

Bila Haut is in the press again!
 2009 Les Vignes de Bila Haut Cotes du Roussillon gets BEST VALUE!

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Dining & Wine

Roussillon, Into the Sunlight

Tasting Report

The wine panel tasted 20 dry reds from the Roussillon region.

1. DOMAINE MADELOC COLLIOURE
2. CLOS DEL REY CÔTES DU ROUSSILLON
3. M. CHAPOUTIER CÔTES DU ROUSSILLON

Villages Les Vignes de Bila-Haut 2009 ** ½

\$12

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Tony Cenicola/The New York Times

By ERIC ASIMOV

Price may be a problem for the region. Producers say the hard work necessary to improve quality is costly, but how many are willing to pay \$85 for a Roussillon? Our best value was a \$12 bottle, the 2009 Les Vignes de Bila-Haut from Chapoutier, an excellent deal for an inviting wine.



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6. DOMAINE CAZES CÔTES CATALANES VDP
7. DOMAINE DE L'EDRE CÔTES DU ROUSSILLON
8. DOMAINE DES SOULANES CÔTES

Tasting Report

Domaine Madeloc Collioure, \$26, ***

Cuvée Serral 2006

Juicy, spicy fruit flavors tempered by aromas of tobacco and licorice. (Langdon-Shiverick, Los Angeles)

Clos del Rey Cotes du Roussillon, \$60, ** ½

Villages 2006

Lush, fruity, herbal, mineral flavors; you can smell the sunshine. (Massanois Imports, Washington)

BEST VALUE

M. Chapoutier Cotes du Roussillon, \$12, ** ½

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