CHAMPAGNE PALMER VINTAGE 1980

Montagne de Reims, Champagne





TASTING NOTES: This Vintage 1980 reveals an inviting amber hue, promising depth and maturity. On the nose, it exudes a mature character, with a medley of aromas including blackberry, prune, orange, licorice, and hints of eucalyptus, tobacco, smoke, and garrigue. The palate mirrors this maturity, offering flavors of fruit in alcohol and exotic fruit, enveloped in a smoky embrace. Balanced by good acidity, it delivers a satisfying and complex tasting experience.

VITICULTURE: The 1980 Champagne harvest, like 1978, 1979, saw varied weather. A cool spring limited flowering, yielding less. Despite a hot summer aiding ripening, harvest rains caused rot, demanding careful selection. Wines had refreshing acidity but needed meticulous care. Starting on October 9th, the harvest produced a very small crop, marked by low yields but highly concentrated grapes.

FAMILY: The Palmer Champagne house in Reims is one of the newest houses in Champagne—only 75 years old—young enough to still innovate but old enough to have respected heritage. It was founded by seven passionate grower-families, obsessed with producing top-quality and legendary champagne, with the clear vision to create a Grande Marque.

Palmer has holdings of over 500 acres of vineyards in the Montagne de Reims sub-region of Champagne, all of which are Premier or Grand Cru vineyards. With its labyrinthine chalk cellars, deep beneath the streets of Reims, and its wines that spend an extended amount of time on their lees, it's little wonder why Champagne Palmer cuvées have such orchestral flavors—flavors which are always harmonious and balanced.

Champagne Palmer is heavily committed to sustainable winegrowing, focusing on soil and vine nutrition, soil maintenance, treatment of the vines and sustainable protection of the vineyards.

PRODUCER: Champagne Palmer

REGION: Montagne de Reims, Champagne

GRAPE(S): 50% Chardonnay, 50% Pinot Noir

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DOSAGE: 7.5 G/L

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