

APPENDIX 2

TASTING VOCABULARY

APPEARANCE

| limpidity | bright – limpid – hazy – cloudy – turbid | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| colour | liveliness/clarity | bright – clear – lively – fresh – neutral – flat – dull – faded | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | depth/intensity | watery/thin – light – weak – pale – true – medium – consistent – ample – rich – dense – heavy – deep – opaque | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | hue | <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Whites</th> <th>Rosé</th> <th>Red</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>colourless</td> <td>pale pink</td> <td>purple</td> </tr> <tr> <td>greenish</td> <td>peach flower</td> <td>cherry red</td> </tr> <tr> <td>lemon green</td> <td>salmon</td> <td>ruby</td> </tr> <tr> <td>lemon</td> <td>cherry pink</td> <td>garnet</td> </tr> <tr> <td>golden yellow</td> <td>light red</td> <td>orangey</td> </tr> <tr> <td>amber yellow</td> <td>onion skin</td> <td>brick red</td> </tr> <tr> <td>brown</td> <td>orange</td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> | Whites | Rosé | Red | colourless | pale pink | purple | greenish | peach flower | cherry red | lemon green | salmon | ruby | lemon | cherry pink | garnet | golden yellow | light red | orangey | amber yellow | onion skin | brick red | brown | orange | |
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| amber yellow | onion skin | brick red | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| brown | orange | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| fluidity | very fluid – easy flowing – thick – dense – oily – viscous legs: more or less thick/dense – descending more or less quickly | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| effervescence (presence of CO ₂) | still wine | no effervescence | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | sparkling wine | persistence of froth | weak – medium – persistent | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | size of bubbles | very small – small – medium – large – very large | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | quantity of bubbles | Very numerous – numerous – sufficient – few – very few | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | speed of bubbles' rise | slow – weak – medium – fast | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | persistence of perlage | very persistent – persistent – quite persistent – not very persistent – vanishing | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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| First impression | Pleasant – ordinary – unpleasant | | |
| quality | condition | well-defined – clean – pure – unclean – disharmonic – faulty (lees, corked, faded, oxidized, dusty..) | |
| | finesse | Very fine – elegant – distinguished – fine – harmonious – ordinary – common – coarse | |
| | personality | elegant – racy/classy – lively | |
| | complexity | complex – rich – ample – simple – monotonous | |
| intensity | Powerful – deep – very intense – intense – quite intense – light – faint – broad/closed | | |
| persistence | very persistent – persistent – rather persistent – short-lived | | |
| development | youthful – developing – fully developed – tired/passed its best – deliberate oxidation | | |
| description | general impressions | pleasant odours | floral – fruity – dried fruit – vegetal – spicy – balsamic – ethereal – toasty – animal – woody – other foods (honey, butter, bread crust ...) |
| | neutral fresh fragrant winey aromatic ethereal young mature evolved | unpleasant odours | cork – mould – lees – vanished – reduced – oxidised – maderized – pungent – high volatile acidity – putrid – sulphur – garlic-like – mercaptans |

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| general structure | residual sugar | dry – off-dry – medium dry – dry – medium sweet – sweet – luscious |
| | alcohol | weak – light – sufficient – warm – generous – heady – hot – powerful |
| | suppleness (alcohol & glycerine) | round – soft – unctuous – velvety – smooth – rough – dried out |
| | acidity excessive balanced insufficient | acid – green – tart – nervy – acidulous – aggressive fresh – lively – supple – smooth flat – flabby – without backbone |
| | astringency/ tannins | rich – balanced – soft – well-integrated – polished – insufficient – astringent – bitter – hard – severe – austere |
| | body/structure | lean – thin – light – medium-bodied – full bodied/structured – solid – robust – fleshy – heavy |
| harmony | harmonic – well-balanced – balanced – slightly unbalanced – disharmonic | |
| flavour on the palate | intensity | intense – quite intense – subtle – weak/faint |
| | quality | very fine – elegant – pleasant – common – coarse |
| finish (aftertaste) | straightforward – pleasant – unpleasant | |
| aromatic persistence | very persistent – persistent – medium – short | |
| State of evolution | young – youthful – immature – ready – mature – declining – beyond its peak – decrepit | |

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