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Tasting : August 2023 and April 2024

Domaine de la Commaraine

2022 Pommard "Clos de la Commaraine" ♥

1er Cru Red barrel

Score: **90-93**

Drink: 2032+

Issue: 94

Outstanding

Producer note: Americans Mark Nunnely and Denise Dupré purchased the 12th century Domaine de la Commaraine, with its 3.754 ha monopole of 1er vines, in September 2017, with an eye to restoring the historic property and eventually developing a luxury hotel and gourmet restaurant. If the name Clos de la Commaraine sounds familiar, it's likely because the fruit was sold to Louis Jadot from 2002 to 2017. The domaine has also recently acquired 2.5 ha of vines in Nuits St. Georges that include approximately .3 ha in Aux Boussselots and .5 ha in Roncières. The domaine's day-to-day activities are currently administered by Jean-Luc Vitoux, who noted that a modern cuverie has now been completed. He also noted that the domaine is now certified organic as of 2021 and that most of the reds see a full month of total cuvaision as well as about 20 to 22 months of élevage. Please also see the related domaines of Les Parcelles de Saulx and Belleville herein. For more information, please see www.lacommaraine.com

Tasting note: Very generous wood all but overshadows the liqueur-like aromas of black cherries and warm earth. The lavishly rich flavors also possess a beguiling texture thanks to the abundant dry extract that serves to buffer the balanced and lingering finale. This also appears to have the necessary stuffing to integrate the oak treatment in time but be aware that if you're inclined to drink your wines young, the wood isn't subtle.

2022 Nuits St. Georges "Roncière"

1er Cru Red barrel

Score: **90-92**

Drink: 2030+

Issue: 94

Note: from a .50 ha holding

Tasting note: This is also generously wooded with a similar fruit profile to that of the Boussselots. The texture of the medium weight flavors is slightly finer, if a bit less concentrated, with a more minerality in evidence on the firm, youthfully austere and balanced finale. The healthy dollop of wood aside, this is really quite pretty and the mid-palate appears to have the stuffing to eventually absorb the oak and my predicted range assumes that it will.

2022 Nuits St. Georges "Les Boussselots"

1er Cru Red barrel

Score: **90-92**

Drink: 2030+

Issue: 94

Note: from a .28 ha holding

Tasting note: Generous wood fights somewhat with the earthy and ripe yet nicely fresh aromas of black cherry, red currant and a whiff of the sauvage. There is again very good richness and verve to the medium-bodied flavors that exude a subtle minerality on the youthfully austere and sneaky long finale. This will need at least a few years of keeping in the hopes that better depth will progressively develop.

2022 Chambolle-Musigny "Condemennes"

Villages Red barrel

Score: **88-91**

Drink: 2028+

Issue: 94

Note: from a .15 ha parcel

Tasting note: An airy and ripe nose combines notes of both red and dark berries, spice and a suggestion of violet. The sleek, delicious and vibrant middleweight flavors possess solid density as well as an appealing mouthfeel while displaying good if not genuinely special persistence on the balanced if slightly rustic finish that is firm enough to warrant 5 to 8 years of cellaring.