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Country: U.K.

Source: International Wine and Spirit Competition 2018 (IWSC)

Date: 2018

Link: <https://www.iwsc.net/result/detail/86646>



Champagne Le Brun de Neuville Lady de N. Blanc de Blancs NV

Gold 2018

Entered By Champagne Le Brun de Neuville

Producer Name Champagne Le Brun de Neuville

Country of origin France

Judges Tasting Notes

A lovely rich colour with a really attractive fruit and baking bread nose, An elegant wine of great persistence and complexity both on the palate and the very long finish. Described by one judge as "being wrapped warmly in a favourite blanket".

Country: U.K.
 Source: Sunday Mail
 Article: The secret of a perfect bubbly
 Date: June 2018

If you're after exquisite sparkle, it has to be bottle-fermented fizz

The secret of a perfect bubbly

SUMMER has been swirling around, as capricious as the bubbles in a glass of fizz – there one moment, the next, whoosh, your allocation has vanished! The popularity of Prosecco continues, but where Prosecco is tank-fermented, producing slightly larger bubbles, the summer sparklers I'm popping in this piece are all bottle-fermented. So what?



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wine-maker into further depths of flavour.

How long to age it in the bottle before disgorging; whether to use oak; how much of a dosage (dose of sugar or sugar and wine) to add to round out fruitier flavours or to leave the fizz sharp as a citrus scythe? And so the matrix of decisions made in the name of deliciousness continues.

But for me, where summer sparklers of this pedigree really come to life is when thrilling zestiness is guided by the hand of a great

OLLY'S PICK OF THE BUNCH

DRINK OF THE WEEK

Giant killer Blanc de Noirs Brut NV Champagne (12%)
Waitrose (offer price until July 10)
 Rich fruit and fragrance, this puts plenty of big-name rivals to the sword. Excels at this price.



Cool Crémant de Bordeaux Brut (12%)
Lidl
 Stand-out personality from 75% Semillon, 20% Cabernet Franc and 5% Muscadelle.



Crafty Cava Tesco Finest Vintage Cava Brut DOC 2014 (11.5%)
Tesco
 Three cheers! This fizz has poise, precision and richness all threaded with headlining zing.



Full English Balfour 1503 Foxwood Classic Cuvee NV (11.5%)
Co-Op
 Elegance and finesse in a package of outstanding value.



Fab fizz Le Brun de Neuville L'Authentique Blancs (12%)
Lant Street Wine
 Rarely have I tasted such definition and finesse.

marginal climate is tantalising – my collection of English fizz has grown to epic proportions over the years.

Traillblazing Peter Hall, at Breaky Bottom near Lewes in East Sussex, is one of my wine heroes. He's as charismatic as his wine – a person of profundity, charm, thought, twinkle and heart. Hunt down his fab fizz at breakybottom.co.uk

(I've just bought three cases, and his Sparkling Brut 2009 Chardonnay/Pinot Cuvée Gerard Hoffnung for £31 is a superlative sparkler) or phone 01273 476427 to visit – in my view – Britain's most picturesque vineyard.

Of course, there is tremendous Champagne produced by small growers as well as big names,

Crémant still offers great value across France for bottle-fermented beauties crafted outside the Champagne region.

But please remember Spanish Cava. With its unique flavours and quality, setting its great value aside, it deserves to be celebrated as much as every last bubble in the sparklers of summer.

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Source: Wine Blog: Olly Smith

Date: June 2018

Link: <https://www.ollysmith.com/wines/le-brun-de-neuville-lauthentique-champagne-blanc-de-blancs-brut/>

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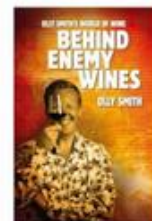
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Source: Blog : On The Trail

Article: A Grand Scale for Grand Champagnes – Le Brun de Neuville

Date: March 2018

Link: <http://onthetrail.klwines.com/on-the-trail-blog/2018/3/29/a-grand-scale-for-grand-champagnes-le-brun-de-neuville?rq=neuville>

A Grand Scale for Grand Champagnes – Le Brun de Neuville

March 29, 2018 · Alex Schroeder



Many customers are surprised to learn that the delicious champagnes of Le Brun de Neuville are actually the product of a rather sizable co-op in the Sezanne area of south Champagne. The wines are made from the fruit of over 160 growers from seven different villages in this very chalky area, but don't let the large scale fool you. The quality and precision with which they are made is quite stunning with the pristine facility where the magic happens being a wonder in itself.

