

Cave de Prestige 2026: 188 wines, 140 producers, one unmistakable Bourgogne!

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The 55th edition of the Bourgogne Wine Board's Cave de Prestige honoured 140 wine estates, négociants and Coop cellars at its annual awards ceremony on 15 July.

This highly selective collection showcases wines that embody the exacting standards, diversity and expertise of Bourgogne's winegrowers and producers. For the next 12 months, they will feature prominently in the Bourgogne Wine Board's promotional, educational and outreach activities, both in France and around the world.

The 2026 Line-Up: 188 Ways to Express Bourgogne

The Cave de Prestige awards ceremony is a much-anticipated date in the Bourgogne wine calendar. It marks a defining moment: the point at which the selected cuvées officially become ambassadors for Bourgogne wines for the year ahead.

From Wine Paris and influencer partnerships to webinars for key wine professionals, international training seminars and press events, the wines will take centre stage in a truly global showcase.



More than 120 wine professionals gathered at the Cité des Climats et vins de Bourgogne in Beaune on Wednesday to celebrate the 55th edition of the Cave de Prestige.

A total of 188 wines were selected from 1,491 entries, representing a particularly stringent selection rate of just 12.6%.

The 2026 collection features 140 producers out of the 340 that entered. This year's results also highlight the vitality and constant renewal of the Bourgogne wine region: 33 producers are either appearing in the selection for the first time or returning after an absence dating back to 2017. Together, they account for 23.5% of this year's award winners.

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A Rigorous Selection Process Supporting the Profile of Bourgogne's AOCs



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The selection is based on blind tastings conducted by expert panels comprising technical specialists, oenologists and wine industry professionals.

To qualify, a wine must achieve a minimum score of 16 out of 20 during the first tasting. It is then submitted to a “super jury”, which determines whether it merits a place in the Cave de Prestige. Only wines judged to be truly exceptional are selected.

In 2026, six tasting sessions were held, involving a total of 200 judges. The 2023 vintage is once again the most widely represented, with 101 wines accounting for 53.7% of the selection—a result partly explained by the volumes produced that year.

The much rarer 2024 vintage ranks second, with 58 wines, or 30.8% of the collection.

One wine from the 2025 vintage also made the final selection. As the tastings take place in March, wines from this vintage had only exceptionally been bottled by that point.

The Many Faces of Bourgogne, from the Mâconnais to the Châtillonnais

The 57 wines from Régionale appellations demonstrate the diversity offered by this essential gateway into the world of Bourgogne wines:

- 28 Bourgogne and Mâcon plus a geographical denomination
- 20 Crémant de Bourgogne
- 9 Bourgogne, Bourgogne Aligoté or Coteaux Bourguignons wines

It is worth remembering that this category represents 30% of the total production of Bourgogne wines.

The geographical distribution of the award-winning producers reflects the collection's strong regional roots:

- 15 producers from the Mâconnais
- 25 from the Côte Chalonnaise and Côtes du Couchois
- 55 from the Côte de Beaune and 16 from the Côte de Nuits
- 12 from Chablis, and 14 from the Grand Auxerrois
- 3 from the Châtillonnais



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Cave de Prestige wines by appellation level

AOC Level	Number of Wines	Percentage
Régionale AOCs	57	30,2 %
Village AOCs	75	40 %
Village Premier Cru AOCs	8	25,5 %
Grand Cru AOCs	8	4,3 %



Laurent Delaunay, Co-President of the Bourgogne Wine Board, said:

“The Cave de Prestige is far more than a selection of wines: it reflects the collective commitment of Bourgogne’s winegrowers, cooperative wineries and négociants. For the next 12 months, these 188 wines will convey the image of a Bourgogne defined by high standards, diversity and a spirit of sharing. Congratulations to every award winner, whose work helps raise the profile of our appellations in France and across the world.”

Michel Barraud, Co-President of the Bourgogne Wine Board, added:

“The role of the Bourgogne Wine Board is to champion the voice of every terroir across Bourgogne—the whole of Bourgogne—at a time when some, most recently the Michelin Guide, may be tempted to reduce the region to only a handful of its component parts. We are proud of this diversity and richness, and proud to represent, from north to south, a Bourgogne for everyone.”

Cave de Prestige 2026: Key Figures

- 55th edition
- 188 wines selected, representing a success rate of 12.6%
- 1,491 wines entered by 340 producers
- 140 producers recognised, including 33 first-time or returning award winners, representing 23.5% of the selection
- 6 tasting sessions involving 200 judges
- Most widely represented vintage: 2023, with 101 wines
- Oldest vintage: 2017
- Most recent vintage: 2025, with one wine selected

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