Vin Vino Wine

BOTTLE SHOP & TASTING BAR

2014 Red Burgundies

"As someone who spent most of June, July and August of 2014 in Burgundy watching it rain, I confess that I did not begin my October and November 2015 tasting campaign with a great deal of enthusiasm. The thought of visiting roughly 120 growers in a 7-week period hoping to find a few good wines while tasting through a sea of mediocrity was daunting to say the least.

So what happened? I am extremely happy to report that by the end of my trip I had completely changed my opinion and I am avidly enthusiastic about the 2014 vintage. While it is true that the 2014 vintage is user-friendly in that in many cases the wines will be accessible young, I believe that it is also true that they are going to age extremely well. There is a beguiling freshness coupled with first-rate drinkability that makes the 2014s extremely pleasurable. Often vintages that are approachable young are that way because they have lowish acidities, below average concentration or very high levels of ripeness, yet 2014 is none of those things.

So, as with every vintage, the two questions that take precedence over everything else always are: Should I buy the wines and if so, how much? The best wines are wonderfully refreshing, highly drinkable and transparent medium-bodied wines that possess solid but not aggressive tannic spines supplemented by sufficient but not high acidities. They are balanced wines built for medium-term aging yet should be reasonably approachable young if youthful fruit is your preference.

I note the generally softer approach to extraction that many growers elected to use and thus most 2014s have relatively fine-grained tannins which will also help them to be accessible young. This is partially because the tannins are generally ripe and partially because there is a reasonably good level of tannin-buffering dry extract that renders them less prominent at this early stage.

As to longevity, the average 2014 is built for mid-term cellaring though as I also noted, many wines will also drink well on the younger side. By contrast some wines are quite firmly structured and will require a minimum of 10 to 15 years of cellaring before they will be reach their apogees. And like almost every recent vintage, there is a small segment of wines that possess the scaffolding to improve over a very long period of time, which is to say out to 15 to 20 years or in a few cases, even longer.

Two of the aspects that I like best about the 2014s is their transparency to the underlying terroir coupled with their sheer drinkability. This transparency is enhanced by terrific vibrancy because the wines really do taste alive in the mouth as they've got energy, or what I like to call underlying tension. They're ripe yet they are what the French call digest, or refreshing, where the first sip invites the next which is in fact what makes them so drinkable.

The best 2014s are going to provide a great deal of pleasure and in this strict sense they remind me of such vintages as 1985, 1992 and 2000. Now in saying this I do not mean to imply that the 2014s necessarily closely resemble any of these vintages except in the context of their excellent drinkability at any early age that continues even today.

I would suggest that when the 2014s hit the market that you buy a few and see for yourself what you think. But if you liked the 1985s, 1992s or, 2000s I believe that you will like the 2014s."

- Allen Meadows, Burghound.com

SPECIAL - 15 PERCENT OFF

on purchases of six or more bottles of 2014 Red Burgundies through September 30, 2017

