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CHAMPAGNE BOLLINGER

La Grande Année w/ Gift Box 2014

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The 2014 La Grande Année is stunning. In fact, it is one of the best recent editions I can remember tasting. What comes through most is the wine's sizzling energy and tension, qualities that aren't often associated with Bollinger, where the Champagnes tend to show more breadth and volume. In 2014, readers will find a Grande Année built on linear intensity and drive.

The 2014 is a blend taken from 19 villages, 61% Pinot Noir and 39% Chardonnay instead of the more typical 70/30 mix. For the second time in two decades (the first was 2007), Verzenay takes the lead in the Pinots over Aÿ, more or less an inverse from the norm. Verzenay, a north-facing village in the Montagne de Reims that saw less rain than Aÿ and most of the Vallée de la Marne, yields Pinots of energy more than volume. That, married with Chardonnays mostly from the Côtes des Blancs (predominantly Chouilly, Vertus, Oiry and Cramant), results in a truly magical Grande Année that will delight Champagne fans for several decades. I can't recommend the 2014 highly enough. It's a total knock-out. Disgorged: April, 2021. Dosage: 8 grams per liter.

- Antonio Galloni, March 2022

About Vinous

Vinous is our vision of a modern-day wine media platform that places consumers inside the conversation and encourages them to form their own opinions. Vinous brings together professional reviews, the stories behind the wines and the perspectives of our readers in over 55 countries using multimedia and leading edge technology. We visit hundreds of wineries each year, allowing us to offer unparalleled, first-hand insight into the world of wine. Since launching in May 2013, Vinous has become one of the fastest growing wine content websites in the world. Regular features include comprehensive reviews of new releases from the world's major wine regions, vertical tastings and retrospectives, in-depth videos shot on location, Vinous Favorites - our top picks under \$25, Cellar Favorites - which features older wines, and Vinous Table, where we profile our top eating and drinking destinations. In November 2014, Vinous announced its acquisition of Stephen Tanzer's International Wine Cellar. Please also see the Frequently Asked Questions.



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