

Champagne Moet et Chandon Nectar Imperial Brut N.V.



Region

Champagne is north-east France and widely recognised for its prestigious sparkling wine made by traditional method. The vineyards of Champagne are planted in three distinct areas south of the city of Reims. The `Montagne de Reims` is predominately Pinot Noir, the backbone to the Champagne blend, whilst in the south `Cote des Blancs` has chalky slopes best suited to Chardonnay, and Pinot Meunier dominates the `Vallee de la Marne`. The secret of Champagne is in the blend, with choice of variety and vineyards to achieve the `house style`. Champagne produces a range of styles depending on varieties used and ageing which determine the character of the wine.

Producer

The company dates back to 1743, when founder Claude Moet began shipping wines to Paris. Today the house is the largest producer, owning some 1,500 hectares of vines, in the Montagne de Reims, Cote de Blancs and the Vallee de la Marne. The cellars are situated in the heart of Epernay, where there are 28 km of tunnels carved deep into the marble chalk beneath the town, allowing the wines to age and develop in the cool and humid conditions. Moet et Chandon also own Dom Perignon Champagne, named after the monk credited with discovering the `Methode Champenoise`.

Tasting Notes

Rich, exotic and generously fruity, Nectar Impérial is a luscious demi-sec Champagne with an intense golden colour. The nose bursts with ripe pineapple and mango, followed by juicy apricot and mirabelle plum, with a subtle hint of vanilla. The palate is full and creamy, balancing tropical fruit and silky stone-fruit flavours with refreshing grapefruit on the finish. Its generous sweetness and lively freshness make it a distinctive, indulgent style of Champagne.

Food

It pairs best with fruit tarts, panna cotta, foie gras, sweet-and-sour poultry, and blue cheese.

Technical Information

Country	France
Region	Champagne
Grape(s)	Pinot Meunier (35%) Pinot Noir (35%) Chardonnay (30%)
Type	Sparkling
Style	Fizz
Oaked Style	Unoaked
Body Style	Medium bodied
Sustainable	No

Dry/Sweet Style	Medium	
Alcohol Content	12.5%	
Closure Style	Cork	
Organic/Biodynamic	No	
Allergens	Milk:	No
	Egg:	No
Vegetarian/Vegan	Vegetarian:	Yes
	Vegan:	Yes



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