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Cru Bourgeois - 2014s and a new plan



Ch Labadie 2014 Médoc *Merlot and Cabernet Sauvignon.*

Coffee and smoke aromas - from toasted oak, perhaps? Some bitter notes on the finish, and there's a little dilution on the mid-palate too. Enjoyable flavours, but doesn't come together as a whole. (RH) 13.5% Drink 2016-2020

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Ch Pontet Barrail 2014 Médoc *50% Cabernet Sauvignon, 40% Merlot, 5% Petit Verdot, 5% Cabernet Franc. Aged in barrique.*

Luxurious, fragrant and engaging on the nose. Lovely combination of violet scent, spice and pristine blackcurrant fruit. Lovely firm structure that will age well, but is by no means austere for early drinking. Classic claret characteristics of cedar and pencil lead already on show - great stuff, really well done indeed. I see that I liked their 2012 as well. (RH) Drink 2017-2027

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