone' Jurançon <i>Jardins de Babylone: Extremely limited production. This dessert wine was considered by Didier himself to be the finest of all his wines. Lusciously sweet, orange peels and honeysuckle on the nose, fruits fresh and bright with spice and nuts on the long finish.</i> | | 52 |

WINES BY THE GLASS

CHAMPAGNE/SPARKLING

GLASS

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| 2016 | Chandon 'Rockpool Cuvée' Brut, Yarra Valley, Victoria <i>This traditional method sparkling expresses poached pear, honeysuckle, white nectarine, toasted brioche on the nose. The palate is dry lending itself to seafood dishes.</i> | 18 |
| NV | Ruinart 'R de Ruinart' Brut, Reims, Champagne, France <i>Coming from one of the oldest houses in Champagne. This wine offers a developed and savoury style of champagne. Lemon peel, croissant and roasted pecan on the palate while still retaining acidity, one for the connoisseurs of Champagne.</i> | 29 |
| NV | Chartogne-Taillet 'Le Rosé' Brut, Merfy, Champagne, France <i>The majority of the grapes for this blend come from a small 1.3 hectare vineyard in the Montagne de Reims. A Rosé of precision and finesse, red currant and sour cherry, with a long, dry finish.</i> | 36 |
| 2008 | Moët et Chandon 'Dom Pérignon' Vallée de la Marne Champagne, France <i>A rare opportunity to sample a legendary champagne. Notes of citrus, green apple and almonds sit over a pillow like texture with a fine mousse and a vibrant line of acidity. A wine with an exceptional level of purity, focus and precision.</i> | 75 |

SHERRY

GLASS

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| NV | Fino, Equipo Navazos 'La Bota de Fino # 54' Spain | 14 |
| NV | Manzanilla, Equipo Navazos 'Manzanilla I Think' Spain | 10 |

SAKE

GLASS

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| 2017 | Chikuma-Nishiki 'Kizan Sanban' Junmai Ginjo, Nama Genshu Nagano Prefecture, Japan <i>North of Tokyo, roughly two hours' drive and once known as a popular skiing destination. Deep snow country provides pure, pristine water which creates this light and clean Sake. Match with our sashimi of Kingfish with Davidson plum.</i> | 18 |
| 2016 | Saito Shuzo 'Eikun Ichigin' Junmai Daiginjo, Kyoto Prefecture, Japan 180ML <i>This is only the Sake that has been awarded Gold Medals for 14 consecutive years. Incredibly elegant and delicate Sake, which should be consumed by itself as an Aperitif or with freshly shucked oysters.</i> | 72 |
| NV | Heiwa Shuzo, Yuzushu, Wakayama Prefecture, Japan <i>Produced by blending Sake with Yuzu, a Japanese citrus fruit, this is the Japanese equivalent of Limoncello. Contrasting sweet and sour flavours with a zesty citrus finish.</i> | 15 |

AMBER & ROSÉ

GLASS

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| 2016 | Field Blend, Ruggabellus 'Sallio' Barossa Valley, South Australia <i>Abel Gibson is one of the fore runners for skin contact whites. The wine sees old vine parcels of Muscat and Semillon co-fermented to be blended in Riesling. Three days of skin contact leaves the wine with soft tannin structure supported by red apple skins, quince and golden pear.</i> | 17 |
| 2018 | Nerello Mascalese, Pietradolce, Etna Rosato, Sicily, Italy <i>From vines grown at 700m on the slopes of Mount Etna, this rosé offers raspberry, peach and orange peel, rounded on the palate with a dry finish.</i> | 20 |

