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Highly Recommended (continued) 90-94pts



Domaine de Rocheville, Le Page, Saumur-Champigny 2014 92 JB 92 CK 91 LP 92

£9.95-£14.99 Handford Wines, Somerset Wine Co, Woodwinters
Ripe, dark fruits on the nose with a floral edge. Supple palate that is very elegant, composed and juicy, with lots of substance. Spices and roasted meat follow soft tannins leading to a concentrated finish. Drink 2016-2022 Alc 13%



Domaine Filhatrean, Château Fouquet, Saumur 2014 92 JB 94 CK 85 LP 98

£12.75 Vase Bros
A restrained fruit purée nose with hints of bell pepper and chalky freshness. A lovely, soft texture with silky tannins and elegant acidity. Well-balanced with a great structure making for a delicious wine. Drink 2016-2025 Alc 12.5%



La Folie Lucé, Encore, Saumur-Champigny 2014 92 JB 95 CK 94 LP 86

N/A UK www.lafolie.com
Dark and restrained nose of dried plums with a vanilla lift. Not a heavyweight but has a lot of charm, plenty of ripe red fruit and a very complete and elegant finish. Has the potential to cellar. Drink 2016-2025 Alc 13%

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Wine	Score	JB	CK	LP	Tasting note	Alc	Drink	Price	Stockists
Clotilde et René-Noël Legendre, Tourraie, S-Champigny 2011	89	86	93	89	Dark, lightly roasted fruits with hints of apricot/leek. Full-bodied palate with foamy and liquorice notes. Tannins quite present but in good balance.	13.5%	2016-2023	N/A UK	www.dominic-legendre.com
Domaine de Rocheville, Prince, Saumur-Champigny 2013	89	94	88	86	Earthy dried dark fruit aromas. Bright and fresh palate with a savoury structure and lots of grip and charm. Zippy acidity with lots of extraction.	13%	2016-2024	£12.95	Dezha Antley, Woodwinters
Dom des Roches Neuves, La Margolis, S-Champigny 2013	89	90	86	92	Increasing nose of dark cherry, vanilla and smoke - surprisingly dark for this vintage. Attractive texture with lightly grained tannins. Admirable effort.	12.5%	2016-2021	£12.15	Earl Wines, Les Caves de Pyrene
Dom des Roches Neuves, Mainsières, S-Champigny 2014	89	90	92	85	Blockbuster concrete aroma with a concentrated palate that is nicely balanced by fruit, texture, acidity and tannic grip. Needs time but attractive.	12.5%	2017-2030	£11.57	Les Caves de Pyrene, Williams
Domaine du Collier, La Ripaille, Saumur 2012	89	89	89	89	A concentrated wine with a crisp, cool, crunchy palate. Perfumed fruits, violets and bright acidity makes for a well-balanced drink delicious.	12.5%	2016-2019	N/A UK	www.domaineducollier.fr/en
Dom la Bonneville, Tradition, Saumur-Champigny 2015	89	89	91	88	A dusky red-aromat and cranberry nose, and a juicy palate. Light bodied - a pleasant, easy-drinking style - with gentle tannins and some juicy fruit.	12.5%	2016-2020	N/A UK	www.ladonneville.com
Le Paire St-Vincent, Les Poyeux, Saumur-Champigny 2014	89	82	90	94	Sweet and aromatic black cherry fruit that is smoky and fresh. Juicy on the palate with a good balance of acidity and high minerality. Pure and fresh.	13%	2016-2022	£12.50	Vineyard
Alliance Loire, Les Villaines, Saumur-Champigny 2014	88	88	88	89	Bright, dark cherry nose. The palate is supple, but with a dark and grainy fruit character. Tannins may need some time to soften but it is well balanced.	12.5%	2017-2024	£10.95	Conley & Brown
Clos des Cordeliers, Tradition, Saumur-Champigny 2014	88	86	88	89	Dark, dried cherry skins, slightly warm and gamey. Softly textured with a chippy backbone and a herby edge. Finishes a touch bitter with warm spices.	12.5%	2016-2021	£12.50 (£13)	The Wine Society
Dom de Noëles, Printemps, Saumur-Champigny 2015	88	88	92	85	Bloodberry and blackcurrant on the nose. The palate is elegant and supple, with lovely piquancy of violets and oaky. Floral and fresh a very feminine style.	N/A	2016-2025	N/A UK	www.mpl.com
Dom de St-Just, Terre Rouges, Saumur-Champigny 2014	88	86	88	89	Steezy fruit on the nose with a lift of red fruit perfume. The palate is full of pomelo, redcurrant and floral, but still with that steely edge.	13%	2016-2020	N/A UK	www.stjust.net
Domaine du Collier, La Chapellerie, Saumur 2012	88	88	87	90	Cherry fruit aromas with a sooty character. Has good texture with freshness on the palate. Displays punch and substance with a cherry fruit finish.	12.5%	2016-2020	N/A UK	www.domaineducollier.com
Château de Bréval, Clos du Yeu-Loup, Saumur 2014	87	89	83	89	Chord toasty oak with plum and liquorice aromas. Carbonised fruit palate with marked acidity and vanilla flavours. Might need more time to integrate.	13%	2017-2022	N/A UK	www.chateau-breval.com
Château de Châteaux, VV, Saumur-Champigny 2011	87	82	89	90	Dark saddle fruit with notes of sea-bow. Very straightforward style. Lean but polished blackcurrant, toasted cinnamon notes and spiced bread to finish.	12.5%	2016-2023	N/A UK	www.chateaux.com
Château de Paray, Le Clos, Saumur-Champigny 2014	87	86	89	86	Sweet, seductively perfumed cherry aromas that lead to a crisp palate. A class style with good weight and texture, though slightly grainy on the finish.	13.5%	2016-2022	£14	Conley & Brown
Château de Targé, Saumur-Champigny 2014	87	84	87	89	Warm, lightly roasted fruit along with green pepper notes. The bright palate is meaty and juicy with toasted almonds, soft tannins and a vanilla polish.	N/A	2016-2025	N/A UK	www.chateau-targe.com
Domaine Bevan Dubois, Du Clos, Saumur-Champigny 2011	87	89	83	89	Dark plum composite joins rice, soft tannins on an attractively textured palate. The nose is a little closed but the palate is delicious.	N/A	2016-2025	N/A UK	www.dubois.com