

2012 Domaine du Tariquet VdP des Côtes de Gascogne Sauvignon

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Much more grassy and herbal, with plenty of pear, citrus, and minerality coming through with air, the 2012 Côtes de Gascogne Sauvignon has the same purity and freshness on the palate as the Classic blend, yet has a touch more focus and verve (it won't be as crowd pleasing however and has a wine geek edge). Nevertheless, it too is a delicious, beautifully refreshing white to drink over the coming year or so. (89 pts.)-Jeb Dunnuck

2012 Domaine du Tariquet VdP des Côtes de Gascogne Classic

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A delicious, zingy white that's a blend of 45% Ugni Blanc, 35% Colombard, 10% Sauvignon, and 10% Gros Manseng, the 2012 Gascogne Classic exhibits a light yellow color to go with exotic, perfumed aromas of melon, wild herbs, citrus, and lychee on the nose. Medium-bodied, fresh, and lively, with ripe fruit, it's a perfect white for a starter to a meal or to serve alone on a hot summer day. Serve it chilled over the coming year. (88 pts.)-Jeb Dunnuck

2011 Domaine du Tariquet VdP des Côtes de Gascogne Chardonnay

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A light, refreshing, and well-made white that will perfect for a hot summer day, the 2011 Domaine du Tariquet Chardonnay (100% Chardonnay) sports a vibrant, light gold color along with lively aromatics of fresh peaches, mineral water, and grassy herbs on the nose. Medium-bodied, pure, and fresh, with racy acidity, solid texture, and a clean finish, it should be consumed over the coming year or two. (88 pts.)-Jeb Dunnuck