Highly Recommended (continued) 90-94pts



Château de Fesles, Anjou 2014 90 JB 90 CK 90 BL 90

£13.35 Private Cellar

A taut and sappy wine with golden orchard fruits that are sweetly ripe yet not overdone. It is lean, reflecting the 2014 vintage, with some nervous energy but it is no less delicious for that. **Drink** 2018-2030 **Alc** 13%



Château Moncontour, Vouvray 2014 90 JB 90 CK 90 BL 89

£11.99 Sogrape UK

Pea and mint notes come through on the austere nose. It is full of fresh clean lines with a polished substance that is still quite tight but will open out with some degree of charm. **Drink** 2017-2025 **Alc** 12%



Château Soucherie, Blanc Ivoire, Anjou 2015 90 JB 94 CK 88 BL 89

N/A UK www.domaine-de-la-soucherie.fr

An uncomplicated, quiet style showing an attractive, generous texture with grip underneath the honey, apple and pear fruit. It is firm, pithy and bitter, but has enough ripeness to carry it through. **Drink** 2017-2030 **Alc** 12.5%



Château Soucherie, Clos des Perrières, Savennières 2014 90 JB 92 CK 88 BL 91

N/A UK www.domaine-de-la-soucherie.fr

Aromas of box hedge and softly polished oak. There is concentration but the terroir shines through with lively citrus acidity. It may take on greater weight with further bottle age. **Drink** 2017-2028 **Alc** 12%



Domaine Michel Chevré, Clos de l'Ecotard, Saumur 2015 90 JB 85 CK 94 BL 90

POA Les Caves de Pyrene

A delightful, gentle wine with great fragrance and a honeyed character to the nose and palate. The fruit is cool and fresh but concentrated, and this rolls onto a long finish. **Drink** 2017-2020 **Alc** 13%



Domaine de Bablut, Petit Prince, Anjou 2014 90 JB 90 CK 91 BL 88

N/A UK www.bablut.fr

Bright notes on the nose but the palate here seems a little dilute. It is crunchy and mineral combined with exciting acidity, so give it time and this will come together. **Drink** 2017-2022 **Alc** 13%



Domaine de la Paleine, Pamina, Saumur 2015 90 JB 92 CK 89 BL 89

N/A UK www.domaine-paleine.com

A rich and honeyed style of Chenin with lanolin and sweet fruit showing through. The broad palate is a touch confected but the acidity is animated and it is impressive all the same. **Drink** 2017-2022 **Alc** 13%



Domaine des Forges, Clos du Papillon, Savennières 2015 90 JB 92 CK 87 BL 92

£17.95 Lay & Wheeler, Tanners

A soft style of Savennières but showing a bitter, pithy grip through the middle, which rages on to the finish. The palate lingers with ginger and apple, but in a very refined manner. **Drink** 2018-2030 **Alc** 14%



Domaine des Roches Neuves, L'Insolite, Saumur 2015 90 JB 92 CK 91 BL 87

£16-£20.70 D&D Wine, Exel, Les Caves de Pyrene A clean, zippy style of Chenin that has vigour and real charm. White peach is deliciously poised on top of abundant stony minerals. A well-formed, balanced wine that could be a revelation given time. Drink 2017-2025 Alc 13%



Domaine Patrick Baudouin, Effusion, Anjou 2015 90 JB 90 CK 88 BL 92

£22.50 H2Vin

A nose well framed with oak which enhances the wild honey and earthy, appley nature of the wine. There is warm chamomile and toasty fruit on the palate backed up by orange pith and blossom. **Drink** 2018-2028 **Alc** 12.5%



François Chidaine, Les Bournais Franc de Pied, Montlouis-sur-Loire 2015 90 JB 88 CK 90 BL 91

£30.50 H2Vin

This has a fresh, dusty nose of rosemary, thyme and sweet peach, backed by spicy lanolin. A red apple palate is backed by incisive acidity and fine bitterness. Not a heavyweight, but attractive. **Drink** 2017-2022 **Alc** 13%



François Pinon, Vouvray 2015 90 JB 95 CK 86 BL 90

£20 Vine Trail

Woody hints intermingle with acacia and earthy tones, flowing onto a cool palate that is initially oily then fans out with mineral freshness. There is impressive grip on the finish; a robust example. **Drink** 2017-2028 **Alc** 12.7%