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CÔTES DE BOURG

Ch Civrac 2008 Côtes de Bourg 16.5 Drink 2011-14

40% Merlot, 25% Cabernet Sauvignon, 35% Malbec. Bright purplish ruby. Dark, slightly smoky nose of cedar and cassis in a restrained style. The merest hint of violets, perhaps from the Malbec. Tight and fresh on the palate, oak well in proportion to the fruit. A big step up from the 2007 – riper but with classic restraint. Tannins are fine and poised. Moderate length and an attractive fresh finish. (JH)

Ch Fougas Maldoror 2008 Côtes de Bourg 16.5 Drink 2012-15

Sweet red, bright fruit. Juicy rather than powerful but harmonious and fresh with finesse in a lighter mode. (JH)

Ch Roc de Cambes 2008 Côtes de Bourg 16.5 Drink 2014-21

Very dark. Rather spicy burgundian oak. Very rich and almost burnt. Really different from the norm. Sweet and brûlée. Polished. Enough freshness - more burgundian in structure than bordeaux. Neat. Sweet and sour and very flattering.