1981 - Domaine Puig-Parahy Rancio

Rating : 95

Tasting :

Notes of creme caramel, citrus oils, and ethereal yet pungent smoke and distilled pit fruit suggestions in the nose of Puig’s 1981 Rancio usher us into the realm of the truly nobly oxidation. Creamy, caramelized richness and piquant nuttiness on the palate offer poised counterpoint; for all of the oxidation on exhibit there is still an element of fresh fruit lusciousness; and the onrushing finish incorporates date, candied orange zest, toasted walnut, and caramel, offering an almost weightless impression.

-David Schildknecht (The Wine advocate, June 2009)