

DELAMAIN COGNAC, COGNAC, FRANCE

PALE & DRY X.O Centenaire

DETAILS OF PRODUCTION

In 1920, Jacques and Robert Delamain created a groundbreakingly elegant and light cognac which has come to embody the Delamain house style. A timeless classic premised on purity, excellence and a respect for nature. To celebrate Pale & Dry's centenary, Delamain wanted to celebrate not only the creation, but also the creators and their vision; to further the Pale & Dry mission of achieving the purest expression of the noble terroir of Grande Champagne. Delamain's new interpretation of the blend enhances Pale & Dry's defining characteristics, building on its central vision of natural purity, whilst remaining faithful to its original sensory heritage.

BLENDING & AGEING

Pale & Dry Centenaire is created from eaux-de-vie sourced from vines cultivated in the Grande Champagne sub-region of Cognac, including eaux-de-vie from vineyards cultivated by Delamain in the hamlet of Bellevigne. The blended eaux-de-vie is then aged in old oak casks in their semi-underground cellar where levels of damp and humidity provide the ideal conditions to naturally reduce over time. Final reduction is limited to 42% using the progressive addition of "les faibles" (weak eaux-de-vie at 15% vol) to intensify natural sweetness and aromatic profile. No sweeteners or colouring is used, consequently a slight natural colour variation may be noticeable from one blend to the next, reflecting craft and purity.

TASTING NOTES

The bouquet is intense with richly fragrant fruity notes of ripe apricot and citrus followed by vanilla "rancio". On the palate, Pale & Dry Centenaire is light and delicate developing into fruit with a delectable powdery dry finish. Pale & Dry Centenaire is packaged in a new 50cl format; it is visually distinctive, exemplifying a less is more experience.

"THE FRONT PALATE IS LIGHT, NATURALLY SWEET, INTENSE FLAVOURS OF APRICOT, DRIED FRUITS, TINGLY ON THE TONGUE AND THEN FINISHES WITH A LOVELY DRY, SMOOTH, LONG LENGTH."

PETER DEAN, THE BUYER, OCTOBER 2020

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Delamain
COGNAC

CASK
Limousin Oak

AGE
XO

TERROIR
Grande Champagne

ALCOHOL
42%