WINES BY THE GLASS

| | PREMIUM WHITE | HALF-GLASS | GLASS |
|------|--|------------|-------|
| 2009 | Sauvignon Blanc, Didier Dagueneau 'Blanc Fumé de Pouilly' Loire Valley, France <i>Praised as one of the greatest producers of Sauvignon Blanc, who has built a devoted cult following. Focused; ripe notes of white grapefruit, quince, acacia honey, green herbs and a pronounced crushed-stone minerality leap from the glass.</i> | 27 | 54 |
| | WHITE | | GLASS |
| 2019 | Riesling, Rockpool by Grosset, Clare Valley, South Australia <i>A unique collaboration between Jeffrey Grosset and Neil Perry, this classic Clare Valley Riesling shows flavours of lime and grapefruit pith, enticing aromas of persistent white florals while the finish is long, zesty and dry.</i> | | 16 |
| 2017 | Riesling, Dönnhoff, Oberhäuser-Leistenberg Kabinett, Nahe, Germany <i>Dönnhoff's off-dry Riesling provides a dazzling array of ripe fruit and seamless acidity that perfectly complements the touch of sugar. Candied lime peel and white peach flavors follow intense aromas of citrus blossom and jasmine with a long stony finish that is ideal with raw bar dishes and oysters.</i> | | 21 |
| 2017 | Grüner Veltliner, Weszeli 'Felix' Kamptal, Austria <i>A varietal which has become known as an Austrian specialty. This vibrant wine exhibits fresh aromas of ripe pears and fresh pea shoots with a dry and focused mineral driven finish. Simply delicious with today's selection from the cold bar.</i> | | 18 |
| 2017 | Albariño, Granbazán 'Etiqueta Ámbar' Rias Baixas, Spain <i>Green country; Galicia produces one of the most exciting and refreshing white wines in Spain. Ripe peach and orange zest on the nose leading to lemon curd with a hint of salinity on the finish.</i> | | 20 |
| 2018 | Sauvignon Blanc, Domaine Pascal Jolivet, Sancerre, Loire Valley, France <i>The famous chalk soil is the key to this mineral- laden Sauvignon Blanc from Loire Valley. High-tension of the acidity is supported by generous citrus fruits such as lemon zest and grapefruits skins.</i> | | 21 |
| 2016 | Chenin Blanc, Lieu Dit, Santa Ynez Valley, Central Coast, U.S.A. <i>This cool climate Californian expression of Chenin Blanc delivers ripe apricot and peach with an underlying wet stone minerality on the palate, along with weight and texture from gentle oak usage.</i> | | 22 |
| 2017 | Greco, Pietracupa, Greco di Tufo, Campania, Italy <i>One of the hidden gems of the southern Italy. This wine has a slight golden hue due to a thick skin of Greco which also brings a spice and herbal character to the wine. Enjoy this medium bodied wine with our mussel and saffron stew with wood fire grilled seafood.</i> | | 23 |
| 2016 | Chardonnay, Domaine Leflaive 'Mâcon-Verzé' Burgundy, France <i>From the top producer in Puligny-Montrachet, this Mâconais is the true value for money. It offers up notes of green orchard fruits, pastry cream and subtle shaved-almond aroma. Try it with our goat's cheese tortellini and you will be amazed.</i> | | 32 |
| 2019 | Chardonnay, Battles, Margaret River, Western Australia <i>From a micro-producer with a long history in Margaret River this Chardonnay offers classic warm climate fruit, marzipan and balanced oak spice. Creamy and mouth filling with bright acidity and a long finish.</i> | | 20 |

WINES BY THE GLASS

| | PREMIUM RED | HALF-GLASS | GLASS |
|------|--|------------|-------|
| 2013 | Cabernet Sauvignon, Ramey, Napa Valley, California, U.S.A. | 28 | 56 |
| | <i>This is a text book Napa Cabernet: Rich and full, dark and concentrated. 2013 summed up to be a perfect vintage which brought a full range of flavours into the wine with dark plum skins, mint and violet aromas. The 18 months of maturation in new French oak is barely noticeable because everything is perfectly balanced.</i> | | |
| | RED | | GLASS |
| 2019 | Pinot Noir, The Other Wine. Co., Tasmania | | 18 |
| | <i>Pinot Noir and Tasmania, a match made in heaven. The fruits are sourced from the famous Tolpuddle vineyards in Coal River Valley. The wine is deliciously complex and spicy on the nose with dark red cherry, strawberry and rhubarb notes which become delicate and refined on the palate.</i> | | |
| 2016 | Pinot Noir, Burn Cottage 'Moonlight Race' Central Otago, N.Z. | | 29 |
| | <i>Planted on 11 hectares of vineyard in the Lowburn district of Central Otago. Fleshy, fuller figured expression, laden with ripe red fruits, sweet spice, some earthy characters and prominent acidity driving with authority across the palate.</i> | | |
| 2017 | Nerello Mascalese, Girolamo Russo 'A Rina' Etna, Sicily, Italy | | 23 |
| | <i>Nerero Mascalese is a signature varietal of Mt Etna, which lies on an active volcano in Sicily. Slightly pale in color makes you think it might be a light wine but it is in fact packed with a wonderful flavors like dried cranberry and pomegranate. Dusty tannin in the end calls for a selection of charcuteries.</i> | | |
| 2016 | Grenache Blend, St Hugo 'Signature' Barossa Valley, South Australia | | 21 |
| | <i>A bench mark producer in S.A. This blend of Grenache, Shiraz and Mataro shows lifted red fruit aromas of plums and raspberries. The plate is plush, full and complex. This is versatile style of wine which can be matched with wide variety of our menu.</i> | | |
| 2015 | Cabernet Franc, Domaine Bernard Baudry, Chinon, Loire Valley, France | | 22 |
| | <i>Cabernet Franc is such an underrated grape variety and deserves more attention. Its herbal character is definitely a sign of Cabernet family but has more succulent acidity and refined tannin than Cabernet Sauvignon. Expect roasted capsicum, tobacco leaf and slight smokiness in the end.</i> | | |
| 2016 | Cabernet Blend, Si Vintners 'Si Red' Margaret River, Western Australia | | 16 |
| | <i>This Bordeaux style blend has heady aromas of licorice, plums and chocolate. On the palate, smooth and mellow with grippy tannin leading to an earthy finish.</i> | | |
| 2011 | Tempranillo, Señorío de P. Peciña 'Reserva' Rioja, Spain | | 24 |
| | <i>Vibrant, spice-scented cherry and blackcurrant are echoed by a floral top note. Smoky and broad on a palate laced with supple tannins which are framed by a long, spiced-vanilla finish. A firm testament to the 36 months of rest in used American oak barrels.</i> | | |
| 2017 | Syrah, Domaine Barou 'Cuvée des Vernes' Vin de Pays des Collines Rhodaniennes, Rhône Valley, France | | 21 |
| | <i>Perfumed with violet, cherries, black pepper and delicate oak spice. This cool-climate Syrah carries superb dark fruit and smoked meat on the palate with a soft tannin structure.</i> | | |
| 2017 | Shiraz, Torbreck 'Rockpool' en Magnum, Barossa Valley, South Australia | | 28 |
| | <i>Produced from 40 year old vines this special Rockpool bottling from well-known producer Torbreck was created by Jonathan Ross MS. Intense with lots of cassis and ripe blackberries finishing long with a velvety texture.</i> | | |

