

# PRESTIGE CHARLES GARDET ROSÉ DE SAIGNÉE

Very singular cuvée to our House, this "saignée" is coming from Premier Cru vines of Chigny-les-Roses. For this vintage 2013, it will notably express itself by its strength in red fruit notes.



## Grapes & Origin

🛉 Pinot Noir - 50%

Meunier - 50%

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### Saignée

Maceration of the Pinots Noirs and Meuniers together in concrete tanks together (24 to 48 hours) Racking of the coloured juice, called "saignée"

## Fermentations & Ageing

In stainless-steel tanks

Alcoholic fermentation, malolactic fermentation, Matured for 4 months

+ Bottle-aged on lees for at least 6 years

+ minimum 3 months after disgorgement before shipping

### Dosage Brut: 6 g/L

Made from a liquor and cane sugar

# The Vintage

Weather Cold winter and spring; unusually cool temperatures until the end of June; hot and sunny summer, with occasional thunderstorms; cool and humid in September.
Harvest Start: Late. Around October 1<sup>st</sup> in the Montagne de Reims. Conditions: October is here, mild at the beginning then becoming colder. Characteristics: Nice fruits resulting from a slow maturation.
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# <u>Tasting</u>

Optimal serving temperature: 8 to 10°C (46 to 50°F)

Colour Deep pink with redcurrant glows.

*Nose* The nose opens with aromas of bitter orange, nuanced by gourmet notes reminiscent of pastry (frangipane, hazelnut, a light buttery touch). Notes of Amaretto and strawberry jam complete this harmonious ensemble.

**Taste** The attack is fresh, never overwhelming the palate. The structure is well-defined, supported by delicately powdered tannins. The jammy flavours of morello cherries and strawberries persist, while citrus notes, notably kumquat, add a touch of exoticism. Beautiful length on the palate.

#### Fine cuisine pairings

Duck with lingonberries, Roast veal with blood orange jus. Served with aged gouda. For a sweet note, a tart with dark bitter chocolate ganache and raspberries, the classic strawberry tart, a panna cotta with red berry coulis, or some little financiers.

### Bottling data

Bottling date: 16 January 2014 Container types: bottles (2977 bottles) Initial closure : crown cap

### Shipping & cellaring

Final cork (after disgorgement) : Diam technology cork Post-shipment cellaring : Ready to drink, can be kept in cellar conditions for up to 3 years.

