

CHAMPAGNE LABBÉ & FILS Blanc de Blancs Extra Brut



Damien and Jérôme Labbe come from a long line of grape growers, and more recently winemakers. The house, located in the village of Chamery in the Montagne de Reims, started making champagne at the end of the 20th century. For generations the family simply grew grapes in their small plot in their small village and sold them after each harvest. As the land and region slowly transitioned from agricultural farming to grape growing the family began to acquire more plots and eventually formed a local co-op. At this point the brothers' great grandfather, Maurice Bonet, was the head of the house and was also a founding member of the CRVC (Cooperative Regional Wines of Champagne). Maurice had

just one daughter, Jeannine, who married Michel Labbe. Together they formed Champagne Labbe.

Labbe & Fils now consists of 10ha of vines spread over 40 plots in 4 different villages. All of the plots are very close to the house, the furthest is only 5km away. This proximity does not mean homogeneity, in fact quite the opposite with each village having dramatically different exposures, soil types and personality. Ecueil is mostly sandy with silt and limestone, Sermiers is clay with limestone and Villers aux Nodes is more silty limestone. Their home village of Chamery is rather balanced but more and more calcareous as you go up the hills.

LOCATION Chamery ECHELLE DE CRU Premier Cru 90% FOUNDED 1975 VINEYARDS OWNED 10 ha STATUS RM WINEMAKER Jerome Labbé WINEMAKING Practicing Biodynamic TOTAL PRODUCTION 60,00 bottles/year

WINE NOTES

VINTAGE 2018 BLEND 100% Chardonnay DOSAGE 5 g/l LEES AGEING 3 years VINEYARDS Les Pitance in Damery SOILS Clay and Calcareous Limestone