Breaking news - Burg '09 torrent starts here

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In response to some Purple pagers' observations that the top burgundy 2009s are already selling out (see this thread in Members' forum), we have changed our plans from the usual routine of publishing all our burgundy en primeur notes in one big chunk in late January after all the notes from the London tastings have been entered into our database, checked and ordered. Instead we have decided today to publish a big swathe of top burgundy 2009 notes any minute.

The tasting notes on all 300 wines I tasted at generally smart domaines when in Burgundy in late October are already in our database. (I took this picture of Pernand vineyards in the early morning sun then, incidentally.)

SO, in an effort to be as helpful as possible, we have published these this afternoon (see links below) as a series of half-formed articles - with the following provisos:

1. They are not yet checked and edited so you may find some oddities. Poor Tamlyn Currin has based them on my raw, typed notes which I'm sure were often opaque.

2. These tasting articles, divided into four alphabetically by producer (sur)name, are works in progress. We will continue to add to each of them the many hundreds of tasting notes we expect to add next week during the London tastings.

3. The ordering may therefore be a bit out of kilter at certain points. The putting of the notes in the right order is a very tricky operation at the best of times, but particularly when one publishes an article in a half-finished state. However, if you are looking for a specific name, you can always use the tasting notes search or Ctrl+F in the tasting article itself.

4. Please keep revisiting these four tasting articles to check which new tasting notes have been added. We will give them the publication date of the last time they were augmented to try to help you keep track.

Burgundy 2009 A-D
Burgundy 2009 E-L
Burgundy 2009 Q-Z