

DOMAINE LANCELOT-ROYER Blanc de Blancs Grand Cru Brut Nature 'Cuvée des Chevaliers' NV

What you discover with Lancelot-Royer Champagne is not only the purest expression of Chardonnay-based wine in the Côte des Blancs but also a work of vinous art that has been meticulously guided from grape to glass. Winemaker Michel Chauvet is one of the last artisans who chooses to craft his Champagne exclusively by hand, the way it was made in the early 1900s before machines replaced manual labor. Lancelot-Royer is certainly one of the smallest domaines in Champagne, yet this is a boon for a craftsman as dedicated to quality as is Chauvet. Each bottle is uncompromisingly faithful to the lemony delicacy that characterizes Cramant and the crystalline purity of the finest blanc de blancs wines.

WINERY: Domaine Lancelot-Royer WINEMAKER: Michael Chauvet

ESTABLISHED: 1960

REGION: FRANCE • Champagne • Cramant

APPELLATION: Champagne AOC **BLEND:** 100% Chardonnay

VINEYARDS: All estate vineyards (12 acres) in Cramant are rated 100% Grand Cru and planted to Chardonnay, as is tradition in the Côte de Blancs.

Soils are classic Kimmeridgian chalk.

AGE OF VINES: 30 to 40 years, on average

WINEMAKING: Hand-harvested. Pressed by hand in an upright, wooden press; fermented on indigenous yeasts in temperature-controlled, stainless steel tanks. Aged for four years in bottle. Riddled by hand. Approximately 30% reserve wine. **No added dosage.**

TASTING IMPRESSIONS: Aromas of dried flowers, green apple, yellow pear. Lemon and lemon zest, apple, stone fruit; lithe yet flavorfully complex

PAIRING SUGGESTIONS: Fresh seafood: smoked salmon: white meats

