

# Champagne Taittinger Nocturn Sec NV NV



## Region

Champagne is north-east France and widely recognised for its prestigious sparkling wine made by traditional method. The vineyards of Champagne are planted in three distinct areas south of the city of Reims. The `Montagne de Reims` is predominately Pinot Noir, the backbone to the Champagne blend, whilst in the south `Cote des Blancs` has chalky slopes best suited to Chardonnay, and Pinot Meunier dominates the `Vallee de la Marne`. The secret of Champagne is in the blend, with choice of variety and vineyards to achieve the `house style`. Champagne produces a range of styles depending on varieties used and ageing which determine the character of the wine.

## Producer

One of the few remaining family owned `Grande Marque` Champagne houses, Taittinger has been a benchmark for elegance and consistency since the firm was established in 1743. The house owns nearly 600 acres of the finest vineyards in the region, making it one of the largest growers as well as a highly regarded producer. Nearly 40% of their holdings are planted with Chardonnay (collectively only 27% of Champagne is planted with Chardonnay) so the blend has an unusually high percentage of this noble grape. This gives this champagne its elegance and wonderful style. Recently awarded Sparkling Winemaker of the Year at the International Wine Challenge.

## Technical Information

<b>Country</b>	France
<b>Region</b>	Champagne
<b>Grape(s)</b>	Pinot Meunier (45%) Pinot Noir (35%) Chardonnay (20%)
<b>Type</b>	Sparkling
<b>Style</b>	Fizz
<b>Oaked Style</b>	Unoaked
<b>Body Style</b>	Medium bodied
<b>Sustainable</b>	No

<b>Dry/Sweet Style</b>	Bone dry	
<b>Alcohol Content</b>	12.5%	
<b>Closure Style</b>	Cork	
<b>Organic/Biodynamic</b>	No	
<b>Allergens</b>	<b>Milk:</b>	No
	<b>Egg:</b>	No
<b>Vegetarian/Vegan</b>	<b>Vegetarian:</b>	Yes
	<b>Vegan:</b>	Yes



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