During harvest time, two enormous 12,000 hectoliter presses run 24 hours a day, producing an enormous amount of juice. Le Brun de Neuville only keeps the tête de cuvée, or first press juice, for their wines, selling the other 2/3s to the large negociants. They vinify and store everything separately depending on the different growing conditions behind the vines, including; which village they come from, whether grass is grown between the rows, their overall age, etc. This way they have as many options as possible when blending to create the perfect champagnes.

Country: U.S.

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Gary Westby and I sat down with longtime friend, export director Amandine Volhuer, to try a few of the cuvées.

One of my favorite lines of champagne in the store is the Le Brun de Neuville "Authentique." The wines are aged entirely on a cork rather than the much more widely used bottle cap. This allows for a tiny amount of micro-oxygenation to occur during aging, lending to richer texture and greater lasting power.

A strong candidate for future importation was the Authentique Blanc de Blancs, made from 100% Sezanne Chardonnay dosed at a modest 6 g/L. It had a

beautiful concentration of lemon, white apple, and cream flavors with a very linear structure and great freshness. While not as rich as the Blanc de Blancs of the Côte de Blancs, the balance, freshness, and minerality make this a great candidate for an oyster feast.

Next, we tried the 2009 vintage brut, made from 93% Chardonnay, 7% Pinot Noir, dosed at 8 grams of sugar per liter. True to the vintage, it had wonderful rich dried apricot, Meyer lemon, acacia flower notes with good salinity and minerals. It told the story of a vintage that I very much enjoy for its opulence and drinkability, and I plan on picking up at least a few bottles when it arrives.

-Alex Schroeder




Country: Japan

Source: Sakura Awards

Date: February 2018

Link: <http://www.sakuraaward.com/en/award/2018/detail/11054>

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CHAMPAGNE LE BRUN DE NEUVILLE

AUTHENTIQUE ASSEMBLAGE BRUT N.V.

Vintage : N.V.
Variety : CHARDONNAY 71.0%
PINOT NOIR 29.0%
Region : CHAMPAGNE
Classification : AOP(AOC)
Bottle Size : 750ml
Wine Category : Sparkling Wine
Alcohol by volume : 12.0%
Suggested retail Price Zone : A
Submitted by Agent : LE BRUN DE NEUVILLE

Price Zone	yen
A	6,001~
B	4,001~6,000
C	2,501~4,000
D	1,501~2,500
E	1,001~1,500
F	~1,000
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Source: Wine Enthusiast

Date: December 2017

Article: Tasting Notes

Link: <https://www.winemag.com/?s=Le%20Brun%20de%20Neuville>

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Cellar Selection

Le Brun de Neuville 2008 Grand Vintage Brut (Champagne)

Almost entirely Chardonnay, with just a whisper of Pinot Noir, this is a dry Champagne. It is crisp, lively, steely and with great intensity. The apple and lemon flavors are just a part of this impressive wine that could age longer. Drink from 2019.

— R.V. *Published 12/1/2017*

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POINTS

Le Brun de Neuville NV Lady de N. Cuvée Elevé en fûts de Chêne Brut (Champagne)

A wine that was fermented in wood before bottling, this is rich, with a definite edge of toast and spice. It is ripe with crisp fruit, although the wood has broadened the wine, giving it an attractive oxidative character. Drink this fine wine now.

— R.V. *Published 12/1/2017*

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POINTS

Le Brun de Neuville NV Authentique Blanc de Blancs Brut Chardonnay (Champagne)

The small Sézanne region of Champagne is known for its Chardonnay (as exemplified by this wine) with its crisp mineral texture.

The apple-skin and green-plum flavors are given an edge by the tight acidity and dryness. It could do with another few months in bottle, so drink this bottling from 2018.

