

CHAMPAGNE CHARLES HEIDSIECK

CHARLES HEIDSIECK BLANC DES MILLÉNAIRES 1995

PRODUCER

Charles Heidsieck is one of the most admired Champagne houses thanks to the unrivalled and consistently high quality of its wines. The current range is one of the most awarded collections of wines in the world. The intricacies of the champagnes' complex make-up have been perfected over the years by one of the most celebrated winemaking teams in Champagne – between three winemakers they have been awarded 'Sparkling Winemaker of the Year' at the International Wine Challenge fifteen times. This winemaking legacy, paired with the house's flamboyant history since its foundation in 1851 by the man who would become known as 'Champagne Charlie', makes it a unique offering from Champagne: a house with great, hand-crafted wines, heritage and proven quality.

VINEYARDS

The 1995 Blanc des Millénaires is a blend of Chardonnay from five crus: Cramant for complexity and ageability, Avize for verve and minerality, Oger for creaminess and weight, Mesnil-sur-Oger for balance and Vertus for floral freshness.

VINTAGE INFORMATION

1995 was a fresh and balanced vintage, producing wines of excellent ageing potential. Generally good conditions throughout summer and autumn meant grapes were harvested in prime condition. It was the first universally declared vintage since 1990.

VINIFICATION

After fermentation, the wine is racked to separate the lees and then undergoes malolactic fermentation to soften the natural acidity. After blending the different crus, the wine is bottled and selected yeast added for the second fermentation. The bottles are placed in the cellar at a temperature of 10°C, and aged for at least 15 years before release.

TASTING NOTES

Exceptional. This displays all the noble characteristics of mature Chardonnay and its incredible potential for ageing. Pale gold colour with pale green hues. The bouquet is balanced with a richness and distinct pastry aromas expressing full buttery notes, intense cinnamon and vanilla spice. Silky notes of candied apricots, quince and dried fruits, hazelnuts and almonds.

AWARDS

CRITICS CHOICE MEDAL - Sommelier Wine Awards 2014

TROPHY - Decanter World Wine Awards 2014

GOLD OUTSTANDING - IWSC 2013



VINTAGE INFORMATION

Vintage	1995
Grape varieties	100% Chardonnay
Region	Champagne , France
Winemaker	Thierry Roset
Closure	Natural Cork
Classification	AOC
Alcohol (ABV)	12%
Acidity	6.88g/l
Residual Sugar	12.2g/l