# Wine Spectator

## **HOT WINES**

### **FRANCE**

#### **Burgundy**

#### Corton Clos du Roy Grand Cru 2017 : 93 points

Offers ample oak in the form of tannins and toasty, vanilla and spice notes, complementing a core of juicy cherry, raspberry and sandalwood flavors. Intense, sinewy and long, with a persistent aftertaste of fruit, spice and mineral. Best from 2021 through 2038. 1,000 cases made, 50 cases imported. — BS

#### Gevrey Chambertin La Justice 2017 : 93 points

Lush, with black cherry, blackberry, plum, vanilla and toast aromas and flavors. Open and accessible, this nonetheless exhibits dense, refined tannins. Offers terrific harmony and a lingering, fresh finish. Best from 2022 through 2042. 1,500 cases made, 150 cases imported. BS

#### Corton Charlemagne Grand Cru 2017: 92 points

Lemon cake, apple and white flower aromas and flavors are woven into the supple fabric of this vibrant white. The lively structure keeps this focused and fresh, while the lingering aftertaste of citrus, spice and mineral shows detail. Best from 2021 through 2028. 1,250 cases made, 50 cases imported. — BS

#### Volnay 1er Cru Clos des Chênes 2017 : 92 points

This is packed with cherry, raspberry and sweet spice flavors. Silky and harmonious, caressing and detailed, ending with a long, smoke-, spice- and fruit-saturated aftertaste. Best from 2021 through 2033. 1,250 cases made, 100 cases imported. — BS

#### **Corton Bressandes Grand Cru 2017: 90 points**

A kernel of cherry shows at the center of this broad-shouldered red. Mineral and oak spice notes come to the fore, with a firm edge of grape and oak tannins lining the finish. Best from 2022 through 2033. 900 cases made, 50 cases imported. — BS

#### Pernand Vergelesses 1er Cru Sous Frétille 2017: 89 points

Light, lemony and linear, this white picks up floral and mineral accents. Apple and pear notes add depth. Lively acidity drives the finish. Drink now through 2023. 1,000 cases made, 50 cases imported. — BS