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Domaine Samuel Billaud
Chablis Grand Cru “Les Clos” 2015
Burgundy, France

93+ Points

(just a single one-year-old Chassin 200-liter barrel produced; Billaud's vines are high on the hillside, near Blanchots and next to Faiveley's holding, in a zone where there's a lot of fan leaf virus; in fact, Faiveley has decided to hold back their tiny quantity of 2015 Clos for a future anniversary celebration): Bright yellow. Rather cool scents of ginger, cinnamon, white pepper and crushed rock. The palate displays a juicy, tight core of lemony citricity, with terrific energy and penetrating acidity. Very fresh, tight grand cru with nothing exotic about it; less fat and more salty than the Valmur. Finishes brisk and palate-staining. A baby today and built for extended aging. (ST)

