

TASTING NOTES



B & W Wines

CHARLES HEIDSIECK BLANC DES MILLENAIRES, 1995

BACKGROUND

CHARLES HEIDSIECK'S PROVENANCE IS IMMENSE, ITS ORIGINS GOING AS FAR BACK AS 1785. THAT COMPANY GAVE RISE TO THREE DIFFERENT HEIDSIECK CHAMPAGNE HOUSES, BUT IT WAS THE ENERGETIC, EXTROVERTED CHARLES-CAMILLE HEIDSIECK (MADE FAMOUS IN THE SONG "CHAMPAGNE CHARLIE") WHO FOUNDED CHARLES HEIDSIECK IN 1851.

THE HOUSE AND ITS WINES EARNED THEIR FIRST MEDALS DURING THE UNIVERSAL EXHIBITION OF 1859, AND THE EMPEROR NAPOLEON III IS SAID TO HAVE BEEN PARTIAL TO ITS AMBROSIAL QUALITIES. WITHOUT ANY ADVERTISING OTHER THAN WORD-OF-MOUTH, ITS REPUTATION IN ARISTOCRATIC CIRCLES FLOURISHED, ESTABLISHING CHARLES HEIDSIECK AS THE CHAMPAGNE DU JOUR IN MANY OF THE ROYAL HOUSES OF EUROPE.

THE WINES ARE MATURED 25M UNDERGROUND IN CHALK CELLARS DATING BACK TO THE 11TH CENTURY, UNDER THE WATCHFUL EYE OF CURRENT CHEF DE CAVE THIERRY ROSET WHO, FOLLOWING IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF DANIEL THIBAUT AND RÉGIS CAMUS, IS STAMPING HIS OWN TOUCH OF GENIUS ON THIS DISTINGUISHED BRAND. AT HIS DISPOSAL IS THE LARGEST COLLECTION OF RESERVE WINES IN CHAMPAGNE.

REVIEWS

95+ POINTS. ROBERT PARKER'S WINE ADVOCATE:

"DEEP, PURE AND FRESH ON THE FRUIT-INTENSE AND COMPLEX NOSE, THE 1995 BLANC DES MILLENAIRES IS STILL YOUNG AND INCREDIBLY FRESH ON THE PALATE. THIS IS REFRESHINGLY PURE, CONCENTRATED, FRUITY AND PERFECTLY ROUND CHAMPAGNE THAT REVEALS A GREAT TENSION AND MINERAL COMPLEXITY. IT ALSO HAS A LONG AND SALTY FINISH. KEEP IT FOR TEN OR 20 YEARS."

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VINTAGE: 1995

WINERY: CHARLES HEIDSIECK ([HTTP://CHARLESHEIDSIECK.COM](http://charlesheidsieck.com))

REGION: CHAMPAGNE

AVAILABILITY: AVAILABLE NOW IN CONSIGNMENT

CASE QUANTITY: 3 BOTTLES PER CASE

BOTTLE SIZE: 750 ML

COMPOSITION: -