NOTE: accurate as of 6/15/17

	Regular	15% Off
DOMAINE ARLAUD – MOREY-SAINT-DENIS	Price	Price
2014 Bourgogne Rouge "Roncevie" (Arlaud)	\$ 38.00	\$ 32.30
"A hint of herbal tea sits atop the red berry fruit and earth-scented nose. There is fine punch and solid density to the delicious flavors that exhibit a mild touch of rusticity on the lingering finish. 2017+ (85-88/100)" - Allen Meadows, Burghound.com		
2014 Chambolle-Musigny (Arlaud)	d	\$ 68.00
- Allen Meadows, Burghound.com		
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2014 Gevrey-Chambertin (Arlaud)\$ 80.00 \$ 68.00 "As is usually the case there is more size, weight and power to the medium-bodied flavors that also exude a fine bead of minerality on the slightly rustic but equally well-balanced finale that offers even better complexity. Lovely. 2021+ (88-91/100)" - Allen Meadows, Burghound.com \$ 170.00 "A more deeply pitched and notably earthier nose also displays plenty of sauvage character. This gamy element continues onto the concentrated medium weight plus flavors that possess a caressing mouth feel despite the evident muscularity of the austere and explosive finish. This is very Mazoyères in character yet it is a bit less rustic than usual. Worth a look provided that you have the patience to cellar it. 2029+ (92-95/100)" - Allen Meadows, Burghound.com **BOUCHARD PÈRE & FILS** - BEAUNE \$ 59.50 "Moderate wood combines with cool red and dark currant, plum, earth and humus nuances. There is a relatively sophisticated mouth feel to the lightly mineral-infused medium weight flavors that possess excellent punch on the balanced, complex and impressively persistent and mildly austere finish. While not super dense this well-balanced effort offers fine quality for its level. 2022+ (89/100)" - Allen Meadows, Burghound.com \$ 127.50 "Moderate wood and menthol nuances serve as a less than neutral backdrop for the gamy, spicy and very ripe aromas of dark pinot fruit liqueur-like aromas. There is fine volume and outstanding intensity to the big-bodied and powerful flavors that possess flat out superb concentration thanks to the abundance of palate drenching sap that also serves to buffer the firm core of ripe tannins on the hugely long and wonderfully complex finish. While the underlying raw material is certainly present such that this will require 15 to 20 years to arrive at its full apogee, the sap is such that I suspect that it will allow this to be enjoyed after only 7 to 8 years of cellar time. 2029+ (92-95/100)" - Allen Meadows, Burghound.com **DOMAINE DE COURCEL** - POMMARD 2014 Pommard "Les Fremiers" (Courcel)......\$ 105.00 \$ 89.25 "An elegant nose grudgingly offers up notes of plum, cassis, spice, earth and plenty of floral elements and in particular violets. The sleek, intense and well-delineated flavors possess both excellent volume and mid-palate concentration, all wrapped in an impressively rich, powerful and moderately austere finale that displays outstanding persistence. This will require ample patience. 2026+ (90-93/100)" - Allen Meadows, Burghound.com \$ 110.50 "This is also quite aromatically restrained with its cool, airy and extraordinarily complex nose The nose is quite similar to that of the Fremiers with just a bit more complexity. This extra complexity continues onto the exceptionally rich, indeed this is almost viscous, in its density yet the middle weight plus flavors are not top heavy. Like all of these 2014s the supporting tannins are quite firm and mature but even so this is going to require a long snooze in a cool cellar as it would be largely pointless to open one of these young, other than in the interest of science. 2029+ (91-93/100)" - Allen Meadows, Burghound.com \$ 140.25 "Once again the nose is intensely floral where hints of spice and warm earth add considerable refinement to the ultra-pure red and dark berry fruit aromas. There is both a lovely mouth feel and detail to the focused and overtly powerful middle weight flavors that culminate in a firm and moderately austere finish that displays an almost pungent minerality. This very serious effort is decidedly old school in style and note well that it's going to require a very long time before it completely resolves its considerable tannic spine. 2031+ (91-93/100)" - Allen Meadows, Burghound.com

DOMAINE JOSEPH DROUHIN - BEAUNE		
"While many observers seem fixated by how good the whites are, which in fairness they are excellent, but I believe that the quality of the 2014 reds is grossly underestimated. They have everything they need to also be very fine and while 2014 is not a genuinely great vintage for the reds, it's at least very good to excellent. A few years from now I think collectors are going to be very surprised by just how good they are." - Veronique Drouhin		
"I very much agree with Drouhin's take that the 2014 reds are definitely better than their general reputation but in particular I was extremely impressed by the quality of the Drouhin reds almost across the board. If you enjoy the Drouhin style then these are wines to make a special effort to find and cellar." - Allen Meadows, Burghound.com		
2014 Cote de Nuits Villages (Joseph Drouhin)	68.00	\$ 28.05 \$ 57.80
2014 Chambolle-Musigny (Joseph Drouhin)		\$ 72.25
2014 Chambolle-Musigny "Premier Cru" (Joseph Drouhin)\$ "(typically made from 6 or 7 different 1ers depending on whether the parcel of Les Baudes is included). As one would reasonably expect this is much more elegant with its highly perfumed and ultra-pure essence of red currant and wide ranging floral elements that are trimmed in sandalwood and anise nuances. The stony and saline middle weight flavors possess laser-like delineation along with good richness and volume, all wrapped in a firm and ever-so-mildly austere finale that makes it clear that this is built-to-age. In a word, terrific. 2024+(93/100)" - Allen Meadows, Burghound.com		\$ 97.75
2014 Chambertin - Clos de Bèze (Joseph Drouhin)\$	495.00	\$ 420.75
DOMAINE DUBREUIL-FONTAINE – PERNAND-VERGELESSES		
2014 Pernand-Vergelesses "Clos Berthet" (Dubreuil-Fontaine)		\$ 46.75
2014 Beaune "Les Montrevenots" (Dubreuil-Fontaine)	•	\$ 55.25
2014 Pernand-Vergelesses "Ile de Vergelesses" (Dubreuil-Fontaine)		\$ 59.50
2014 Aloxe-Corton "Les Vercots" (Dubreuil-Fontaine)		\$ 59.50

