



CHAMPAGNE JACQUESSON

CUVÉE 743

Vintage	NV (Based primarily on 2015 vintage)
Code	180350
Country	France
Region	Champagne
Appellation	Champagne
Grape	Chardonnay Pinot Noir
Alcohol	12.5%
Closure	Cork
Producer	Founded in 1798 and still pushing boundaries today, Jacquesson is one of the oldest and yet most innovative houses in Champagne. It is owned and run by brothers Jean-Hervé and Laurent Chiquet, who in the early 2000s pioneered the idea of a numbered non-vintage cuvée, freeing themselves from the constraint of consistency, and permitting instead the pursuit of excellence above all else. Around eighty percent of the house's needs are supplied by its own vineyards, and the whole approach is much closer to that of the conscientious grower than the large négociant, accounting for wines of spectacular vinosity, complexity and finesse.
Vineyard	The grapes come from chalk-rich vineyards in Aÿ, a Grand Cru, and Dizy and Hautvillers both Premiers Crus in the Marne (60%) as well as from two Grand Crus in the Côte des Blancs, Avize and Oiry (40%). Traditional growing techniques are employed with little or no soil enrichment whilst most treatments are organic. Harvest was carried out by hand between the 10th and 30th of September.
Winery	Following a gentle pressing in a traditional vertical basket press, the juice was left to settle naturally. Fermentation was carried out in old oak casks with weekly bâtonnage. After a lengthy fermentation, the wine was bottled unfiltered and unfiltered to undergo secondary fermentation before being disgorged in August 2019 without dosage.
Taste	Aromas of fresh bread, ripe apples and white flowers give way to an ample, almost creamy palate offering flavours of apricots, spices and toasted hazelnuts, carried perfectly by the luxurious mousse and fine, lingering finish.
Press	"Medium to full-bodied, pillowy and precise, it's elegantly fleshy, with an enveloping core of fruit, a pinpoint mousse and a nicely defined, saline finish." – 91 points, <i>The Wine Advocate</i> , September 2020