

## **DOMAINE MICHEL TURGY** Blanc de Blancs Grand Cru Brut Cuvée Vieilles Vignes

Quietly in the shadows of the larger houses in the Côte de Blancs, vinegrowing Champagne artisans like Jean-Michel Turgy are crafting characterrich wines based on the traditions of past winemaking generations. Turgy sets himself apart with wines that do more than just reflect the Mesnil style—sumptuous, sensual and richly flavored—but faithfully capture the true character of the region's unparalleled terroir, a vibrant personality often muted by mass-producing Champagne houses. For more than 130 years, the Turgy family has grown Chardonnay grapes on these chalky soils, and because of this, they can certainly claim to be more than acquainted with the true soul and substance of Mesnil.

WINERY: Domaine Michel Turgy WINEMAKER: Jean-Michel Turgy

ESTABLISHED: 1881

**REGION:** FRANCE • Champagne • Le Mesnil sur Oger

**APPELLATION:** Champagne AOC

BLEND: 100% Chardonnay

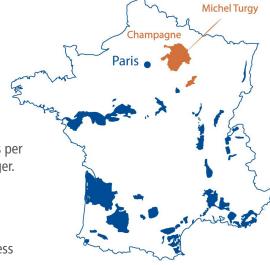
**VINEYARDS:** A selection of low-yielding older vines (some 5-7 kilograms per hectare) from 100% grand cru-rated estate vineyards in Le Mesnil sur Oger. Soils are pure chalk (ancient fossilized marl and limestone).

AGE OF VINES: 60 years and older

**WINEMAKING:** Hand-harvested. Pressed in an ancient wooden upright press. Fermented on indigenous yeasts in temperature-controlled, stainless steel tanks. Malolactic conversion blocked. Aged for five years in bottle. Zero dosage. Unfiltered.

**TASTING IMPRESSIONS:** Aromas of gardenia, light toast, lemon zest. Fresh, refined, medium-bodied; flavors of yellow stone fruits, sea salt, white pepper.

**PAIRING SUGGESTIONS:** As an aperitif; with sushi or other richer seafood; veal with herbed cream sauce (blanquette de veau)



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