2014	Corton "Les Perrieres" (Dubreuil-Fontaine)	110.00	\$ 93.50
2014	Corton "Les Bressandes" (Dubreuil-Fontaine)	115.00	\$ 97-75
	Corton "Clos du Roi" (Dubreuil-Fontaine) \$ "Relatively prominent wood fights a bit with the spicy and gamy dark berry fruit aromas that display a pungent earthiness. There is outstanding volume and excellent mid-palate concentration to the stony and muscular big-bodied flavors that deliver very fine persistence on the dusty, austere and very backward finish. This is also clearly going to require extended cellaring but everything is in place to reward exactly that. 2026+ (93/100)" - Allen Meadows, Burghound.com	120.00	\$ 102.00
	MAINE VINCENT GIRARDIN – MEURSAULT		
	Morey-Saint-Denis "Vieilles Vignes" (Vincent Girardin)\$		\$ 51.00
	Gevrey-Chambertin "Vieilles Vignes" (Vincent Girardin)		\$ 59.50
2014	Volnay "Les Santenots" (Vincent Girardin)	78.00	\$ 66.30
2014	Volnay "Les Champans" (Vincent Girardin)	78.00	\$ 66.30
2014	Chambolle-Musigny "Vieilles Vignes" (Vincent Girardin) \$	88.00	\$ 74.80
	Corton "Les Perrieres" (Vincent Girardin)		\$ 89.25
DON	MAINE HENRI GOUGES – NUITS-SAINT-GEORGES		
	Bourgogne Rouge (Henri Gouges)\$		\$ 29.75
2014	Nuits-Saint-Georges (Henri Gouges)	68.00	\$ 57.80
2014	Nuits-Saint-Georges "Les Chenes Carteaux" (Henri Gouges)\$ "Reduced aromas of black cherry, raspberry, mint and menthol. A step up in sweetness and suppleness; at once more velvety and more facile. Gouges describes this rather suave wine as the estate's "entry-level premier cru of Nuits-Saint-Georges." More red fruits than black. (89-91/100)" - Stephen Tanzer, Vinousmedia.com	75.00	\$ 63.75

