



2016 Domaine de Pallus Chinon Les Pensées de Pallus

Rating	Release Price	Drink Date	Producer: Domaine de Pallus
92	\$25	2021 - 2035	From: France , Loire , Chinon
Reviewed by	Issue Date	Source	Color: Red
Stephan Reinhardt	5th Aug 2021	August 2021 Week 1, The Wine Advocate	Type: Table

The 2016 Chinon Les Pensées de Pallus is an impressive Cabernet that opens with an intense, very elegant and refined bouquet with minty notes and olive aromas spicing the noble, dark and elegant fruit. Silky, fresh and elegant on the palate, this is a full-bodied, smooth and charming yet also very concentrated, intense and structured Chinon with a juicy but also tight and tannic finish that might become a bit dry with age. Matured in Burgundian barrels for 12 months and another six months in béton cuves, this is a vital and stimulating effort from Bertrand and one of my favorites of this domain. Tasted in June 2021. "Due to spring frost, 2016 was a disaster in the valley, but in the coteaux, I was lucky to see my fruit surviving. To me, 2016 is like 1996, 2006 and 2012. The acidity and balance are formidable. I consider it a rather feminine vintage, very delicate and intelligent, and everything is built up on this beautiful acidity," says Bertrand Sourdais.

Sweetness: Dry

Type: Table

Variety: Cabernet Franc