

Champagne Pierre Moncuit Le Mesnil-sur-Oger



This important domain is a sure source for the very consensual production of blanc de blancs which are a little more supple and quicker ready to drink than the majority of the wines from Mesnil, but which still bring all the finesse and purity of this exceptional terroir. The Cuvée Hugues de Coulmet comes from the vines of Sézanne and possesses, obviously, in spite of its real qualities, less finesse and race than the grands crus. Very old vines in the heart of Mesnil produce a very small volume of the most magnificent blanc de blancs imaginable, the Cuvée Nicole Moncuit.

Bettane & Dessauve's Grand Guide des Vins de France 2008

Hugues de Coulmet Blanc de Blancs NV

Sappy, penetrating orchard fruit and citrus zest flavors pick up spiciness as well as depth with air. Finishes dry and stony, with very good clarity and grip and lingering minerality.

90 points, Josh Reynolds, Vinous Media, January 2015

The following have also reviewed this wine:

92 points, Wine & Spirits Magazine, December 2014

90 points, Josh Reynolds, Stephen Tanzer's International Wine Cellar, December 2013

90 points, Antonio Galloni, The Wine Advocate, #180

92 points, Alison Napjus, The Wine Spectator (*Three times*: May 2011, Nov 2012 and Nov 2014!)

91 points, Allen Meadows, Burghound, 1st quarter 2013

Delos Grand Cru NV

A complex, strikingly elegant and airy nose...the refined character continues onto the absolutely delicious flavors that possess a moderately exuberant mousse before terminating in a dry, crisp and slightly austere finish that is clean, refreshing and persistent. This knockout is drinking perfectly now and is highly recommended.

93/now+ points, Allen Meadows, Burghound, Issue #48

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92 points, John Gilman, View from the Cellar, #34 July-August 2011

91 and 90 points, Alison Napjus, The Wine Spectator, May 2011 and November 2014

91 points, Roger Voss, Wine Enthusiast, May 2013

2005 Brut Blanc de Blancs Grand Cru

Light gold. High-pitched, mineral-driven scents of candied citrus fruits, quinine, jasmine and buttered toast, with a subtle anise quality building with air. Tightly focused and linear on entry, then richer in the mid-palate, offering spicy poached pear and lemon curd flavors and a touch of fresh fig. Shows plenty of nerve on the finish, which clings with strong, gently toasty tenacity.

91 points, Josh Raynolds, Stephen Tanzer's International Wine Cellar, November-December, 2013

2004 Cuvée Nicole Moncuit Vieilles Vignes

Shows lovely complexity and nuance from the combination of 90-100 year-old vines and extended time on the lees. Apricot jam, mint, spice, honey and wild flowers are laced together nicely. Readers looking for a Champagne that is beginning to show slightly more mature notes will adore Moncuit's 2004. Disgorged September 2013. Dosage is 8 grams per liter.

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Brut Rosé NV

A nervous, edgy Rosé, the NV Brut Rosé is a great choice for readers who enjoy tense, energetic Champagnes. Bright floral notes meld into expressive red berries and mint. Chalky notes inform the vibrant, beautifully articulated finish. This is a very strong effort, especially within the context of the year. Moncuit's Rosé is 75% Chardonnays from 40 year-old vines in Mesnil and 25% still Pinot from Ambonnay. Disgorged July 2014. Dosage is 8 grams per liter.

91 points, Antonio Galloni, Vinous, November 2014