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	Nuits-Saint-Georges "Clos des Porrets" (Henri Gouges)\$ "Bright, deep red. A step up in stony pungency and aromatic lift from the Chênes Carteaux, offering perfumed scents and flavors of black cherry, violet, rose petal and spices. More rigorous in the mouth in the manner of Nuits-Saint-Georges from the south side of the village. Intense, solidly built wine with very good mouth coverage but no excess weight. Finishes with a restrained sweetness, a saline nuance and excellent length. (90-92/100)" - Stephen Tanzer, Vinousmedia.com		\$ 72.25
2014	Nuits-Saint-Georges "Les Pruliers" (Henri Gouges)\$ "Good bright, dark red. Pure and perfumed on the nose, showing a slightly medicinal quality to the aromas of dark raspberry, black cherry, red licorice, spices and spearmint. Broad, supple and classically dry, with dark fruit flavors lifted by a note of rose petal. Longer and more tannic than the Clos des Porrets but fine-grained for its imposing structure. (90-92/100)" - Stephen Tanzer, Vinousmedia.com	115.00	\$ 97.75
	Nuits-Saint-Georges "Les Saint Georges" (Henri Gouges)	185.00	\$ 157.25
$\overline{\mathbf{DON}}$	MAINE THIBAULT LIGER-BELAIR – NUITS-SAINT-GEORGES		
2014	Bourgogne Rouge "Les Deux Terres" (Liger-Belair)\$		\$ 23.80
2014	Bourgogne Rouge "Les Grands Chaillots" (Liger-Belair) \$	38.00	\$ 32.30
	Hautes Cotes de Nuits "Clos du Prieure" (Liger-Belair)\$		\$ 38.25
2014	Gevrey-Chambertin "La Croix des Champs" (Liger-Belair) \$	90.00	\$ 76.50
	"A strikingly cool, restrained and very floral nose presents fresh and cool red currant along with earth, game and humus wisps. The well-detailed medium weight flavors possess a lovely sense of underlying tension on the focused, precise and energetic finish. 2021+ (88-90/100)" - Allen Meadows, Burghound.com		
2014	Nuits-Saint-Georges "La Charmotte" (Liger-Belair)	90.00	\$ 76.50
2014	Aloxe-Corton "La Toppe au Vert" (Liger-Belair)\$	116.00	\$ 07.75
2014	"There is good freshness, intensity and precision to the delicious flavors where the supporting tannins are actually relatively fine in the context of an Aloxe 1er, all wrapped in a complex finale that delivers sneaky good length. 2022+ (89-92/100)" - Allen Meadows, Burghound.com	113.00	\$ 97.75
2014	Vosne-Romanée "Aux Réas" (Liger-Belair)\$	110.00	\$ 110.50
	"There is a seductive texture to the solidly well-concentrated medium weight plus flavors that benefit from plenty of structure-buffering dry extract such that this seems more forward than it really is on the gorgeously complex and persistent finish. This is a terrific Vosne villages and unreservedly recommended. 2022+ (89-92/100)" - Allen Meadows, Burghound.com		
2014	Chambolle-Musigny "Les Gruenchers" (Liger-Belair) \$	180.00	\$ 153.00
	"An exceptionally pretty if quite restrained nose speaks of red pinot fruit liqueur, floral and		
	spice scents. There is good volume and plenty of dry extract to the rich, round and utterly delicious medium-bodied flavors that are supported by moderately firm tannins on the balanced and lacy finish. This is a lovely and relatively understated Chambolle 1er that should be approachable on the younger side if desired. 2022+ (90-92/100)" - Allen Meadows, Burghound.com		
2014	Nuits-Saint-Georges "Les Saint Georges" (Liger-Belair)	185.00	\$ 157.25

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2014	Corton "Les Renardes" (Liger-Belair)	220.00	\$ 187.00
2014	Clos Vougeot (Liger-Belair)	275.00	\$ 233.75
DON	MAINE MEO-CAMUZET – VOSNE-ROMANÉE		
	Bourgogne Rouge (Meo-Camuzet)		\$ 38.25 \$ 49.30
2014	"(from vines on the slope rather than the plain, which generally give substantially better fruit). This is surprisingly elegant in the context of what is typical with its perfumed dark currant, spice and soft earth nuances. There is more volume and a bit more richness as well to the velvety but detailed medium-bodied flavors that exude a subtle minerality on the lingering finish that displays only a trace of rusticity. This is quite good and worth a look. 2020+ (88-91/100)" - Allen Meadows, Burghound.com	72.00	\$ 61.20
DOM	MAINE MONGEARD-MUGNERET – VOSNE-ROMANÉE		
	Bourgogne Rouge (Mongeard-Mugneret)\$	28.00	\$ 23.80
2014	Fixin "Vieilles Vignes" (Mongeard-Mugneret)\$	50.00	\$ 42.50
2014	Gevrey-Chambertin (Mongeard-Mugneret)\$	65.00	\$ 55.25
	Vosne-Romanée (Mongeard-Mugneret)\$		\$ 55.25
2014	Nuits-Saint-Georges "Les Plateaux" (Mongeard-Mugneret)	65.00	\$ 55.25
2014	Vosne-Romanée "Les Orveaux" (Mongeard-Mugneret)	95.00	\$ 80.75
2014	Vosne-Romanée "Les Petits Monts" (Mongeard-Mugneret)\$	115.00	\$ 97.75
2014	Echezeaux (Mongeard-Mugneret)\$	140.00	\$ 119.00
2014	Clos Vougeot (Mongeard-Mugneret)\$ "The 2014 Clos de Vougeot comes from the domaine's 45 to 50 year-old vines close to the château. It has a punchy, redcurrant, cranberry and raspberry-scented bouquet with a touch of leather originating from the new oak that will need three or four years to fully integrate. The palate is medium-bodied with chewy tannin on the entry, good depth, quite muscular for a Clos Vougeot, but with impressive persistence on the finish. (91+/100)" - Neal Martin, erobertparker.com		\$ 161.50