— R.V. *Published 12/1/2017*

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POINTS

Le Brun de Neuville NV Blanc de Blancs Extra Brut Chardonnay (Champagne)

This producer's signature grape is Chardonnay and this Champagne with its tight, nervy and mineral character is a fitting emblem. It is crisp, with green-apple fruit and lively acidity. Underneath there is a structure that will allow the bottling to age further. Drink from 2018.

— R.V. *Published 12/1/2017*

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Le Brun de Neuville NV Lady de N. Cuvée Rosé Brut (Champagne)

This is a crisp, 90% Pinot Noir-based wine with a light tannic edge from the red wine used to give color. It also has ripe red-berry fruits as well as acidity giving it dryness. It is fruity, steely and ready to drink.

— **R.V.** *Published 12/1/2017*

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Le Brun de Neuville NV Authentique Brut Rosé (Champagne)

With a high percentage (67%) of Chardonnay in the blend, this is a crisp and steely wine. It has a fine elegant balance between acidity and the texture, giving delicious red fruits their place. The wine is definitely more of a food Champagne. Drink now.

— **R.V.** *Published 12/1/2017*

Source: Falstaff

Date: December 2017

Article: Tasting Note

Lien: <https://www.falstaff.at/ld/w/champagne-le-brun-de-neuville/>

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Champagne Le Brun de Neuville Blanc de Blancs Brut

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Punkte

Hefe, Heu, grüne Walnuss, mittelfeines Mousseux, knackige Säure, fast adstringierend, leichte Grüntöne, eine Spur gereifte Geschmeidigkeit dahinter, würzige, Chardonnay-typische Gaumenaromen, Apfel, Süßmandel, Mais, eine Spur Salzigkeit, mineralischer Abklang, von leichter Süße begleitet.

Tasting: [Champagner Tasting 2017](#); 29.11.2017 Verkostet von: Ulrich Sautter

Champagne Le Brun de Neuville Authentique Assemblage

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Punkte

Nussig, jodig, saftig und fast seifig-mineralisch, feines, cremiges Mousseux, gutes Volumen und dennoch auch Frische und Nerv, lebendiger Gaumen mit Spiel und Richtung, passend dosierte, nicht zu knappe Süße, frisch und fast zum Kauen stoffig im Übergang zum Abgang, mineralische-würziges Finale.

Tasting: [Champagner Tasting 2017](#); 29.11.2017 Verkostet von: Ulrich Sautter

Champagne Le Brun de Neuville Authentique Brut Rosé

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Punkte

Quitte, Hagebutte, leicht buttrig unterlegt. Vergleichsweise süßer Auftakt, saftige Gaumenfrucht, feiner Säurenerv, lebendiges Mousseux mittlerer Feinperligkeit, ein Hauch von Gerbstoff, und ein harmonischer, fruchtgetragener Abklang. Mineralischer Hintergrund, trinkfreudiger und zugänglicher Rosé.

Tasting: [Champagner Tasting 2017](#); 29.11.2017 Verkostet von: Ulrich Sautter

Source: Gourmets
Date: December 2017



Le Brun de Neuville Authentique Blanc de Blancs. Brut

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Amarillo verdosa, la capa enseña un cordón de burbujas finas. Espino y acacia en nariz, toque anisado. Piel de limón tras agitar la copa. La efervescencia en el paladar es cremosa. Muy mineral; final alimonado. Envejecido tres años, degollado en febrero, 9,8 g/l de licor de expedición. Unión de 28 viñateros, en 1963. Diez años después presentan la marca Le Brun de Neuville. Las 150 hectáreas de viñedos, de 40 años promedio, en las colinas del Sézennais, una de las cunas de la DO Champagne, albergan pinot noir y chardonnay.

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Source: Wine Spectator
Date: November 2017
Article: Tasting notes



Tasting Note

LE BRUN DE NEUVILLE

Brut Champagne 2008

Score: 91

Release Price \$80

Country France

Region Champagne

Issue Web Only - 2017

Tasting Note

A firm version, with a light and lacy mousse carrying pretty hints of ripe black cherry, apple blossom, chalk and biscuit. Clean-cut on the moderate finish. Drink now through 2025. 1,500 cases made.
-AN

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Source: ENOFYLZ Wine Blog

Date: October 2017

Article: Champagne Le Brun de Neuville, Superb Value for Champagne Day

Lien: <http://enofylzwineblog.com/2017/10/20/champagne-le-brun-de-neuville-authentique-assemblage-a-top-value-for-champagneday/>



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Champagne Le Brun de Neuville Authentique Assemblage; Superb Value For #ChampagneDay

Posted by MARTIN D. REDMOND on OCTOBER 20, 2017

Grapes for this wine were sourced from the Côte de Sézanne region of Champagne. The area is mostly planted with Chardonnay as the region has the same chalk seam as the Côte des Blancs. The soil is composed of chalk with large amounts of marl and sand. The primary similarity between the two regions is that Chardonnay is the predominant grape.

