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Charles Curtis MW is the Regional Chair for Burgundy and Champagne at the 2025 Decanter World Wine Awards (DWWA).

Charles Curtis MW is a veteran of more than 20 years in the wine trade and has held a variety of posts over this time. His professional career began as a chef, trained in Paris, after which he worked in restaurants around the world. In October 2004, Curtis became the 22nd Master of Wine in the United States and he has held the role of head of wine for Christie's in both the Americas and Asia. Curtis writes regularly for a number of magazines and his book, The Original Grand Crus of Burgundy, appeared in 2014.

Charles Curtis MW began judging at the Decanter World Wine Awards (DWWA) in 2014. Having served as the Regional Chair for Burgundy since 2023 and Acting Regional Chair for Champagne, he will officially expand his role as the Regional Chair for both Burgundy and Champagne at the DWWA 2025.





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Auxey-Duressses Les Closeaux - 2023

"An attractive wine with aromas of pomegranate and blackberry, earth and smoke notes and a hint of wild herbs. The tannins are firm and there's enough acidity to keep the wine lively on the palate."

100pt score: 93 Charles Curtis MW - Decanter

Corton-Charlemagne Grand Cru - 2023

"The inaugural release of the high-end wine from the new Domaine Pierre Vincent is nothing short of dazzling, with immense concentration and enormous depth of flavor. There are notes of ripe plums and quinces, mirabelle plums, a mineral note and a suggestion of acacia flowers. The texture is a perfect balance of density and finesse."

100pt score: 97





Meursault Les Grands Charrons - 2023

"The Meursault Grands Charrons from Pierre Vincent's new domaine is fabulously good, with a classic richness of ripe apples, butter and hazelnut, but there's complexity too, with a bit of smoky reduction and a firm mineral base."

100pt score: 94 Charles Cu

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Meursault Premier Cru Les Charmes - 2023

"The wine has a rich apricot and mirabelle plum aroma with hints of butter and spice; the texture is concentrated and dense - "very Charmes", I noted on the day."

100pt score : 95



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"I love the style of Pierre Vincent's Monthélie premier cru Les Duresses first vintage. There are aromas of pomegranate, black cherry and a touch of violet. The texture is bright and lively, with fresh acidity and firm tannins."

100pt score: 93 Charles Curtis MW - Decanter



Monthelie Les Sous-Roches - 2023

""Les Sous Roches offers richness and depth, with aromas of ripe pear, hazelnut and hawthorn blossom. The texture is rich without being decadent, with enough acidity to give the wine surprising elegance and length."

100pt score: 93







"This pretty village Puligny has classic aromas of lemon peel, gunflint and smoke; the texture is silky smooth, but supported by enough fresh acidity to keep the wine very lively."

100pt score: 94 Charles Curtis MW - Decanter



Puligny-Montrachet Premier Cru Les Referts - 2023

"The premier cru Puligny Les Referts from Pierre Vincent's new project is delicious, with pronounced aromas of passion fruit, pomelo and spice. The texture is dense but not heavy, and the persistence on the palate is impressive."

100pt score: 95







Savigny-les-Beaune Premier Cru Les Vergelesses - 2023

"The Savigny blanc premier cru Les Vergelesses from Pierre Vincent's new domaine demonstrates the potential of this climate for white grapes, with its evocative aromas of grapefruit and nectarine, enhanced by a suggestion of hawthorn flowers and saline mineral notes."

100pt score: 94 Charles

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Volnay **Ez Blanches** - 2023

"A Volnay de village very worthy of Domaine Pierre Vincent's inaugural vintage, with a beautiful density of black fruit and a fine, silky tannic structure."

100pt score: 92