

SWEET WINES (Continued) - Limited Stock**SL44981 Baumard Quarts de Chaume 2006, France 13.5% (37.5cl) 24.95**

The Quarts de Chaume 2006 is listed in the guide: 'The 101 Best Wines of France 2010'. It was classed as the best wine in the Loire, the second best Dessert wine in France and the third best wine overall for the whole of France. A superb achievement and deserved recognition of Florent Baumard's talents. Drink now to 2018+. *'The aromas of dried fruits do not show the sweetness and unctuousness of this ripe, botrytized wine. It has sweet honey flavors, spice, orange peel and a pure streak of acidity. This wine can age well, but it could also be drunk this year. 94 points'* - Roger Voss, The Wine Enthusiast. Enjoy with fine blue cheeses.

RED WINES**SL44982 Baumard 'Clos de la Folie' 2009, Anjou, France 12.5 14.99****Only 6 bottles available**

Clos de la Folie is Florent Baumard's top red. Made only in the best vintages it comes from a particularly well situated walled vineyard south of Rochefort-sur-Loire. The Clos covers less than 1.5 hectares and is planted to Cabernet Franc and Cabernet Sauvignon vines with an average age of 35 years. After a gentle pressing and a long, relatively cool fermentation the wine is bottled without any time in barrel. *'A hint of cedar weaves around the core of lightly mulled plum and red currant fruit, with flecks of pepper and iron on the finish. Nice typicity.'* - James Molesworth, Wine Spectator.

SL47364 Baumard 'Logis de la Giraudiere' 2014, Anjou, France 12.5% 12.49

In the 1960s Jean Baumard, Florent's father, produced a red wine 'for his own consumption' with Cabernet Franc from an old walled vineyard. Finding there was rather more than the family could drink he started selling it to friends and other wine lovers. A light cherry in colour with attractive aromas of blackcurrant and crushed currant leaves. A soft, gluggable style with juicy redcurrant and cassis flavours, good freshness and gentle tannic grip. Lingering red fruit finish with subtle notes of herb. Florent considers this to be a great 'lunchtime red'. Drink now to 2017+.

SL44983 Baumard 'Logis de la Giraudiere' 2008, Anjou, France 12.5% 12.49**Only 1 case available**

'Good value for money. With an Anjou nose, fresh red fruit, floral notes and hints of pepper. The palate is fresh, deliciously crunchy, with weight, warmth and a pleasing chocolatey finish. 17/20' - Gault-Millau. Drink now to 2017.



Family-owned since 1634, Domaine des Baumard is one of the finest estates in the Loire, if not France as a whole. We have been championing Florent Baumard's wines for almost a decade now, and the quality and sheer brilliance of the wines continues to amaze us. Florent aims to pick at the same level of ripeness and vinify in exactly the same way each year without the use of oak, and yet each vintage is remarkably distinctive. This natural terroir-driven approach allows the hallmark of each vintage to shine through. He is a supporter of the screwcap and after much testing, has decided that this is the best option for all his long-lived wines, as it allows them to evolve and develop over time without the worry of cork issues.



Florent believes the wines are ready for release when they 'start to reflect their origin', so our new shipment has a range of Florent's wines from various vintages. The reputation of the estate means that the wines are reviewed by all the major wine critics and the consensus is that quality here has never been higher. Despite the small production and worldwide demand, prices remain very reasonable. So this is the perfect opportunity to try these wines for the first time or stock up if you are already a fan. **Enjoy free delivery on any order of twelve bottles containing at least six bottles of the Baumard wines featured. Please enter the code BAUMARDFREE at our online checkout, click 'check code' and receive free delivery!**

'a brilliant winemaker.... A young, handsome, ever-smiling sort, Baumard quietly fashions some of the world's most complex dry and sweet wines' - Pierre Rovani, Wine Advocate

SPARKLING WINES**SL43413 Baumard 'Carte Turquoise' Brut NV Crémant de Loire, France, 12.5% 14.49**

'Crisp, refreshing, vibrant and delicate, this Chenin Blanc-based sparkling wine, with touches of citrus and green apple, is worth going out of your way to try. Wine drinkers often forget that there are grapes beyond Pinot Noir and Chardonnay - two of the key varieties in Champagne - that can make great bubbles. Too many also overlook France's Loire Valley for great reds and whites. If you're curious to try something from the Loire Domaine des Baumard makes a slew of great wines and its name on a label is usually a good sign.' - James Laube, The Wine Spectator.

SL43687 Baumard 'Carte Corail' Rose Brut, Cremant de Loire NV, France, 12.5% 14.75

Florent Baumard is a real perfectionist and his delicious rosé Crémant is the result of painstaking work both in the vineyard and the winery. A very pale rosé sparkling Crémant de Loire from fragrant Cabernet Franc, (65%) Grolleau (25%) and Pinot Noir (10%), infusing delicate aromas of redcurrant, wild strawberry and currant leaf. A lively mousse with juicy summer fruit flavours and notes of cranberry on the finish. Young, vigorous, crisp and vibrant - a complex, dry palate with a hint of tannin on the finish. Though it will work well as an aperitif, this is one of those rare sparkling rosés that will go well with summer salads and fish dishes. Enjoy over the next two years.

WHITE WINE

SL44978 Baumard 'Clos St Yves' 2013, Savennières, France 13% 16.99

Clos St Yves is often overlooked in favour of the more renowned Clos du Papillon. There are just 200 yards between the vineyards and the standard of both in recent vintages has been uniformly high. Clos St Yves is approachable earlier and based purely on quality it is a comparative bargain. 'Pale

gold. Pure nose revealing inviting minerality and jammy white fruit perfumes. Savoury palate with superb substance and racy, expressive flavours as its main calling cards. Such deft craftsmanship creates a deliciously refined, long-lasting treat.' - 93pts, Gilbert & Gaillard. Drink now until 2023. Enjoy with white fish.

