

THE WINE AND FOOD SOCIETY OF MIAMI

Twenty-Fourth Dinner

Kings Bay Yacht Club

August 17, 1966

Les Vins

Le Diner

Eltviller Sonnenberg 1959
Langwerth v. Simmern

Canapes Oskar Davidsen

Consommé Danoise

Meursault Gouette d'Or 1961
Bernard Coron

Paupiette de Saumon Ambassadeurs

Granité au Kümmel

Vosne-Romanee Les Suchots 1962
Jos. Drouhin

Filet de Veau à la Oskar

Pommes Anna

Salade de Laitue Maison

Clos de La Roche 1962
Jos. Drouhin

Fromages du Danemark

Crema Danica Tybo

Esrom Danablu

Chateau Coutet 1959
Barsac

Petit Soufflé Grand Marnier

Café

Chef: Erik Kristensen
Catering Manager: William McKinney
Managing Director: Bernard H. Cooley

Kransekage

WINE NOTES

Eltviller Sonnenberg, Langwerth von Simmern 1959

Among the major wine producing areas of the Rheingau those around Eltville are consistently sound and good. Sonnenberg is among the best vineyards and this wine is from the famed year 1959. Being a "big" wine from a great vintage we would expect this one to be still quite sound and about at its peak now that it is 7 years old. It is mellow, not too dry, quite fruity, and has a characteristic bouquet derived from the Riesling grape.

Meursault, Goutte d'Or, Bernard Coron 1961

Interesting to compare with the preceding wine this Meursault is also from another great vintage year-1961, which was generally much better in France than Germany. The greatest white Burgundies come from the Cote de Beaune around the villages of Puligny-Montrachet and Meursault. Not the greatest of these vineyards, Goutte d'Or nevertheless produces wines of high quality and real distinction on its fourteen acres. Full bodied, not austere dry and well balanced the green-gold wines of Meursault fully merit their fame.

Vosne-Romanee, Les Suchots, J. Drouhin, '62

This is a poor relation of that aristocrat of all red Burgundies -- Romanee-Conti. Like all poor relations, there is the family resemblance but a lack in body -- avoirdupois. However, wines such as these are often the best buys among Burgundies. They are good wines selling for one-fifth the cost of their 'bloated' grand sires.

Clos de la Roche, J. Drouhin, '62

This is a little-known vineyard from a little-known area of the Cote de Nuits, Morey-St.-Denis. The number one wine of the area is Clos de Tart, but this wine is so close in quality that it is truly one of the great bargain wines of France. Morey-St.-Denis wines are highly aromatic without being as feminine as most of those of its neighbor Chambolle-Musigny. Neither are they as strong as the Chambertins to the north. This year 1962 has been a 'sleeper vintage' in more than one wine district of France, particularly coming after that generally great year 1961. The 1962's, however, are generally softer than the greater years and are maturing much earlier. Also, the individual differences among the '62 wines are not as pronounced as in great years.

Chateau Coutet, Barsac, 1959

This wine is ranked as a first growth in the Sauternes district but prefers and uses the name Barsac to identify itself, as does Chateau Climens, its only close rival. Chateau Coutet is the prototype of classic Barsac being rich and fruity and not overly sweet or cloying. It is notable for its fine bouquet, distinction and breed which is well brought out in this outstanding 1959 vintage.