Le Rocher des Violettes Montlouis, Loire Valley

Montlouis Touche Mitaine 2017

Fresh and pure, featuring white ginger, jasmine, verbena, yellow apple and quince notes streaming through. Offers a racy, filigreed finish, with a light, mouth-watering feel. 800 cases made.

***91** pts- James Molesworth, Wine Spectator, November 2018*

The Montlouis "Touche-Mitaine" from Xavier Weisskopf is from a parcel of thirty-five year-old vines, three-quarters of which Monsieur Weisskopf raises in older casks and twenty-five percent in stainless steel tanks. The 2017 Touche-Mitaine offers up a superb bouquet of quince, lime, chalky soil tones, a touch of lanolin, beeswax and a gentle topnote of dried flowers. On the palate the wine is crisp, full-bodied and quite dry in personality, with a good core, fine soil signature, bright acids and fine length and grip on the youthful and gently chalk dusty finish. Structurally, this is accessible today, but the wine has not really started to develop any of its secondary complexity and I would be inclined to let it sleep in the cellar for a while and really let it blossom properly. 2021-2055.

90+ pts- John Gilman, A View from the Cellar, October 2018