

# CHAMPAGNE COLLET

## BLANC DE BLANCS Premier Cru NV



<b>WINEMAKER:</b>	Sebastien Walasiak
<b>REGION:</b>	Aÿ, France
<b>VARIETALS:</b>	Chardonnay
<b>MATURATION:</b>	A minimum of five years in 100-year-old chalk cellars
<b>DOSAGE:</b>	7.0 g/L

**VINEYARDS & WINEMAKING:** Champagne Collet's vineyard sources are in Premier and Grand Cru villages that reflect the diversity of Champagne's terroirs. Winemaker Sebastien Walasiak uses no more than 10% of the overall vineyard yields, and carefully blends the base wines of the classic Champagne varieties from individual vineyards and several vintages; blending is the ultimate art of Champagne and is the key to maintaining Collet's incomparable house style. Here is an innovative assemblage of six Chardonnays from the best Premiers and Grands Crus of the Champagne region. The three pillars of this Blanc de Blancs come from the three famous Grands Crus of Champagne - Avize, Oger and Chouilly. Avize is a rich Cru which brings strength. Oger offers tenderness and Chouilly a true elegance and finesse. These limestone-rich crus naturally present mineral notes and citrus aromas. The assemblage is balanced by the unique blend of Chardonnay of Villers-Marmery, a very mineraly Cru with smoky notes, making the wine round and light. The crus from Vaudemange and Trépail complete the assemblage. The wines are aged far beyond the minimum requirement in the winery's 100-year-old chalk cellars, resulting in softer wines with less dosage.

**TASTING NOTES:** This generous and supple champagne is made of 100% Chardonnay from six crus, the majority of which are in the renowned Côte des Blancs region. Aged for a minimum of five years. A subtle bouquet of grapefruit and white flower notes. The palate is delicate and gradual demonstrating a nearly perfect aromatic balance on the long finish.

**CRITICAL ACCLAIM:** 93 pts Wine Enthusiast, 90 pts Wine Spectator, 90 pts Decanter

**ABOUT CHAMPAGNE COLLET:** The history of Champagne Collet is inextricably linked to the history of the Champagne region. A founding member of COGEVI, Champagne Collet's history harkens back to the Revolt Champenoise that established Champagne as an appellation. It is located in the heart of Aÿ, one of Champagne's 17 Grand Cru villages and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Since 1921, Champagne Collet has produced elegant and regionally distinctive cuvées from Grand Cru and Premier Cru vineyards. Their wines are centered on gastronomy and capture the artistic and joyful spirit of the Art Deco period.

