



## The top 10

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To celebrate the release of the new Burgundy vintage this month in London and while you wait for the 2008 to hit the shop shelves, here's 10 newly released red Burgundy wines for you to buy now - from straightforward AC Bourgogne Pinot Noir to more serious premier cru Nuits-Saint-Georges.

### Domaine Chanson, la Dominode, Savigny-les-Beaune 1er Cru 2005

Sweet but ripe fruit with notes of raspberry and cherry. The palate is elegant and well-structured with fine tannins and creamy oak characters, delicate strawberry fruit characters on the finish.

price on request *Mentzendorff, London SE1 (020 7840 3600)*

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### Domaine de la Vougeraie, Gevrey-Chambertin 2007

Ripe, rich and red-fruits nose. Smooth and concentrated palate with a ripe and silky texture. Soft and ripe, with moderate concentration and a juicy finish. Very pleasurable mid-term drinking.

£24 *Laithwaites (0870 444 8383)*

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### Domaine Robert Arnoux, Vosne-Romanee 2003

Nice development on the nose with notes of blackfruit and undergrowth. High acidity with a firm structure and a nice creaminess, lots of ripe fruit on the finish, good length.

£38.99 *The Sampler, Islington (020 7226 8500)*

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### Domaine Chanson, Champimonts, Beaune 1er Cru 2006

Attractive fruit development with notes of strawberry and toasted oak. Well-balanced, with complex structure, nice purity of fruit, and well-integrated characters on the finish.

price on request *Mentzendorff, London SE1 (020 7840 3600)*

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### Domaine Mongeard-Mugneret, Savigny-les-Beaune 2006

Elegant raspberry fruits and hint of minerality; ripe and pure. Medium weight with a crisp acidity and light tannins, complex pure Pinot Noir fruit characters, and a nice juicy finish.

£29.99 *Henderson Wines, Edinburgh (0131 447 8580), KWM Wines & Spirits, Co Down, N Ireland (028 417 62400), Liberty Wines, London SW8 (020 7720 5350)*

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### J F Coche-Dury, Bourgogne 2007

The best producer and probably the most expensive generic red Burgundy that you will come across, but this wine delivers. It has unique purity of fruit - from wild raspberry to fine minerality. Light to medium body with a beautiful finesse on the palate. A very refined wine.

£44.99 *The Sampler, Islington (020 7226 8500)*

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### Domaine de l'Arlot, Les Petits Plets, Nuits-Saint-Georges 1er Cru 2004

Sweetly fruited, with quite an idiosyncratic, savoury seam running throughout. A slight nuance of liquorice and soily undertones add to the complexity, with the earthiness really coming through towards the finish.

£40.56 *Corney & Barrow branches (020 7265 2400)*

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### Jean-Claude Boisset, Les Ursulines, Bourgogne Pinot Noir 2008

Very ripe, juicy nose; forward and fresh with a dark twist to the cherry and red berry fruits. Clean, refreshing and certainly delivers at this price.

£12.99 *Highbury Vintner, London (020 7226 1347), Liberty Wines, London SW8 (020 7720 5350), Noel Young, Cambridge (01223 566 744)*

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### Roux Pere & Fils, Les Argillers, Saint-Aubin 2007

Good intensity with beautiful raspberry fruit. Good weight on the palate with a clean Pinot Noir purity, elegant with a good balance, finesse and long length.

£14.99 *Marks & Spencer stores (020 7935 4422)*

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### Domaine Gilles Jourdan, La Robignotte, Cote de Nuits-Villages 2006

Delicately spiced red cherries at the fore with this plump and smooth offering. Its bright and pure, carrying lovely freshness throughout, ending with a clean, more-ish finish.

£19.91 *Corney & Barrow branches (020 7265 2400)*

