

DOMAINE PETIT & BAJAN

Grand Cru Brut 'Ambrosie'

Richard Petit's family roots in Avize go back centuries, caring for Chardonnay on the chalky soils of the Côte de Blancs. Véronique Bajan's clan hails from Pinot Noir terroir in Verzenay, grand cru land on the Montagne de Reims. Love, then marriage, came first in 1997; then in 1999, when Richard took over his family's winery in Avize, the idea that they could create wine together blossomed. With Richard's attention to detail in the fields and Véronique's tasting prowess in the cellar, the small-batch, grand cru wines of Petit & Bajan are very much the voice of Champagne's new generation. These are bold, vinous wines that set a higher bar for grand cru Champagne.

WINERY: Domaine Petit & Bajan

WINEMAKER: Richard Petit

ESTABLISHED: 2008

REGION: FRANCE • Champagne • Avize

APPELLATION: Champagne AOC

BLEND: 70% Chardonnay and 30% Pinot Noir

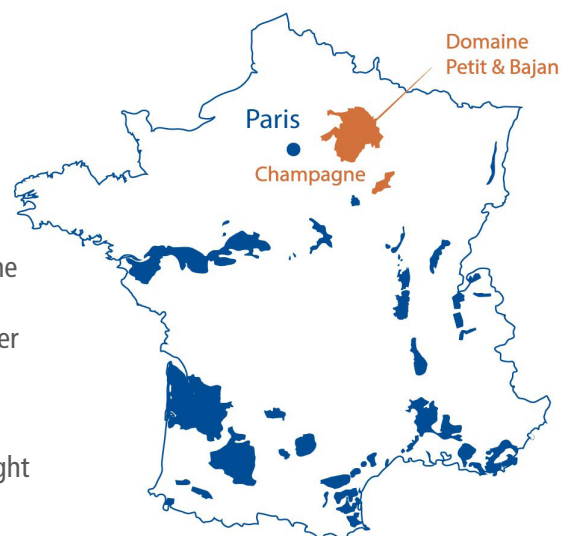
VINEYARDS: Estate vines (Chardonnay) are found on pure chalk soils in the villages of Avize, Oger and Cramant; estate vines (Pinot Noir) are found on a mix of chalk and clay in the village of Verzenay. The estate farms just over seven acres total.

AGE OF VINES: 20-30 years

WINEMAKING: Hand-harvested. Pressed directly in a hand-cranked, upright wooden press. Fermented on selected yeasts in temperature-controlled, stainless steel tanks. Malolactic conversion allowed. Base vintage 2011. Aged for a minimum of three years. Dosage 3 g/L.

TASTING IMPRESSIONS: Aromas of small red berries, spring flowers, light herbs, golden toast. Silky texture, mouth-filling, ripe; lacy flavors of citrus, summer fruit.

PAIRING SUGGESTIONS: As an aperitif; with sushi or other fresh seafood; grilled white meats; very flexible at the table



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