This wine is a blend of 75% Chardonnay, 25% Pinot Noir. Primary fermentation was done in stainless steel (92%) and oak barrels (8%). It was aged for five years on the lees. **The sur-lie aging was done under cork rather than crown cap, a much more labor-intensive process usually reserved for much more expensive wines, most famously vintage Bollinger.** It is believed secondary fermentation under cork rather than screw cap adds greater depth and complexity to wine, including a more delicate bead and a softer mousse. Dosage is 7.5 g/L

About Champagne Le Brun

The award-winning coopérative Le Brun de Neuville was founded in 1963 by the Le Brun family and a team of twenty passionate winegrowers in the Sézannais. The Le Brun family has a long history in the region and has been producing wine there for five generations. Today, the cooperative has 150 members harvesting 152 hectares of hillside vineyards spread over seven villages with crus like Villenauxe-la Grande, Fontaine-Denis, Barbonne-Fayel, but also Chantemerle and La-Celle-sous-Chantemerle. Chardonnay makes up 90% of total production. They sell 65% to other producers, while the best is saved for Le Brun de Neuville.

Le Brun earned the "Champagne Producer of the Year Award" presented by *International Wine & Spirit Competition* for 2015.



Champagne Le Brun de Neuville Authentique Assemblage – "Five years aging on lees, under cork rather than crown cap for \$35? Who says fine Champagne has to be expensive? One of my favorite under \$40 bottles of Champagne this year!"



My tasting notes follow:

Color – Brilliant pale yellow

Aromas – Charming toast, apple, baked white peach, lemon marmalade, floral and chalk

Body – Medium/full-bodied, fresh, elegant, harmonious and focused with a rich, creamy mousse

Taste – Yellow apple, pear, tangerine, lemon, with a very appealing minerality that is both saline and chalky

Finish – Long

91 pts – 12% abv | SRP – \$35 | 5,006 bottles produced | Sample purchased for review

Five years aging on lees, under cork rather than crown cap for \$35? Who says fine Champagne has to be expensive? One of my favorite under \$40 bottles of Champagne this year!

Source: Andreas Larsson –Blindtasted.com

Article: Tasting Notes 07/2017

Lien: <http://www.blindtasted.com/wine/15407-le-brun-de-neuville-grand-vintage-2008-white/tasting-25842>

LE BRUN DE NEUVILLE - GRAND VINTAGE 2008

90/100

France - Champagne - White

Tasted on 07/2017

2008

ANDREAS LARSSON :

Pale golden colour with a green hue and fine mousse. Aromas of fresh pastry, nougat with yellow fruit like peach, apricot and ripe citrus. The palate has a good bite, ripe and fresh with a soft creaminess, zesty yellow fruit, a hint of butter and nuts with a long finish. Still youthful but attractive.

Andreas Larsson

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Source: On The Trail

Date: February 2017

Article: The Star of Sézanne

Lien: <http://onthetrail.klwines.com/on-the-trail-blog/2017/2/23/the-star-of-the-szanne>

The Star of the Sézanne

February 23, 2017 - Gary Westby



For more than a decade, I had my eyes open for a good producer from the Sézanne in Champagne, but had no luck in finding one. This sub-region of Champagne is an isolated valley on chalk soil cut out of a plain in the middle of nowhere. Although just thirty miles south of Epernay, the empty, even desolate land between the two places makes it seem like another planet. I never suspected that I would eventually strike gold with a cooperative in the Sézanne (or for that matter anywhere). I am a partisan for independent grower producers, and wrongly thought that all co-ops only produced basic to low-quality wine in order to hit a low price point. Le Brun de Neuville disproved my prejudice with their obsession for quality, especially with their "Authentique".



