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Rhône / Côtes du Rhône-Villages

90 **Domaine de Deurre Côtes du Rhône-Villages Vinsobres Cuvée Jean-Marie Valayer 2003 \$27** Shows the roasted edge of the vintage, but has good flesh and purity, with dark plum sauce, fig bread, Turkish coffee and bittersweet ganache notes riding through the rather polished finish. Grenache, Syrah, and Mourvèdre. Drink now through 2010.—J.M.

90 **Domaine Pélaquié Côtes du Rhône-Villages Laudun 2005 \$15** Round and still a bit compact, with a core of fig and currant fruit wrapped in layers of

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Rhône / Other Red

89 **Domaine de Deurre Vinsobres 2005 \$22** Enticing, with warm fig bread and raspberry ganache aromas followed by a bright, racy palate of red currant, licorice and spice notes. There's a nice underlying briar hint on the finish. Grenache, Syrah, and Mourvèdre. Drink now through 2009.—J.M.