

Maison Louis Jadot Chapelle-Chambertin Grand Cru 2020



One of the more reserved wines in the range on the day of my visit was the 2020 Chapelle-Chambertin Grand Cru (Domaine Louis Jadot), a full-bodied, concentrated and vibrant wine evocative of red berries, pomegranate, sweet spices and rose petals. Deep and tightly wound, it will reward further élevage and bottle age, as the raw materials are of obviously high quality. The 2020 vintage has turned out beautifully at this address, delivering concentrated, flavorful wines with alcohol levels between 13.3% and 13.7% and with low pHs. Winemaker Frédéric Barnier told me that efforts were made to pick earlier in the day, and that fruit waiting to be processed was kept fresh in a special cold room. In the cellar, foudres and 500-liter barrels now complement classic 228-liter pièces, a further evolution adapting to warmer, riper vintages. But aside from the quality of the 2020s and these technical developments, described in more detail in the accompanying tasting notes, there's other noteworthy news too: in 2021, Jadot entered into organic conversion for their domaine vineyards.

- William Kelley, December 1969





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