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2014 Grands-Echezeaux (Mongeard-Mugneret) "The 2014 Grands Echézeaux has a clean, pure and quite intense bouquet with dark praspherry and rose petals scents that are beautifully defined. The palate is medium-bodied fine tannin, good depth, a slight earthiness underneath the dark berry fruit mixed with pepper and sage, fanning out gently towards the sturdy, truffle-tinged finish. This is a sophisticated Grands-Echézeaux. (94/100)" - Neal Martin, erobertparker.com	plum, d with black	\$ 191.25
2014 Richebourg (Mongeard-Mugneret)	\$ 395.00	\$ 335.75
DOMAINE DE MONTILLE – VOLNAY		
2014 Nuits-Saint-Georges "Aux Saints Juliens" (de Montille)	\$ 80.00	\$ 68.00
"A discreet application of wood frames the earthy red berry fruit scents that exhibit a hint sauvage. There is good richness to the generous, round and supple medium-bodied flavor culminate in a succulent yet serious finish that suggests that this moderately rustic effort s be at its best after 5 to 7 years of cellaring. 2020+ (87-90/100)" - Allen Meadows, Burghound.com	of the rs that	
2014 Nuits-Saint-Georges "Aux Thorey" (de Montille)	\$ II 5 OO	\$ 97.75
"Soft wood sets off the markedly more floral and spice-infused nose of red and dark be earth and ever-so-mildly sauvage aromas. There is excellent volume and ample punch concentrated, serious and powerful middle weight plus flavors; indeed this is a big and wine that delivers first-rate complexity on the dusty and serious finale. Patience will defi be required but this beauty should be well worth the wait. Worth considering. 2024+93/100)" - Allen Meadows, Burghound.com	erries, to the robust initely	w 97-73
2014 Clos Vougeot (de Montille)	\$ 275.00	\$ 233.75
"A brooding, restrained and cool nose consists mostly of intensely floral and earthy red and berry fruit aromas. There is outstanding punch and solid concentration on the dry extraction broad-shouldered flavors that display plenty of power and muscle on the impressively pers if almost aggressively austere finale. This firmly tannic but balanced effort will require even of 12-ish years to resolve the imposing structure. 2026+. (91-94/100)" - Allen Meadows, Burghound.com	ct-rich sistent	
2014 Vosne-Romanée "Les Malconsorts" (de Montille)	\$ 275.00	\$ 318.75
"A discreet application of oak sets off the openly floral and spicy red currant, plum, sanda and Asian tea scents. There is impressive mid-palate density to the muscular and not powerful medium weight plus flavors that seem to be constructed on a firm base of minerality wrapped in strikingly persistent finish that is austere but well-balanced thanks to the abut level of sappy dry extract. Like the Clos du Roi, this is explicitly built-to-age and don't your precious bottles by drinking them too young. 2029+. (92-94/100)" - Allen Meadows, Burghound.com	ilwood otably ty, all indant	<i>\$</i> 310.75
DOMAINE THOMAS MOREY – CHASSAGNE-MONTRACHET		
2014 Maranges "La Fussière" (Thomas Morey)		\$ 28.05
2014 Santenay "Vieilles Vignes" (Thomas Morey)		\$ 30.60
2014 Santenay "Grand Clos Rousseau" (Thomas Morey)	•	\$ 40.50
•	\$ 50.00	\$ 42.50
DOMAINE PONSOT – MOREY-SAINT-DENIS		_
2014 Morey-Saint-Denis "Cuvée des Grives" (Ponsot)	round.	\$ 89.25
2014 Chambolle-Musigny "Les Charmes" (Ponsot)	realing mouth h and	\$ 191.25

