

# Domaine Cherrier et Fils

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## [2008 Domaine Cherrier et Fils Sancerre](#)

Pale yellow. Aromas of pear skin, lanolin, honey and wet rock, plus a hint of orange zest. Juicy, spicy and nicely focused, offering open-knit citrus and orchard fruit flavors. Finishes with tart citrus and floral flavors and good length. (Vineyard Brands, Birmingham AL)

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# Patient Cottat

## [2007 Patient Cottat Sauvignon Blanc Vin de Pays du Val de Loire](#)

Light yellow. Lemon rind, musky herbs and anise on the nose. Fleshy in texture but a bit dry, with bitter citrus flavors complicated by tarragon and saline notes. Juicier on the finish, which repeats the herbal note.

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## [2007 Patient Cottat Sancerre Vieilles Vignes](#)

Pale yellow-gold. Spicy, mineral-driven aromas of lime zest and lemongrass, with a sneaky note of honeysuckle gaining strength with air. Taut, mineral-laced citrus and pear flavors pick up a weightier, faintly honeyed quality in the middle and show a suave floral quality. Very complex now but this should be even better in another year or two. The finish is focused, brisk and very long. (Vineyard Brands, Birmingham AL)

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# Domaine Vincent et Jean-Yves Delaporte

Also recommended: 2008 Sancerre (86). (Vineyard Brands, Birmingham AL)

**2008 Domaine Vincent et Jean-Yves Delaporte Sancerre Cuvee Maxime Vieilles Vignes**

Light, bright yellow. Pungent citrus pith and orchard fruits on the nose, with complicating spice and floral qualities and a hint of green tea. Stains the palate with sappy Meyer lemon and candied pear flavors, with an exotic floral quality gaining strength with air. Juicy and impressively precise Sancerre with penetrating minerality and lingering floral notes.

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**2007 Domaine Vincent et Jean-Yves Delaporte Sancerre Cuvee Maxime Vieilles Vignes**

Bright yellow-gold. Pure, deeply pitched aromas of honeyed pear, ginger, smoky minerals and spicecake. Chewy and deep, showing broad orchard fruit and citrus pith flavors and dusty mineral extract. Impressively penetrating on the finish, which echoes the pear and spice notes.

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## **Domaine Denis Gaudry**

**2008 Domaine Denis Gaudry Pouilly Fume**

Bright green-gold color. Aromas of white peach, pear and lemon thyme, complicated by smoky minerals and anise. Pear and apple flavors are perked up by peppery spices, showing good depth but some hardness. Finishes with firm, mineral-driven persistence. (Vineyard Brands, Birmingham AL)

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