

THORMAN HUNT

EST. WINE SHIPPERS 1978

Roland Champion, Chouilly

Grand Eclat Vintage Grand Cru 2015



Grower

The Champion family have been growing grapes in Chouilly since the 18th century and today the estate is run by Francois and two of his daughters, Carole in charge of all the administration, and Clemence is the wine maker. Until recently most of their juice has been sold to the big houses but they intend to keep more for sale under their own label. All their champagnes have extremely low dosage and are fine, minerally and delicate.

Vineyards

They have 18 hectares, 70% is Chardonnay from Chouilly Grand Cru, on limestone soils and subsoils. The remaining consists of 22% Pinot Meunier and 8% Pinot Noir in the Marne (Verneuil and Vandière), on clay-limestone soil.

Vinification

Made exclusively of Chouilly Grand Cru Chardonnay from the 2015 harvest. Champion believe that prestigious Champagnes, in particular those made out of Chardonnay, need much more time to express and open themselves, so this cuvee has had 6 years on lees before disgorgement.

Style

Elegance and finesse. A complex nose, with aromas dominated by brioche, honey, dried fruits and hazelnuts.

Grape varieties:

100% Chardonnay

Dosage: 2g/L

Bottling options: 75cl

Closure: cork

