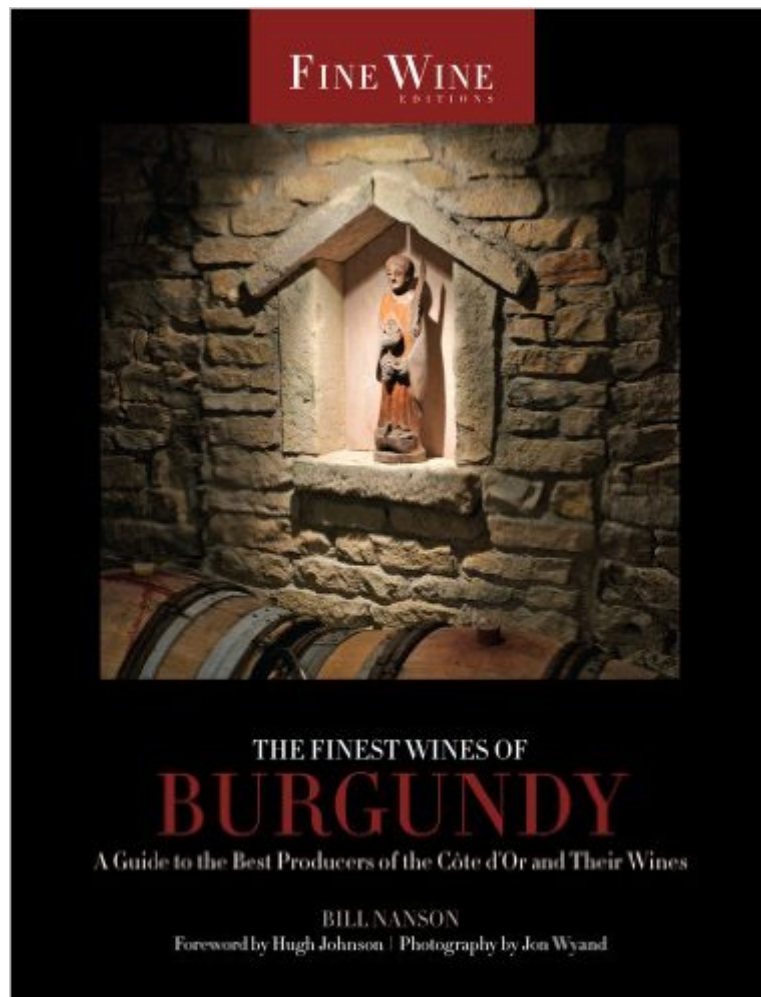


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# The Finest Wines Of Burgundy: A Guide To The Best Producers Of The Côte D'Or And Their Wines (The World's Finest Wines)



## Synopsis

Burgundy has a far stronger hold over the imagination and passions of wine lovers than the relatively modest number of bottles it produces. Over the centuries, hundreds of plots of vineyard land were demarcated, farmed, and individually named. The monks who did this work noticed that each vineyard had a slightly different character, and that this difference was consistently expressed each year in the wine it produced. Today we call this phenomenon *terroir*, and in Burgundy it finds its fullest expression through the region's signature varieties, Chardonnay and Pinot Noir. This sumptuously illustrated and beautifully produced guide, complete with maps and more than 150 full-color photographs, leads readers on a journey through the well-worn vineyard paths and into the cellars of the Côte d'Or. Bill Nanson's informative narrative describes the region's vineyards and vintages, as well as the cultural, historical, and personal realities involved in their translation into wine.

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"The Wines of Burgundy" or Matt Kramer's "Making Sense of Burgundy" (wish Kramer would update and reissue) which I presume is current.- Up to date contact data, websites, phone numbers.- Puts the wine critics in perspective (Parker, et al) in promoting some producers over others (however, fails to acknowledge the value provided to the public through their tasting expertise ... WS, Meadows, Tanzer, J Robinson, and Parker (Neal Martin ... great palate). Comment ... it's all in the tasting notes, Bill Nanson ... not the score ... and it's all in understanding the critic's biases.- Not a fluff book. This is real guide to select burgundy producers. There is a bibliography, somewhat limited in scope.Shortcomings the Burgundy lover may find disconcerting ...- Maps are cartoon like, of limited use (buy The World Atlas of Wine or Hachette Atlas).- Choice of 100 top producers (and wines of top producers) follow author's biases, with marked differences from wine 'experts' and what I might choose, the benefit of being the author :-) This extends to the best domaines, best winemakers, etc. Some of the choices seem idiosyncratic or out of date. For example, inexplicably missing among producers/winemakers to name a few who might be considered ...

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