2014 Morey-Saint-Denis "Cuvée des Alouettes" (Ponsot) \$ 225.00 \$ 191.25 "(from Monts Luisants; an alouette is a lark). A slightly riper and more complex nose presents notes of red currant, floral, spice and notably earthy aromas. The energetic, punchy and welldelineated flavors culminate in a lightly mineral-inflected, delicious and well-balanced finale. This moderately firm effort should be drinkable after only 6 to 8 years if desired. 2024+ (89-92/100)" - Allen Meadows, Burghound.com **DOMAINE DE LA POUSSE D'OR** – VOLNAY 2014 Pommard "Les Jarollières" (La Pousse d'Or) \$ 130.00 \$ 110.50 "The attractively fresh, cool and markedly restrained nose only grudgingly reveals its deeply pitched nose of plum, dark currant, earth, forest floor and discreet game hints. There is a sleek muscularity to the intense and relatively powerful medium-bodied flavors that possess evident minerality on the structured finale that is quite firm but not especially austere. I very much like this and it is recommended provided you have the patience to cellar it. 2026+ (93/100)" - Allen Meadows, Burghound.com 2014 Volnay "Clos de la Bousse d'Or" (La Pousse d'Or).....\$ 130.00 \$ 110.50 "A discreet application of wood sets off notably ripe liqueur-like aromas of black pinot fruit, spice, plum and lilac. There is more refinement present on the admirably pure middle weight flavors that also exhibit plenty of minerality on the detailed and seductively textured finale. As it usually is this is an exercise in harmony and grace and one that should age well thanks to its impeccable balance. Worth checking out. 2022+ (92/100)" - Allen Meadows, Burghound.com 2014 Volnay "Clos des 60 Ouvrées" (La Pousse d'Or) \$ 140.00. \$ 119.00 "Here too a subtle touch of wood sets off the notably ripe and highly spiced aromas of plum, violet and gentle earth scents. There is a wonderfully refined and ultra-pure mouth feel to the well-delineated and concentrated middle weight flavors that are almost pungently stony, all wrapped in an intense and focused yet lacy finale that exhibits just a hint of youthful austerity. This is positively gorgeous. In a word lovely. 2024+ (93/100)" - Allen Meadows, Burghound.com \$ 127.50 "In contrast to the nose of the Bressandes this is more obviously wooded and while it's not enough to dominate the more overtly sauvage-inflected dark berry fruit, earth and spice aromas, it's not subtle. There is outstanding density and even more muscle present on the even bigger and richer flavors that also possess a velvety mouth feel thanks to the copious amount of dry extract present on the sappy, complex and very serious finale. This is a big wine with firm tannins to accompany it yet the extract is such that it should be more than capable of not only absorbing the wood treatment but buffering the tannic spine as well. Note well though that this is not a wine to drink in its youth. 2029+ (94/100)" - Allen Meadows, Burghound.com **CLOS DE TART** – MOREY-SAINT-DENIS \$ 531.25 "Bright, dark red. Multidimensional nose offers scents of raspberry, strawberry, cherry, cardamom and Oriental spices, with a faint suggestion of roasted ripeness (the wine weighs in at about 13. 5%). A compellingly sweet, explosive bomb of fruit in the mouth but with nothing sloppy or extreme about it. There's something Musigny-like about this wonderfully seductive, utterly delectable wine, which displays great finesse to its tannins and outstanding rising length. Positive notes of pepper and herbs contribute to an impression of grip but barely make a dent in

the wine's extraordinary fruit. I also tasted a blend that omitted the young-vines cuvée. It was darker and denser but also thicker and more brooding. This version would obviously age more

- Stephen Tanzer, International Wine Cellar

slowly and last longer. (96/100)"