

PRODUCER QUESTIONS

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Who makes Cuvée Cathelin?

- Jean-Louis Chave
- (rouge): a barrel selection done just before bottling, produced only in top years (1990, 1991, 1995, 1998, 2000, 2003, 2009 and 2010 to date) and only if the quality of the regular cuvée is not compromised

Who makes La Mouline?

- E. Guigal
- 89% Syrah, 11% Viognier; sourced from a plot of the same name on the Côte Blonde, average vine age is 60 years

Who makes La Chapelle?

- Paul Jaboulet Aîné
- a barrel selection based around on *Le Méal*, with *Les Bessards*, *Les Greffieux* and *La Croix* usually key components

Who makes Clos d'Ambonnay?

- Krug
- Blanc de Noirs Brut Vintage
- 1995 for Clos d'Ambonnay

Who makes Cuvée Spéciale les Chetillons?

- Pierre Peters
- Blanc de Blancs Brut Vintage
- 1971 for Cuvée Spéciale

Who makes *Substance*?

- Jacques Selosse
- The Solera for *Substance* was started in 1987

Who made Champagne Charlie and what year was it discontinued?

- Charles Heidsieck
- Discontinued in 1985

Who makes Cuvée Louise

- Pommery
- Cuvée Louise, first vintage 1979

Who makes Monte Bello

- Ridge Vineyards

Who makes Insignia?

- Joseph Phelps
- Cabernet-dominant blend, a barrel selection of top estate vineyard wines

Who makes 'The Maiden'?

- Harlan Estate

In 2005 who made a wine called Pegasos?

- Case Basse (Soldara)
- Pegasos: de-classified Brunello; only made so far from 2005 vintage

Who makes Hommage à Jacques Perrin?

- Château de Beaucastel
- prestige cuvée, only produced in the best years; made from low-yielding vines

Who makes Cuvée Marie Beurrier?

- Henri Bonneau
- Considered an "old guard" producer, Henri Bonneau employs whole-cluster fermentation in concrete tanks, followed by aging in neutral barrels of various sizes.

Who makes Valbuena 5° and what does the 5 indicate?

- Vega Sicilia
- Primarily Tempranillo, with some Merlot and Cabernet Sauvignon. A younger wine released in every vintage, with grapes from 25- to 35-year-old vines. Fermented in stainless steel and aged for three years in oak followed by two in bottle.

Who makes ExcelsuS & SummuS?

- Castello Banfi
- ExcelsuS = 60% Merlot with 40% Cabernet Sauvignon, vinified and aged separately for 12 months in barriques; the wine is then blended and aged for another 8 months in barriques
- SummuS = 40% Sangiovese, 35% Cabernet Sauvignon and 25% Syrah, vinified and aged separately for 12 months in barriques; the wine is then blended, aged for another 8-10 months in barriques and a final six months in bottle

Who makes G-Max?

- Keller
- First vintage 2001
- The top wine of the estate is the G-Max, the most expensive dry Riesling produced in Germany. It comes from old vines from unspecified Grosse Lage site(s), which Keller keeps secret due to his past experience of having grapes stolen from the Hubacker vineyard.

Who make Kastanienbusch

- Ökonomierat Rebholz

Which producer owns the majority of the Roter Hang?

- Gunderloch

If I say make some, you say?

- Noise

Who makes Hill of Grace?

- Henschke
- First vintage 1958
- purchased in 1951; 20 acres (10 Shiraz); soil is alluvial sandy loam over clay; 10 acres planted to own-rooted Shiraz (some of the oldest vines planted in the 1860s), the remaining 10 acres are planted to Riesling, Semillon, and Mataro

Who makes Astralis?

- Clarendon Hills