



*“Vignerons de Bel Air (not to be confused with Domaine de Bel Air) is a co-operative of about 250 growers that farm approximately 700 hectares in all ten of the Beaujolais crus. I was pleasantly surprised by the quality on display matched with very affordable prices. These are well worth seeking out.”*

*By Neil Martin*

## 87 **Beaujolais-Villages « Automne Gourmand » 2013**

*The 2013 Beaujolais Villages comes from 45-year-old vines and sees six months in stainless steel tank. It has a light red currant bouquet with a touch of seaweed. The palate is medium-bodied with fine definition, well-judged acidity and a clean, crisp finish. This is very fine “BV” to glug to your heart’s content over the next two or three years.*

*Drink now-2017.*

## 89 **Brouilly « Eté Indien » 2013**

*The 2013 Brouilly comes from 55-year-old vines and undergoes semi-carbonic maceration. It has a crisp dark cherry and bergamot-scented bouquet that is bright ‘n perky. The palate is tensile right from the start, suffused with a laser-sharp line of acidity and a brisk, slightly leafy but long finish that feels very satisfying.*

*Drink now-2018.*

## 87 **Chiroubles « Eté Fleuri » 2013**

*The 2013 Chiroubles comes from 50-year-old vines on pink granite soils and undergoes semi-carbonic maceration before aging in stainless steel for six months. It has a light red currant and wild strawberry nose with subtle undergrowth scents. The palate is medium-bodied with crisp tannins, bright cherry fruit with good weight on the no-frills finish.*

*Drink now-2017.*

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## 89 Morgon « Hiver Gourmand » 2013

*The 2013 Morgon “Ete Gourmand” comes from 49-year-old vines. It has a vivacious black currant and raspberry-scented bouquet that is focused and well-defined. The palate is well-balanced with juicy ripe tannins, and there is an attractive touch of white pepper sprinkled on the natural, refined finish.*

*Drink now-2019.*

## 89 Morgon « Le Py » 2013

*The 2013 Morgon “Le Py” comes from 60-year-old vines and undergoes semi-carbonic maceration while 20% of the crop is raised in barrel for six months. It has a light marine-influenced bouquet that is pretty and refined, although it needs another year to really coalesce. The palate is medium-bodied with tensile tannins, crisp acidity and a compact, structured finish that will benefit from bottle age.*

*Drink 2016-2022.*

## 89 Moulin à Vent « Domaine des Ailes » 2013

*The 2013 Moulin-a-Vent (Domaine des Ailes) comes from 2.88 hectares of 50-year-old vines and after semi-carbonic maceration sees 30% aged in barrel for six months. It has a fragrant, slightly earthy bouquet with cranberry and wild strawberry aromas that unfurl nicely in the glass. The palate is medium-bodied with slightly chewy tannins. There is good weight here, while the finish is crunchy and crisp.*

*Drink 2015-2021.*