



2011 DOMAINE DU VISSOUX PIERRE-MARIE CHERMETTE BEAUJOLAIS CUVÉE VIEILLES VIGNES

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Many of you know that I am not a fan of Beaujolais Nouveau. I just don't like the idea of drinking what seems like unfinished wine, and the majority of the stuff seems like raspberry Kool-Aid with alcohol added.

I remember drinking a lot of the stuff in the 1980s while living in Paris and having the worse hangover afterwards.

It felt like I had consumed some sort of synthetic liquid. I

have pretty much stayed away from it ever since. But I like the festive idea of ~~the~~ Beaujolais nouveau est arrivé!+ (The new Beaujolais has arrived!).

However, last night one of my best friends insisted that I drink his Beaujolais Nouveau. Tim Johnston, the owner of Juveniles Wine Bar, is not a bullshitter and he has one of the most discerning palates in the business.

He twisted my arm.

~~Come on,~~+he said with plates of foie gras, rabbit terrine, and haggis in front us on a small table in his wine bar.

(Yes, Haggis. Tim is a Scotsman.) He poured me the [2011 Domaine du Vissoux Pierre-Marie Chermette Beaujolais Cuvée Vieilles Vignes](#). I was surprised, to say the least, by the quality. It was such a balanced and delicious red with sweet dark berries and strawberry character. It was medium body, with bright acidity and a clean, fruity finish. 90 points.

~~See mate,~~+Tim said. ~~I~~ told you so.+The wine is made from organic grapes as well.

And it was even delicious with the haggis!