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DOMAINE BELLEVILLE

« This 20 ha (49 acre) domaine based in Rully produces only single parcel cuvée, no blend. All aged in 25% new oak, biodynamic in conversion. »



Domaine Belleville scores the top 4 scores across all Rully tasted – 3 white and one red – no other domaine scores 17 points for a Rully. In Mercurey, only 2 other domaines score 17 points (one got a 17+) in a total of 6 wines, 3 of which were Belleville. In Santenay, Domaine Belleville is the highest score of any Santenay.





17+

**Domaine Belleville - Les Boudrières 2017
Puligny-Montrachet**

Mealy, chewy, dairy-flavoured palate. Doesn't seem necessarily better than their Rullys, but perhaps the extra burst of acid will help it evolve over the longer term.



17+

Domaine Belleville - Les Hâtes 2017 Santenay
Cinnamon and clove on the nose, delicious raspberry-cordial fruit on the palate and a flash of green, stemmy character adding interest. The most interesting red among their domaine cuvées, for me.



17+

**Domaine Belleville - Chapitre Premier Cru
2017 Rully**

Lovely sweet spices on the nose with a mealy character on the palate and lovely oaty length. Touches of smoke and toast too. Sophisticated and flavoursome, with great persistence.



17+

**Domaine Belleville - La Pucelle Premier Cru
2017 Rully**

Cereal, cream, cooked stone fruit with a few apple skins in there to give pith. Chewy, tangy, lengthy and wonderfully savoury.



17

**Domaine Belleville - Chapitre Premier Cru
2017 Rully**

Leather and medicinal hints on the palate with crisp acidity and fine tannins giving refreshing, digestible structure. Lovely purity and pleasure for drinking now.



17

**Domaine Belleville - Rabourcé Premier Cru
2017 Rully**

Sweetly fruited nose and palate, with a more savoury and compact style and dry, gloopy structure. Either not quite enough acid or a little too much glycerol gives this a thickness on the finish



17

**Domaine Belleville - Champs Rouin
2017 Mercurey**

Delicious combination of nuttiness and iodine aromas on the nose and palate – distinctive and flavoursome with long, pure fruit on the length. These days, it's GV for the price, though only just!



17

Domaine Belleville - Les Perrières 2017 Mercurey

Spicy oak integrates well with cranberry fruit on the palate. Gentle tannins, bright acidity, attractive mushroomy notes just emerging on the finish.



17

Domaine Belleville - 2017 Mercurey

Cooked stone fruit, like tinned peaches, with loads of creamy oak and mealy character on the palate too. Nicely fleshy. Lingering oak spice.



16.5+

**Domaine Belleville - Clos l'Evêque Premier Cru
2017 Mercurey**

More muscular and less expressive than their other cuvées, but is accordingly powerful on the finish. Quite warm in alcohol but the rich, dark fruit holds up to it.



16

Domaine Belleville - La Créé 2017 Rully

Buttery nose with nice zesty lemon fruit and something a little oxidative on the finish.



16

**Domaine Belleville - La Chaponnière
2017 Rully**

Lovely rich fruit with raspberry cordial notes and a touch of herby complexity. Lovely daintiness, with pure fruit in a simple, quaffable style.