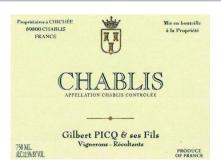
Gilbert Picq & ses Fils Chablis





Chablis 2021

Cropped at a very modest 18 hectoliters per hectare, Picq's 2021 Chablis offers up aromas of lemon candy, white flowers and buttery pastry, followed by a medium to full-bodied, satiny and chiseled palate.

88 pts- William Kelley, The Wine Advocate, August 2023

The 2021 Chablis Village was picked as low as 20hl/ha in some parcels that were severely affected by frost. Nevertheless, it has a fresh and vibrant bouquet with fine mineralité and vivacity. "Classic Chablis" as Didier Picq tells me with what I am sure is a grin. The palate is fresh and taut, a fine saline undercurrent with a sharp and quite harmonious finish. You don't find Chablis-Village much better than this in 2021.

89-91 pts- Neal Martin, Vinous Media, June 2022

Chablis Vieilles Vignes 2021

Including the lieu-dit Vaudécorse this year, Picq's 2021 Chablis Vieilles Vignes is a highlight of the range, exhibiting aromas of honeyed citrus fruit, crisp green apple and oyster shell, followed by a medium to fullbodied, satiny and enveloping palate that's racy and saline, concluding with a penetrating finish.

91 pts- William Kelley, The Wine Advocate, August 2023

The 2021 Chablis Vieilles Vignes was acutely affected by the frost with Vaudécorse cropped at a paltry 9hl/ha. It has a flinty, tightly-wound bouquet that is focused and vibrant, yet somehow more "serious" than the Chablis-Villages. The palate is very well balanced with more depth and substance than the Chablis-Village, harmonious, lightly spiced with gorgeous lime and white peach notes towards the elegant finish. Wonderful.

92-94 pts- Neal Martin, Vinous Media, June 2022



Chablis Dessus La Carrière 2021

The 2021 Chablis Dessus la Carrière is a charming classic, wafting from the glass with aromas of orange zest, clear honey, white flowers, almonds and oyster shell. Medium to full-bodied, satiny and pure, it's a pretty, racy wine that's expressive out of the gates.

91 pts- William Kelley, The Wine Advocate, August 2023

The 2021 Chablis Au Dessus des Carrières comes from two parcels planted mainly in the seventies. Vibrant again on the nose, this offers enticing scents of yellow plum, flint and subtle petrichor scents that unfurl in the glass. The palate is well balanced with fine depth, perhaps a little more linear than the Vieilles Vignes with a very focused finish. Excellent. Chablis like a Swiss watch!

92-94 pts- Neal Martin, Vinous Media, June 2022

Chablis 1er Cru Vaucoupin 2021

Didier lost 80% of this, ending up with only 10 hectoliters of wine. This will be bottled only in magnum and there will be 590 to 600 of them. Didier said he watched the fruit "like oil on a fire" given the heavy disease pressure. Given how hard it is to make small quantities of wine, this is utterly stunning. The nose offers papaya and pineapple before the palate turns zippy with pink grapefruit and pithy liveliness. The energy is palpable in this wine.

94 pts- Christy Canterbury MW, TimAtkin.com 2023

The 2021 Chablis Vaucoupin 1er Cru was acutely affected by frost and all the season's other ailments, cropped at a measly (Didier Picq's bashes in the figures in his calculator) 15hl/ha. My sample had only be fined. As such, it will only be bottled in magnums. It has a beautifully-defined, mineral, wet limestone scented bouquet that just reeks of Chablis. It could not come from anywhere else. The palate is well balanced with tropical hints of pineapple and passion fruit, a little orange pith on the entry. Very intense, though I feel the Vosgros has a more mineral-driven finish this year.

91-93 pts- Neal Martin, Vinous Media, June 2022

Chablis 1er Cru Vosgros 2021

Notes of citrus zest, flowers, oyster shell and fresh mint preface the 2021 Chablis 1er Cru Vosgros, a medium to full-bodied, satiny and chiseled wine with racy acids and a mineral, orange blossom-inflected finish.

92 pts- William Kelley, The Wine Advocate, August 2023

The 2021 Chablis Vosgros 1er Cru is the only cuvée with a normal yield (50hl/ha) as Didier warmed the vineyard with wax candles during the frost. It has a perfumed nose with hints of pressed white flowers and a light oyster shell tincture that emerges with time. The palate is well balanced with a fine bead of acidity, perhaps the most saline of Picq's cuvées with a long tail on the satisfying finish. Proper Chablis!

93-95 pts- Neal Martin, Vinous Media, June 2022

