



## **Wine of the Week: JCB No. 8 Crémant de Bourgogne (2009 Burgundy Sparkling Wine) Burgundy, France (\$50)**

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When I daydream about doing “nothing,” it often involves doing a little something, like sipping on luxuriously delicious sparkling wine.

My daydreams have found their muse in this wine. Deep, delicious fruit folds into a toasty complexity that is mesmerizing enough to keep the idle mind busy (if it must). It may be impossible, but perhaps JCB has outdone itself with these are wonderfully exquisite bubbles.

Crémants are traditional method (second fermentation in the bottle as with Champagne) French sparkling wines made outside of the village of Champagne. Using the same methodical method as Champagne, the wines have fine textured bubbles with complex flavors. Many crémants are not aged as long as Champagne, but this 2009 vintage from JCB shows all the luxurious complexity of an aged sparkling wine.

Locals can find this wine at the JCB Tasting Salon next door to Atelier in Yountville, or at the new JCB Salon Privé which is just behind Atelier. Can't get there? No problem; you can also find it online, just the bottle or for \$85, the bottle is embedded with Swarovski crystals!