



2008 Domaine Guffens-Heynen Pouilly-Fuissé Clos des Petits-Croux

Rating 100	Release Price NA	Drink Date 2018 - 2028	Producer: Guffens-Heynen
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Color: White

Type: Table

Sweetness: Dry

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Variety: Chardonnay

Jean-Marie Guffens considers the 1990 Pouilly-Fuissé Clos des Petits-Croux to be the finest wine he has ever made, and while he has produced some other stunners in his long career—the 1995 Chablis Valmur and the 1992 Corton-Charlemagne from Maison Verget spring to mind, along with plenty of cuvées from Domaine Guffens-Heynen—this bottle left little room for disagreement. Unfurling in the glass with aromas of buttered orchard fruit, iodine, beeswax, oatmeal and tarte tatin, it's full-bodied, stunningly multidimensional and searingly intense, with an elegantly satiny attack, an electric sense of energy, chalky underlying structure and amazing concentration. The tongue-tingling finish is almost interminable. One of the three or four best white wines I've enjoyed this year, I'm compelled to give it the highest possible score. Waxing lyrical, Guffens describes it as "a refutation of mediocrity," and it certainly shatters the glass ceiling that so often means that a wine from Pouilly-Fuissé can never garner the same accolades as a wine from Puligny-Montrachet. 588 bottles and 58 magnums were produced.