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The ‘Other’ Hospices Auction: Hospices de Nuits-Saint-Georges

> *Overshadowed for decades by its famous counterpart in Beaune, the ‘other’ Hospices de Nuits-Saint-Georges Wine Auction is steadily emerging as one of Burgundy’s most compelling wine events, writes Raymond Blake Mention the ‘Hospices Auction’ to …*

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For the second year it was run by iDealwine, something of a new kid on the auction block. Where other auction houses that regularly handle wine sales and the disposal of private cellars – one thinks of Sotheby’s and Christie’s – may trace their origins back across the centuries, iDealwine is a child of the 21st century, having been founded in 2000. Since then, with offices in Paris, Beaune and Bordeaux, as well as overseas, it has established itself as a leader in online sales. Perhaps of greater interest to wine lovers is its annual ‘Barometer’ publication, a hefty tome of some 200 pages of wine market analysis. In essence, it is a distillation of data from tens of thousands of auction results and it warrants, and rewards, careful perusal, as this writer is happy to attest.