WINES BY THE GLASS

PREMIUM DESSERT GLASS

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| 2016 | Zibibbo, Donnafugata ‘Ben Ryé’ Passito di Pantelleria, Sicily, Italy | 34 |
| | <i>Produced by the traditional method of drying the grapes to concentrate the sugars, this leads to an immensely rich dessert wine with flavours of dried apricots and orange peel transforming to burnt butterscotch over the long finish.</i> | |

DESSERT GLASS

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| 2019 | Riesling, Frogmore Creek ‘Iced Riesling’ Coal River Valley, Tasmania | 15 |
| 2016 | Petit/Gros Manseng, Domaine de Souch, Jurançon, France | 18 |
| 2014 | Moscatel, Jorge Ordóñez ‘No. 1 Seleccion Especial’ Málaga, Spain | 18 |
| 2017 | Welschriesling Blend, Kracher ‘Beerenauslese Cuvée’ Burgenland, Austria | 22 |
| 2009 | Semillon Blend, Carmes de Rieussec, Sauternes, Bordeaux, France | 17 |
| 2000 | Semillon Blend, Château Coutet, Barsac, Bordeaux, France | 31 |
| | <i>Indisputably one of the great estates of Barsac, produced from Botrytised grapes and aged in barrel for 24 months, the 2000 is starting to show its true potential. Toffee and butterscotch layered with roast hazelnuts, candied ginger and coconut.</i> | |

FORTIFIED GLASS

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| NV | Tawny, David Franz ‘Old Redemption, XO’ Barossa, South Australia | 14 |
| NV | Rare Tawny, Penfolds ‘Grandfather’ Barossa, South Australia | 20 |
| NV | Muscat, Skillogalee ‘Liqueur Muscat’ Clare Valley, South Australia | 16 |
| NV | Topaque, Campbells ‘Liquid Gold’ Classic, Rutherglen, Victoria | 14 |
| 2007 | Touriga Nacional Blend, Yarra Yering ‘Potsorts’ Yarra Valley, Victoria | 24 |
| 1995 | Grenache Blend, Les Vignerons de Maury, Roussillon, France | 22 |
| NV | Ratafia de Château Pradeaux, Bandol, France | 12 |
| | <i>An ancient style which has slowly been phased out of production. This wine is delicate in nature with stewed plum and dates up front. The finish shows hints of spice and almond biscotti with a subtle sweetness.</i> | |
| NV | Port, Ramos Pintos ‘Adriano Reserva’ Douro, Portugal | 18 |
| 1998 | Port, Warre’s ‘Quinta da Cavadinha’ Douro, Portugal | 22 |
| NV | Madeira, The Rare Wine Co. ‘Savannah, Verdelho Special Reserve’ | 24 |
| 1990 | Pedro Ximénez, Toro Albalá Don PX ‘Gran Reserva’ Montilla-Moriles, Spain | 26 |