

DOMAINE
MICHEL MALLARD *et Fils*

Millésime 2011

Allen Meadows

Ladoix rouge « *Le Clos Royer* » 2011 : 86/100

There are wisps of crushed leaf and herbal tea to very fresh and cool red currant and earth aromas. The seductive, round and delicious middle weight flavors possess good verve though there is enough acid tang on the finish to cut it somewhat short. I would suggest drinking this young for its fruit.

Ladoix 1er Cru « *La Corvée* » 2011 : 88/100

A notably riper if still restrained nose features notes of red berries, floral hints and plenty of earth character. There is good richness and better phenolic maturity to the seductively textured medium-bodied flavors that possess solid depth on the moderately rustic finale.



Aloxe-Corton 1er Cru « *Les Valozières* » 2011 : 88/100

The fresh, ripe and cool nose reflects notes of cool and layered red currant, raspberry, warm earth and a hint of the sauvage. Here there is more volume and power to the round, rich and delicious middle weight flavors that also display good if not truly special complexity and persistence on the slightly firmer where the rusticity is more pronounced.

Aloxe-Corton 1er Cru « *La Toppe au vert* » 2011 : 90/100

Aggressive swirling is required to liberate the timid aromas of various red berries, floral nuances and game hints. There is both excellent richness and volume to the medium weight flavors that possess that lovely sense of underlying tension before culminating in a firm, serious, complex and balanced finish. This is worth considering.

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Corton Grand Cru « *Le Rognet* » 2011 : 92/100

Like the toppe au vert this is very restrained and requires plenty of agitation to coax the more complex aromas of dark berries, dried flowers and plenty of sauvage character to reveal themselves. There is excellent richness, size, weight and punch to the big-bodied and intense flavors that possess excellent depth on the balanced and beautifully persistent finish. This will require at least 6 to 8 years of bottle age and reward up to 15.



Corton Grand Cru « *Les Maréchaudes* » 2011 : 91/100

Here the nose is distinctly floral as the stems are in evidence along with admirably pure ripe and fresh red and dark currant aromas that are tinged in earth nuances. There is fine richness to the attractively textured flavors where the supporting tannins are phenolically mature, all wrapped in a delicious, complex and highly persistent finish. In the same fashion as the 2012 version, this is not a big wine by the standards of Corton, but I like the combination of focused power with a certain refinement.

Corton Grand Cru « *Les Renardes* » 2011 : 92/100

An overly savage nose displays both red and dark currant, humus, floral and spice scents. There is highly textured mouth feel to the broad-shouldered and muscular flavors that possess plenty of power before terminating in a mouth coating, intense, balanced and driving finish. This is very Corton yet not excessively rustic through note that this will also require a minimum of 6 to 8 years of bottle age.

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Aloxe-Corton 1^{er} Cru « La Toppe au Vert » 2011 *

Michel Mallard agrandit dans les années 1950 le domaine familial, repris depuis par son fils Patrick et son petit-fils Michel. Un domaine de 12,5 ha aujourd'hui, qui se distingue régulièrement pour ses Ladoix, Aloxe et Corton.

Le domaine cultive 43 ares de ce climat situé sous le grand cru Corton Les Vergennes. Le vin présente un nez fin et avenant de fruits rouges, framboise en tête. On retrouve le petit fruit, avec intensité, dans une bouche offrant une bonne mâche et de la concentration sans excès, soutenue par des tanins élégants. Une bouteille déjà harmonieuse, qui ne sera que meilleure après un peu de garde.

Garde : 2016-2020

Accord : Volaille farcie aux champignons



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- **Aloxe-Corton 1er Cru « La Toppe au Vert » 2011 : 16/20**
- **Corton Grand Cru « Les Renardes » 2011 : 16,5/20**

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