Le Brun de Neuville is located in Bethon, right in the heart of the Sézanne. They have 370 acres total from the 168 members of the cooperative, but they only make Champagne from the best third of that land. Although their vineyard spreads across seven villages, the Authentique is only made from the best plots in Bethon. The wines are pressed in a combination of computer controlled, modern coquard diagonal presses and Pera bladder presses. When I visited, Amandine Vouhleur wowed me with their capacity—they have room for ten years of stocks, allowing for very long ageing of the wines. The "Authentique" profits from that capacity as it's aged for five years on the lees on a cork rather than a cap (so the cork in the bottle is its second).

Source: On The Trail

Date: February 2017

Article: The Star of Sézanne

Lien: <http://onthetrail.klwines.com/on-the-trail-blog/2017/2/23/the-star-of-the-szanne>



Aging on a cork like this is a pain—none of the disgorgement lines will accommodate bottles like this, and they must all be disgorged by hand. The benefit is a better exchange with, and a bit of immunization from, oxygen. The five years on the lees give this wine a nutty creaminess, while the pure chalk soil gives the wine zip and minerality. The bead on this wine is tiny and shows the long time on the lees. I love the **Le Brun de Neuville "Authentique Assemblage"** on its own as an aperitif, and I have also had great luck pairing it with oysters. I think it might be the best bottle we have in the store for pairing with caviar, which is saying something given the great direct import price. This producer is a star in the Sézanne and a new star in our direct import program. I hope that you'll give the wine a try.

-Gary Westby

Source: Wine Spectator
Date: 15 décembre 2016
Article: Tasting Notes
Lien: http://www.winespectator.com/wine/detail/note_id/423854



Tasting Note

LE BRUN DE NEUVILLE

Brut Blanc de Blancs Champagne NV

Score: 90

Release Price \$49

Country France

Region Champagne

Issue Dec 15, 2016

Tasting Note

This bright version is well-balanced and creamy, with a pleasing mix of toasted hazelnut, baked white peach, spring blossom and spice. Drink now. 10,000 cases made.

-AN



Source: Wine Enthusiast
Date: 1 décembre 2016
Article: Tasting Notes
Lien: <http://www.winemag.com>

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Editors' Choice

Le Brun de Neuville NV Lady de N. Cuvée Clovis (Champagne)

Aged for seven years before disgorging, this deliciously mature wine is full of Pinot Noir richness. It has a warm character that seems to be the style of this producer in the Côte de Sézanne. Named after the king who created the French monarchy, the wine has toast, almonds and a generous, creamy aftertaste.

Drink now.

— **R.V.** *Published 12/1/2016*

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Le Brun de Neuville NV Lady de N. Cuvée Brut Chardonnay (Champagne)

Chardonnay is an important part of the landscape in the Sézanne area south of Epernay. This ripe, toasty wine has a rich, warm take on the grape. Almonds and hazelnuts mingle with peach and pear flavors giving a creamy character. The bottling is ready to drink.

— **R.V.** *Published 12/1/2016*

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POINTS

Le Brun de Neuville NV Blanc de Blancs Brut Chardonnay (Champagne)

This producer based in the small Côte de Sézanne has produced a bright, zesty and crisp style of blanc de blancs. It emphasizes fruitiness, lively with only a light touch of chalky minerality. It is full, ripe, fruity and ready to drink.

— **R.V.** *Published 12/1/2016*

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POINTS

Le Brun de Neuville NV Authentique Brut Assemblage (Champagne)

From a blend that is primarily Chardonnay, this is soft and full in the mouth, with a creamy texture. Touches of apples and pears are integrated by the acidity and zesty citrus. The aftertaste is ripe, hinting at tropical fruits.

— **R.V.** *Published 12/1/2016*

Source: International Wine and Spirit Compétition
Date: 2015 - 2016
Lien: <https://www.iwsc.net/company/profile/287/1>



Cuvée Lady de N. Chardonnay NV

Gold Outstanding 2016

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Producer Name Champagne Le Brun de Neuville
Country of origin France



Le Brun de Neuville Lady de N Chardonnay NV

Gold Outstanding 2015

The NV Champagne Trophy 2015

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