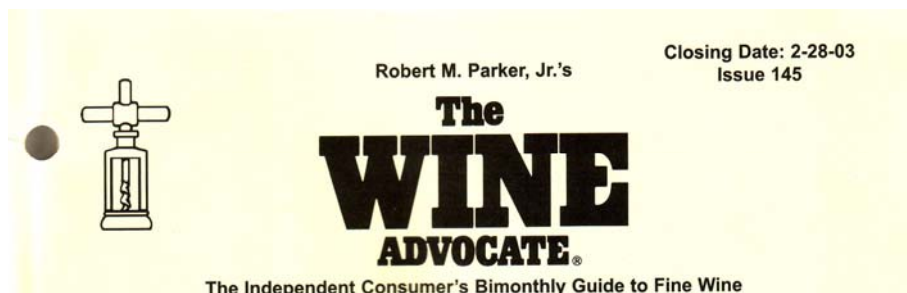


## Accolades from Robert Parker for Domaine Paul Autard



DOMAINE PAUL AUTARD	2001	CHATEAUNEUF DU PAPE	(\$30.00-35.00)	RED	(89-90+)
DOMAINE PAUL AUTARD	2000	CHATEAUNEUF DU PAPE	(\$28.00)	RED	88
DOMAINE PAUL AUTARD	2001	CHATEAUNEUF DU PAPE LA COTE RONDE	(\$50.00-55.00)	RED	(91-94)
DOMAINE PAUL AUTARD	2000	CHATEAUNEUF DU PAPE LA COTE RONDE	(\$50.00)	RED	91

Autard's 2000s possess significantly lighter colors than his 2001s, but undeniably seductive personalities. The **2000 Châteauneuf du Pape** exhibits a medium plum/ruby color as well as a sweet bouquet of currants, figs, underbrush, spice, wood smoke, and *garrigue*. Ripe, round, and delicious, with low acidity and sweet fruit, it is a charming effort with Burgundian-like texture as well as flesh. Enjoy it over the next 7-8 years. The **2000 Châteauneuf du Pape La Côte Ronde** reveals aromas of mincemeat, plums, allspice, cherries, and vanilla. Medium to full-bodied, lush and fleshy, with low acidity, outstanding depth, and no hard edges, this sexy Châteauneuf will drink well for 10-12 years.

Like most 2001 Châteauneuf du Papes, Autard's offerings are deeper in color, less charming, but denser and fuller-bodied with more

concentration (from lower yields). The dark ruby/purple-colored **2001 Châteauneuf du Pape** offers up a sweet perfume of black fruits intermixed with kirsch, plums, wood smoke, earth, and a touch of vanilla. It is a vibrant wine with good acidity, moderate tannin, a sweet mid-palate, and more structure than the 2000. Anticipated maturity: 2003-2013. The **2001 Châteauneuf du Pape La Côte Ronde** reveals a trace of new oak in the nose along with aromas of melted licorice, black cherries, currants, pepper, and sweet cassis. Dense, chewy, and well-defined, with a big structure and a thick, saturated purple color, it looks to be potentially the longest-lived and biggest La Côte Ronde since the 1998. Anticipated maturity: 2005-2015. Represented by Russell Herman, Berkeley Heights, NJ; tel. (908) 771-9082, various American importers.