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2018: THE VINTAGE REPORT (CHABLIS) - November 2019

2018, Chablis Les Vaillons 1er Cru, Domaine Long-Depaquit 90

In bottle. Pale lemon colour. Ripe fruit and some flesh are apparent on the nose. It has a similar tight structure and yellow fruit, but more intense than the straight Chablis and with good length at the back after the slight bitterness. There is good tension but the fruit is a little yellower than for classic Vaillons.

2018, Chablis Les Vaucopins 1er Cru, Domaine Long-Depaquit 92

In bottle. Pale lemon. A lovely crackling crunchy saline nose with white fruit notes. This speaks more of its terroir and less of the vintage. This is quite delicious on the palate though opens out to a little more flesh than is typical. Good length.

2018, Chablis Les Blanchots Grand Cru, Domaine Long-Depaquit 91-94

Clear pale colour with a light lemon tint. Lightish bouquet, but it is an attractive floral perfume, nonetheless. Rather peachier on the palate, with underlying white fruit, crisp, good weight and length. Nice little touch of bitterness behind.

2018, Chablis Les Clos Grand Cru, Domaine Long-Depaquit 91-95

Classiest nose to date, but seems a little under ripe on the palate, with tight lime juice notes. There is some depth of fruit too. Certainly some concentration so this may emerge from here.

2018, Chablis Les Vaudésirs Grand Cru, Domaine Long-Depaquit 92-96

This was the first vineyard to be picked and has benefitted from the decision. Pale colour with a noticeably reductive nose. There is an attractive tension of fruit, and the weight you would expect from this cru. Enough concentration of fruit and not too ripe, indeed builds well at the back.

2018, Chablis Moutonne Grand Cru, Domaine Long-Depaquit 92-97

Clear fresh pale lemon. This is elegant and classy, picked at the right moment. It shows the weight of ripe fruit, predominantly classy white fruit, some pears, a little citrus tingle, nicely saline behind. A wine with depth and weight, and the structure for quite long ageing. Brilliant finish.