SL47366 Baumard Trie Speciale 2014, Savennières, France 13.5% 35.99**Only 1 case available**

The Trie Speciale is only produced in top vintages, from grapes picked during selective passes (Tries) in the vineyard, ensuring optimum ripeness. The grapes are harvested from the Clos St-Yves vineyard, and is one of the most intense and concentrated examples of Savennieres one can find. Scents of Bosc pear and honey, lead onto a graceful palate with a long line of schist acidity. Baumard's best Chenins develop beautifully for more than a decade and this one is well worth cellaring. Wine Enthusiast Magazine scored the 2014, 93pts. Pair with sweetbreads.

SL44977 Baumard 'Clos du Papillon' 2011, Savennières, France 14% 22.95

The 4 ha vineyard of Clos du Papillon is named due to its shape like a butterfly's wings. At harvest several passes are made through the 35 year old Chenin Blanc vines to select only the ripest, most healthy grapes. This helps make the best wine possible each year, but at this northerly extreme of still wine production weather conditions are crucial and Florent Baumard's natural winemaking means that every vintage is slightly different. James



Molesworth, Wine Spectator, commented: 'This has a succulent feel, with enticing green melon, pear, fig and quince fruit flavors laced with lime zest and honeysuckle notes. The finish is long and juicy. Should unwind nicely in the cellar. Drink now through 2020. 91 points'. Stephan Reinhardt, eRobertParker.com, added: '...rich, fruit intense and powerful, but also very elegant and mineral, perfectly balanced Chenin with everything in place to age superbly...92pts.' Enjoy with grilled fish.

SL44975 Baumard 'Clos du Papillon' 2010 Savennières, France 14% 22.95

A real vibrancy but with a mineral smoky note, it exudes all the aromatic richness and elegance of Chenin Blanc grown on a great terroir. Enjoy with prime veal cuts. Drink now to 2018. James Molesworth, Wine Spectator, noted in April 2013: 'Shows excellent cut from the start, with pear eau-de-vie and green almond notes guiding the salted butter, brioche, fig and green melon flavors. The mouthwatering acidity is deeply imbedded on the finish. 92pts.'

SL42823 Baumard 'Clos du Papillon' 2007, Savennières, France 13% 25.95

After a few years in the bottle the 2007 Clos du Papillon is quite stunning. We have managed to secure a few extra bottles before they all sold out. David Schildknecht, eRobertParker.com, noted in August 2010: 'The fascinating array of bitter and smoky elements promised in the nose is delivered without exaggeration accompanied by a wet stone undertone and persistently wetting bittersweet florally and without arresting the flow of fresh fruit in the finish. Hints of white pepper and toasted nuts add an additional element of piquancy...this beauty ought to be worth returning to over at least the next 6-8 years. 91 points'. We tasted the 2007, mid-2012 at the domaine, it was showing brilliantly! In a flight of the most recent 6 vintages (except the 2005) of Clos du Papillon, this stood out as the most impressive with great complexity and depth. Enjoy with charred vegetables such as aubergine.

SL42822 Baumard 'Clos du Papillon' 2004, Savennières, France 13% 22.95**Only 1 case available**

It would be fair to describe the 2004 as a slow burner! Now reaching maturity, it's drinking beautifully, with a lovely purity of stone fruit flavours, nuts and minerals. A classic rather than rich style, this wine will continue to evolve until 2020. The Wine Advocate wrote in 2007: '... smells alluringly and pungently of lemon, white pepper, flowers and herbs, with a distinctively appellation -typical note of oyster shell. Bracing and juicy and positively lifting, yet densely concentrated on the palate, it finishes with amazing intensity of salt, chalk and stone as well as infectious citricity. It should gain richness over the next 8-12 years. 91 points'. Enjoy with Boudin Blanc.

SWEET WINE—All half bottle size unless otherwise stated**SL44980 Baumard Quarts de Chaume 2010, France 13.5% (37.5cl) 26.95****SL47365 Baumard Quarts de Chaume 2010, France 13.5% (75cl) 49.95**

Quarts de Chaume is made only from a strict selection of nobly rotted Chenin Blanc grapes from his vineyard on the valley sides of the Layon River. Compared to France's other great dessert wines this is a comparative bargain. Drink now to 2030+. 'Unctuous, concentrated and refined, this holds a large core of quince, creamed Anjou pear and white ginger notes in reserve for now, while heather, chamomile, orange blossom and white peach flavors take the lead. When the reserves stretch out and catch up with the floral accents, this will be a pure, precise stunner, with a long life.' - 96pts James Molesworth, Wine Spectator. Enjoy with French apple tart.

SL42838 Baumard Quarts de Chaume 2009, France 13.5% (37.5cl) 26.95

Florent Baumard's 2009 offering of Quarts de Chaume is almost the equal of the legendary 2007. It is made only from a strict selection of nobly rotted Chenin Blanc grapes from his vineyard on the valley sides of the Layon River. Gault Millau scored it 19/20 and Bertrand Rougier in France Art de Vivre 98/100. 'Bold, lush and tropical in feel, with creamed papaya and mango notes seamlessly gliding together, while coconut, green plum, ginger, quince and white peach flavors fill in the background. Offers a succulent finish, but stays pure and steady thanks to perfectly embedded acidity. Best from 2015 through 2030. 96 points' - James Molesworth, Wine Spectator.