

# VINOUS

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Rating Scale

90-95

Outstanding.

A wine of remarkable personality and breed that is well worth seeking out.

85-89

Excellent.

A strong wine with true character that provides highly enjoyable drinking. This is the sweet spot for values and everyday wines that won't break the bank.

## MÂCONNAIS 2016 AND 2015 : DEALING WITH THE ELEMENTS

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**92** **POUILLY-FUISSÉ 'LES INSARTS' 2016**  
Very ripe but vibrant on the nose, offering alluring scents of yellow peach and almond. Harmonious juicy acidity keeps the wine's silky fruit shapely and firm... this wine has more body and structure, not to mention saline minerality. This savory, mineral-driven wine finishes with length and power.

**91** **POUILLY-FUISSÉ 'VIGNES BLANCHES' 2016**  
Bright, full yellow with green highlights. Expressive, pure nose offers aromas of stone fruits and minerals. Very ripe but boasts a compelling balance of sweetness and acidity. Wonderfully plush, extract-rich flavors of stone fruits and spices. Finishes smooth and very long.

**90** **POUILLY-FUISSÉ 'LA MARÉCHAUDE' 2016**  
Smoky ripe peach and flowers on the nose, with hints of almond, herbs and dried fruits, plus a slightly intrusive oakiness. Rich, silky and honeyed but also brisk and alive, thanks to good harmonious acidity. Finishes broad, fresh and firm-edged.

**89** **POUILLY-FUISSÉ 2016**  
Very ripe aromas of stone fruits, truffle, smoke, nuts, spicy oak and flinty minerality. Rich, ripe stone and tropical fruit flavors are not quite as opulent as those of the 2015 bottling but deliver lovely silky texture and attractive framing acidity. Finishes smooth and persistent.

**89** **SAINT-VÉРАН 2016**  
Bright, full yellow. Complex, pure scents of lemon, orange, mint and herbs, plus suggestions of riper yellow fruits. Quite round and plush but pure and light on its feet. Offers very good mouth coverage without any undue weight and finishes with attractive spicy lift.


**89** **VIRÉ-CLESSÉ 'QUINTAINE' 2016**  
Sexy yellow stone fruit and soft citrus aromas complicated by a buttery note.. Large-sca | ed, broad and very dry; quite plush and stuffed with yellow fruits and spices. Finishes with a firm citrus edge and a lightly phenolic impression.

**88** **MÂCON-VERZÉ 2016**  
Bright, full yellow. Ripe scents of orange zest and spices verge on exotic... This juicy, lightly saline wine benefits from a surprising spine of lemony acidity and finishes dry and persistent, with good density.

**92+** **POUILLY-FUISSÉ 'LES INSARTS' 2015**  
Brooding nose offers tropical fruits and smoky oak, plus a truffley nuance. Huge, thick, deep wine with high alcohol buffered by strong dry extract. This very ripe, seamless Pouilly-Fuissé boasts uncanny depth of fruit and mouth coverage, not to mention powerful underlying structure.

**90** **POUILLY-FUISSÉ 'LA MARÉCHAUDE' 2015**  
Exotic apricot, almond and honey aromas clearly communicate the hot vintage. Very rich, plush, spicy and deep but also quite dry; less open and fruity than the 2016 version. This 2015 boasts solid structure and length and should repay a couple years of cellaring.

**89** **POUILLY-FUISSÉ 'VIGNES BLANCHES' 2015**  
Full, bright yellow-gold. Riper but less fruity and vibrant than the 2016 version, offering scents of honey, nuts and wild herbs. A plush, thick wine with a slightly heavy character to its honey, spice and truffle flavors.

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