



Tasted by Gary Rose, February 16th



Chablis Premier Cru Montmains 2020

From the left bank of the Serein, the waterway that flows through the heart of the Chablis region (it's name translates as "serene", which seems really obvious when you know). The south-east-facing location of the vineyard means the grapes enjoy the morning sun, but the vines cool down throughout the day, leading to the more restrained and mineral character I associate with classic Chablis. Lean, elegant, citrusy and with a slightly floral touch, this fine wine will definitely match most people's expectations of good Chablis...



Chablis Premier Cru Fourchaume 2018

Grew up on the other side of the tracks — the right bank, where the generous amount of daily sunshine offers up richer-tasting wines with bold flavours. And that really comes across in this one. Although it's been aged on the lees, it doesn't overpower you with the dry, biscuity flavour you find in a lot of Chablis (and Champagne), instead it's dominated by a soft, honeyed fruit feel which always reminds me of a freshly baked apple pie sitting on a window sill to cool (typing that made my mouth water). In fact, it's rather reminiscent of a white from southern Burgundy. And that's no bad thing...'