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**Samuel Billaud**

**Chablis 1er Cru “Montée de Tonnerre”, 2014**

**Burgundy, France**

**92 Points**

Pale yellow. Reticent aromas of stone, quinine and lime, plus a whiff of brown spices. Wonderfully concentrated, thick wine with a texture of liquid stone. Quite full for Chablis premier cru but utterly seamless and classically dry. This impeccably balanced wine boasts thick, rising finishing flavors of crushed citrus peel and wet stone, plus an exhilarating suggestion of bitter minerality. And yet there's a captivating element of sweetness as well. Billaud believes that this bone-dry wine will be at its best in ten years. (AG)