



## **Château Ollieux-Romanis**

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### **2014 Chateau Ollieux-Romanis Corbieres Blanc “Cuvée Prestige”**

The 2014 Corbieres Blanc Cuvee Prestige blend of 55% Roussanne, 40% Marsanne and 5% Grenache Blanc reminds me of a Hermitage Blanc with its mineral, caramelized citrus, brioche and apple-scented profile. The oak is a touch heavy on the palate, but this has density and depth, as well as fabulous textural richness, a big mid-palate and a great finish. It should drink nicely for 2-4 years. (91 points)

### **2013 Chateau Ollieux-Romanis Corbieres Boutenac “Atal Sia”**

The 2013 Corbieres Boutenac Atal Sia shows the cooler, fresher style of the vintage in its peppery, herb, earth and darker fruit-driven bouquet. Medium to full-bodied, with excellent purity of fruit and good acidity, it's an outstanding, classy red that will drink nicely for 7-8 years. The blend is 45% Carignan, 30% Grenache, 20% Mourvèdre and 5% Syrah, all of which was brought up all in tank. (90 points)

### **2014 Chateau Ollieux-Romanis Corbieres Boutenac “Cuvée Or”**

Hands down the greatest wine I've tasted from this estate, the 2014 Corbieres Boutenac Cuvee Or is 44% Carignan, 23% Grenache, 23% Mourvèdre and 10% Syrah that spent 12-13 months in 70% new French oak. Loaded with full-bodied, concentrated aromas and flavors of black fruits, tobacco, wood smoke, pepper

and coffee bean, it has vibrant acidity, ripe tannin, tons of texture and a blockbuster finish. The oak shows here, so if you're oak adverse, give it a year or two in bottle. It should drink nicely for another 10-12 years, possibly longer. (94 points)

### **2014 Chateau Ollieux-Romanis Corbieres Boutenac "Prestige"**

Another terrific wine is the 2014 Corbieres Boutenac Prestige, which checks in as a blend of 40% Carignan, 25% Grenache, 25% Mourvèdre and 10% Syrah that was raised 12 months in one- to two-year-old barrels. Cassis, red currants, crushed flowers and hints of licorice all give way to a pure, elegant, layered Boutenac that has ripe tannin, no hard edges and a great finish. Like the Cuvee Or release, this is another level for this estate. (92 points)

### **2015 Chateau Ollieux-Romanis Corbieres Rouge "Cuvée Classique"**

The inky colored 2015 Corbieres Rouge Cuvee Classique should be a great value, and offers lots up upfront fruit and spice in a medium to full-bodied, ripe, sexy package. Made from 40% Carignan, 30% Grenache and 30% Syrah that was brought up in stainless steel and concrete tanks, it should be ideal for drinking on release and over the following handful of years. (88-90 points)

