

# Champagne Barnaut

## Bouzy



### Grande Réserve Brut Héritage Familial Grand Cru NV

*This bottle of the NV Brut Grand Cru Grande Réserve was disgorged in November 2017 with six grams per liter dosage. It's showing well, exhibiting scents of waxy red apples, pastry cream, tangerine and a subtle touch of smoke. On the palate, the wine is medium to full-bodied and fleshy but incisive, with brisk acids, good mid-palate depth, a good mousse and a precise finish. This is a classy, Pinot Noir-dominant non-vintage cuvée that will reward aging on cork.*

**91 points**-William Kelley, The Wine Advocate, April 2019

*(disgorged 12 December 2017). As the name would suggest, it's clear from the nose that there is a relatively high proportion of reserve stocks in the blend as the nose is clearly mature, offering notes of baked apple, citrus and plenty of aged yeast-inflected nuances. I like the complexity of the rich, muscular and full-bodied flavors that possess the same fine complexity as the nose before terminating in a moderately dry, clean and lightly citrus-inflected finish. This is lovely and while it's not a particularly elegant example, it's hard to beat the complexity for the price point. Now+*

**92 points**-Allen Meadows, Burghound #72, October 2018

*The current release of Barnaut "Grande Réserve" non-vintage Brut was disgorged in December of 2017... and offers up a fine nose of apple, white peach, fresh-baked bread, lovely, chalky soil tones and a gently smoky top note. On the palate the wine is crisp, full-bodied, focused and very nicely balanced, with pinpoint bubbles, bright, zesty acids and fine grip on the long and complex finish. This is a fine bottle that is drinking nicely in its youth, but clearly will age gracefully and will be even more interesting with another three to five years in the cellar. Fine juice.*

**91 points**-John Gilman, A View from the Cellar #76, July-August 2018