# LAURENT - PERRIER GRAND SIÈCLE MV



## HISTORY

Launched in 1959 by Bernard de Nonancourt, Grand Siècle is Laurent-Perrier's prestige cuvée, and the epitome of the art of blending. Grand Siècle's elegant bottle was inspired by the work of early 17th century master glassmakers. The cuvée takes its name, which means "Great Century", from the illustrious period of French history during the reign of King Louis XIV, called the Sun King. At that time, art de vivre reached its pinnacle and French gastronomy was born, ushering in the concept of vins de terroir and the first effervescent wines from Champagne.

## THE BLEND

55% Chardonnay, 45% Pinot Noir

Grand Siècle is made exclusively from 100% grand cru grapes from elven of the most outstanding villages including Avize, Cramant and Le Mesnil-sur-Oger for Chardonnay and Ambonnay, Bouzy, and Mailly for Pinot Noir.

#### VINIFICATION AND AGING

Grand Siècle endeavors to "create the perfect year by blending three complimentary years which have been declared vintages by Laurent-Perrier.

One year is chosen for structure, one for elegance and one for freshness.

The best Chardonnay and Pinot Noir wines are kept in reserve tanks in the dedicated Grand Siècle cuverie at Laurent-Perrier. Ater the base blend is crafted, it is put into bottles that will age in the cellars for a minimum of seven years, often nine, prior to disgorging. Magnums age a further two years. A small dosage of 8 grams of sugar per liter is added to Grand Siècle.

# TASTING NOTES

APPEARANCE: Bright gold with very fine effervescence.

AROMA: Intense and complex nose of candied citrus developing into aromas of fresh pastry and toasted almonds, with subtle hints of honey and gingerbread.

TASTE: Complex, marrying structure to finesse, resulting in a perfect balance between power and delicacy. This textured wine continues to develop on the palate and in the glass, showing notes of honey, hazelnut, and toasted brioche.

## SERVING AND PAIRING

The creaminess and complexity of Grand Siècle perfectly complements any dish with truffles or mushrooms.



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