Gilbert Picq & ses Fils Chablis



Didier Picq's wines are the epitome of nervy, almost Zen-like Chablis that would run a mile if someone even mentioned "oak" in their presence. Yet, Picq manages to imbue his half-dozen or so cuvées with immense concentration and flavor year after year.

-Neal Martin, Vinous Media, July 2020

Chablis 2019

Hints of citrus oil, beeswax and oyster shell preface Picq's 2019 Chablis, a medium to full-bodied, rich and unusually concentrated wine that's deep and flavorful, concluding with a sapid finish. Followers of this domaine might want to think of it as a somewhat livelier version of the 2015.

88+ pts- William Kelley, Wine Advocate, August 2021

There is superb intensity on the nose, featuring red and green apples, pear and a strong oyster shell/marine scent. The palate is nicely poised and full of tension emanating from the limestone terroirs that also lend this Village Cru its persistence on the finish. Classic Chablis from start to finish.

90-92 pts- Neal Martin, Vinous Media, July 2020

Chablis en Vaudécorse 2019

The 2019 Chablis En Vaudécorse opens in the glass with notes of mandarin oil, oatmeal, clear honey, mirabelle plums, fresh pastry and iodine. Medium to full-bodied, satiny and charming, it's fleshy and succulent, with lively acids and chalky grip.

89 pts- William Kelley, Wine Advocate, August 2021

The 2019 Chablis En Vaudécorse comes from Picq's single hectare of vines on Kimmeridgian soils. It has a very taut, crisp bouquet featuring dew-speckled green apples plus faint, enticing white chocolate hints. The palate is well balanced with bitter lemon on the entry, fresh and vibrant, delivering a potent lick of salinity on the finish. Superb.

92-94 pts- Neal Martin, Vinous Media, July 2020



Chablis Dessus La Carrière 2019

The 2019 Chablis Dessus la Carrière opens in the glass with notions of citrus zest, white flowers, crisp orchard fruit and beeswax. Medium to full-bodied, satiny and chiseled, with lively acids and a long, saline finish, it's concentrated and structured to age.

91+ pts- William Kelley, Wine Advocate, August 2021

The 2019 Chablis "Dessus La Carrière" comes from vines over 50 years old. It has an intense wet limestone and oyster shell bouquet that is beautifully defined and quintessentially Chablis. The palate is vibrant right from the start, slightly chalky in texture, with a killer line of acidity and a surfeit of green apples mixed with crushed stone on the austere but utterly captivating finish. Highly recommended.

92-94 pts- Neal Martin, Vinous Media, July 2020

Chablis Vieilles Vignes 2019

Aromas of citrus zest, white flowers, green apple and fresh bread preface the 2019 Chablis Vieilles Vignes, a medium to full-bodied, satiny and precise wine that's concentrated and chiseled. This has turned out especially well and will reward bottle age.

90+ pts- William Kelley, Wine Advocate, August 2021

The 2019 Chablis Vieilles Vignes comes from vines that will celebrate their 70th birthday next year. This is tighter on the nose compared to Picq's other cuvées, but comes with laser focus and tangible energy. The palate is beautifully balanced, delivering wonderful tension that electrifies the senses. So much nascent energy is coiled up in this Chablis, replete with a persistent saline finish. Magnifique!

93-95 pts- Neal Martin, Vinous Media, July 2020

Chablis 1er Cru Vaucoupin 2019

The 2019 Chablis 1er Cru Vaucoupin bursts with aromas of orange oil, green apple, beeswax and fresh bread. Medium to full-bodied, rich and textural, it's deep and concentrated, concealing its more than 14% alcohol to conclude with a precise finish.

92 pts- William Kelley, Wine Advocate, August 2021

The 2019 Chablis Vaucoupin 1er Cru, from vines mostly planted in 1990, was so clear in color that Didier Picq is currently unsure whether he will filter or not. It has a poised, elegant bouquet with touches of white flower and white chocolate furnishing the aromatics. The palate is very harmonious, delivering the tension one associates with this domaine. The most mineral-driven of Picq's 2019s, featuring a very intense, persistent finish. For serious Chablis-lovers.

92-94 pts- Neal Martin, Vinous Media, July 2020



Chablis 1er Cru Vosgros 2019

The 2019 Chablis 1er Cru Vosgros gets my nod as Picq's finest wine in this ripe vintage. Mingling notes of crisp Anjou pear and green apple with hints of wet stones, oyster shell and white flowers, it's medium to full-bodied, satiny and chiseled, with a textural attack and an ample core of fruit that's girdled by bright acids, concluding with a long, saline finish.

92+ pts- William Kelley, Wine Advocate, August 2021

The 2019 Chablis Vosgros comes from vines planted in the early 1960s and in 1986. The nose sports a very subtle but beneficial reduction, and there are lovely, pure dried pineapple and crushed limestone scents underneath. The palate is well balanced with a little more substance than the Vaucoupin and comes across as spicier toward the persistent finish. Excellent, but this cuvée will demand the most patience from Picq's devotees.

93-95 pts- Neal Martin, Vinous Media, July 2020

