



DOMAINE CARNEROS.

2018 *Le Rêve Blanc de Blancs*



BLEND

100% Estate Grown Chardonnay

ABOUT OUR LE RÊVE

Le Rêve is our esteemed tête de cuvée - our winery's finest sparkling wine. French for "the dream," it was Claude Taittinger's dream to produce the finest blanc de blancs in the United States. Produced using exacting méthode traditionnelle winemaking, this wine exhibits a complexity and concentration resultant of aging for a minimum of six years en tirage. Le Rêve is crafted from our most prized blocks of 100% estate grown Chardonnay, making it a pure expression of Domaine Carneros.

HARVEST NOTES

2018 saw the coolest temperatures since the 2011 growing season, allowing an extended hang time for the fruit and longer flavor development. Additionally, replenished reservoirs and healthy vineyards from the abundant rains of the previous vintage allowed for a larger than normal crop. These elements translate to the perfect combination of a high-yield and high-quality vintage that winemakers dream about.

WINEMAKER'S TASTING NOTES

On the nose, our classic Le Rêve captivates with lovely notes of freshly sliced pear, yuzu, quince, and lemon thyme that interlace with delicate white flowers and ginger. The palate opens up with lychee, poached pear, toasted hazelnut, and notes of brioche. This wine displays a bright and supple entry that leads to a lively finish with texture. As with many great wines, our 2018 Le Rêve has been crafted to be long-lived and will continue to evolve for decades in the cellar. Delicious now, but there will be additional flavor benefits for those who can wait.

SUGGESTED PAIRINGS

Savor this vintage of Le Rêve on its own for the most memorable occasions. Our winemaker Zak Miller suggests pairing this stunning wine with lobster, gnocchi with lemon cream sauce, fritto misto, or for a moment of true indulgence - Dungeness crab eggs benedict.

TECHNICAL DATA

Appellation: Carneros
Alcohol: 12%
pH: 3.0
TA: 0.80g/100ml
Sugar (dosage): 0.9%

PRICE

\$128