

Bollinger RD Vintage, Champagne

£350.00

Vintage: 1996
Bottle Size: 75cl
Alcohol %: 12%
Country: France



Description: Since 1952, small parcels of certain vintages of La Grande Année have been kept on the lees for extended ageing, and then released years later as this unique wine. The grapes (63% Pinot Noir, 37% Chardonnay) are harvested exclusively from Grand and Premier Cru vineyards, most of which are owned by the House itself, ensuring optimum quality from the vineyard to the bottle. After a minimum of eight years on the lees it is released. This extended lees ageing gives it an extraordinary aromatic complexity, acclaimed by lovers of the greatest Champagnes, and the greatest wines. After manual riddling, disgorging and a light dosage (3 to 4 grams of residual sugar per litre) the wine rests for 3 months before recovering a perfect balance, and being made ready for shipment. The next vintage is the 1999 the 22nd edition of this great wine and it is ready now.

Cepages: Pinot Noir, Chardonnay

Group: Champagne

Sub group:

Colour: Vintage & Prestige Cuvée

Closure: Cork

Producer:

Website: www.champagne-bollinger.com

Organic/Bio Status:

Food / cocktail match: Let this very special champagne take centre stage. A plate of aged Comte should be just enough to complement.

Food / cocktail recipe:

Press

Awards

Other Info:

Although the family history can be traced back to 1650, Bollinger officially formed in 1829 when Athanase de Villermont, Paul Raudin and Jacques Bollinger decided to merge their business acumen, land and knowledge of winemaking. It did not take long for the company and its wines to become noticed and in July 1884 Bollinger was given the Royal Warrant by Queen Victoria. This Royal Warrant is still held to this day by Bollinger. The wines are dominated by the Pinot Noir grape, and are weighty and biscuity. Bollinger age their wines that little bit longer than most, so they always present delicious notes of freshly baked bread. Bollinger produce around 3 million bottles per year. A firm favourite of royalty, secret service agents, and those who appreciate the finer things in life.