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LE BLANC DE BLANCS A/18



DETAILS OF PRODUCTION

As the most featured grape variety in Champagne AYALA's blends and the foundation of the pure and balanced style of the Maison, Chardonnay is the essence of the brand ambition embodying the excellence and expertise of this grape variety in Champagne. Therefore, Maison AYALA makes Le Blanc de Blancs its signature champagne and introduces A/18, a unique expression of this cuvée.

This new 100% Chardonnay blend from the Grands and Premiers Crus captures the purity of chalk from both the Côte des Blancs and the Montagne de Reims, from the 2018 vintage. This first vintage edition of A/18 will be followed by new expressions that will continue to explore the diversity of Champagne's Chardonnay Terroirs. Champagne AYALA will craft new editions, ringing together complementary Terroirs that tell a new story, from one edition to the next.

TASTING NOTES

The 2018 viticultural year: A rainy winter and a mild spring were followed by a dry, sunny summer, heralding optimal conditions for an early harvest. This meant that grapes were plentiful and in near-perfect condition, particularly the Chardonnays. Despite a warm year, the region's finest Terroirs showed themselves at their very best, thanks to the cool clay sub-soils in the Champagne region. Bright, very fine and dynamic bubbles. On the nose, great elegance with notes of pear, grapefruit, jasmine and honey. The palate, forthright and open, notes of blood orange and pastry. Vivacity, beautiful bitter notes and chalky minerality.

HOW TO SERVE

Elegant, simple cuisine focussed around quality ingredients without adornment, echoing the outstanding purity of this wine. Its vivacious character makes it an excellent aperitif, but it would also go exceptionally well with starters or fish dishes such as scallop carpaccio, citrusy seabass tartare, or oysters.

VINTAGE 2018
STYLE Champagne
BLEND OF GRAPES 100% Chardonnay
WINEMAKER Julian Gout
ALCOHOL 12%
RESIDUAL SUGAR 5g/l

