



## Cuvée 741

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*Jacquesson is a boutique – only Salon is smaller among the elite houses. Some 280,000 bottles per annum are made, nearly 78% with grapes from their own 28-ha (69-acre) estate, the rest bought in from growers they know well. Recently they restructured their supply, with much less bought in, now only from 8 ha (20 acres), reduced from nearly 20 ha (49 acres). This gives greater control over the vineyard work and a sharper focus on the terroirs reflected in the main Brut NV. It is a deliberate reduction in overall production, halving production from over 400,000 bottles 20 years ago... The house has made a vast strategic turn to vintage and vineyard expression rather than house style. This 'Brut sans année' of the house is the 700 Series, begun in 2000 with the 728. Jacquesson also concentrate on single-vineyard wines and occasional Dégorgement Tardif (late-disgorged) versions. No herbicides are used; devigoration and lower yields completely deliberate.*

**Cuvée 741 Extra Brut NV:** *Classy concentration immediately apparently on the nose. Lovely lacy texture but with density underneath. This is very smart stuff. Just a pleasure to drink now with great balance. Maybe not amazing persistence but I challenge anyone not to enjoy this.*

18/20 pts –Jancis Robinson, July 2018

*The Cuvée No. 741, based on the 2013 vintage, is quite pretty. Complex, nuanced and multi-dimensional in feel, the 741 is beautifully layered in the glass. In this release, the Pinot Noir is especially expressive and gives the wine a measure of textural breadth that is unusual for a young 700-series Champagne.*

93 pts –Antonio Galloni, Vinous Media, July 2018

*This is a very pure, fresh and elegant Cuvée that reflects the vitality of the 2013 vintage. "The Pinot Noir was spectacularly tasty in 2013 and showed good fruit and structure," says Jean-Hervé Chiquet. The Cuvée 741 is really straight, fresh and stimulating...*

92 pts –Stephan Reinhardt, The Wine Advocate, June 2018

*The signature complexity and aromas of nutty red fruit and preserved yellow citrus make for a very complex and interesting NV style.*

93 pts –James Suckling.com, September 2018

*The wine is quite beautiful already.....*

92 pts –John Gilman, A View from the Cellar, Issue 76