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THIS WEEK'S *WINE SPECTATOR INSIDER* FEATURES five classic-rated California reds as well as top bottlings from Beaujolais and the Rhône Valley in France. James Laube kicks it off with Central Coast red wines, including bottlings from Saxum Vineyards, the producer behind *Wine Spectator's* 2010 Wine of the Year. In fact, Saxum sweeps the Hot Wines—all five bottlings can be found on page 4.

James Molesworth covers the Southern Rhône appellations of Gigondas, Vacqueyras and Côtes du Rhône-Villages in this edition, while Alison Napjus focuses on Beaujolais' exceptional 2009 vintage, highlighting crus from producers such as Georges Duboeuf and Jean-Paul Brun.



France Beaujolais

HENRY FESSY

Fleurie 2009

90 points | \$18 | 1,200 cases imported | Red

Attractive boysenberry, black cherry and cassis flavors mix with light licorice and vanilla notes. A tangy minerality drives this light-to medium-bodied red and lingers on the herb-tinged finish. Drink now through 2014.—A.N.