

# PRESTIGE CHARLES GARDET BLANC DE BLANCS

The best Chardonnays are selected to come constitute a perpetual reserve from which we draw each year to bottle this prestigious wine. It is a fine, tensed and vibrant champagne.



Grapes & Origin

Premiers & Grands Crus only

## Fermentations & Ageing

In stainless steel tanks Alcoholic fermentation, no malolactic fermentation. Ageing of the year's wines (25%) for 8 months Reserve wines Solera (75%)

+ Bottle-aged on lees for 3 to 4 years

+ minimum 3 months after disgorgement before shipping

### Dosage Brut: 6 g/L

From a liquor made out of the same wine and beet sugar

# A perpetual reserve

This Blanc de Blancs is made out of a Chardonnay blend from different villages and different vintages, aged (before bottling) with the technique of a perpetual reserve, or "Solera".

**Solera** It consists in a wine reserve in stainless-steel tank from which 25% is taken out each year to constitute 75% of this Blanc de Blancs. The year's new Chardonnays come replace the wine taken out. This "Solera" was started in 2016 on a beginning base of the 4 preceding vintages.

**Year's** The Chardonnay selection from the latest harvest. One part is to complete the other 25% of this cuvée, the other part goes to refilling the 25% taken out from the Solera.

# <u>Tasting</u>

Optimal service temperature: 6 to 8°C (43 to 46°F)

**Colour** Lemon yellow with silver glow.

**Nose** Very pleasant. Toasted and almond notes opening up on fruit aromas. Stone yellow fruits (peach, apricot, nectarine), citrus (fresh orange juice, zest). Floral touch (elderberry, lime tree).

**Taste** Softness, freshness and minerality. Fruit aromas (yellow peach, orange, lemon) and notes of vanilla, hazelnut and toasted bread. Very floral finish.

### Fine cuisine pairings

Beurre blanc pike; Lobster with lemon and butter sauce; Sushi platter, seafood platter; Fish and exotic fruit ceviche seasoned with lime juice.

### Bottling data

Bottling period: March Container sizes: bottles Initial closure: crown cap

## Shipping & cellaring

Final closure (after disgorgement): Diam technology cork.

Transport and storage: Clear glass makes the wine more sensible to light. It is crucial to leave the bottle in its box, away from light, in order to preserve its qualities.

Post-shipment cellaring: Ready to drink, can be kept in cellar conditions for up to 5 years.

#### Awards

Wine Enthusiast 2021 / 92 points Jancis Robinson / 2020 / 16,5/20

