

Barnaut Gr Cru Blanc de Noirs

THE FACTS

COUNTRY: France
REGION: Champagne
APPELLATION: Bouzy
CEPAGE: 100% Pinot Noir
ALCOHOL BY VOLUME: 0.0%
AGING: Avg 4 years on the lees
ANNUAL PRODUCTION: 1,650cs

THE STORY

Edmond Barnaut was one of the first pioneers in Champagne to create his own brand outside of the controlling centers-of-power of Epernay and Reims. In 1874 he set up shop in Bouzy, where he owned vines and where he married Appoline Godmé- Barancourt, heir to additional vineyards in the village. Cellars were dug as deep as 15 meters underground, and the first cuvee, made of two-thirds Pinot Noir and one-third Chardonnay, was launched. That wine is still made today under the Grande Réserve label, with its reserve wine coming from a perpetual cuvée begun by Edmond himself and maintained through five generations of Barnaut descendants.

THE ADJECTIVES

OVERALL: Beautiful & Resonant
AROMAS / FLAVORS: Red fruits, floral herbs, brioche
MOUTHFEEL: Textural & Full

THE SELLING POINTS

AWARDS: 93pts Vinous

