

# La Grande Année Rosé 2018

## Vibrant and Elegant

### Winemaking

**Blend of the 2018 Vintage:** 67% Pinot Noir, 33% Chardonnay.

**19 Crus:** predominantly Verzenay, Aÿ and Mareuil sur Aÿ for Pinot Noir; and Chouilly and Cuis for Chardonnay.

5% red wine from the Côte aux Enfants.

Made exclusively from the cuvée.

Fermented entirely in oak barrels.

Champagne Bollinger only produces vintage wines during the finest years. At Bollinger, the 2018 harvest led to the creation of a vibrant and elegant wine.

**Ageing:** Cellar aged under natural cork for twice as long as stipulated by the rules of the Appellation.

**Dosage:** Moderate, 7 grams per litre.

The delicate blending process behind a great champagne  
and a unique red wine.

### Sensations

**Appearance:** Delicate rose in colour, with flashes of salmon pink.

**On the nose:** Little by little, the wine reveals layers of complexity, successively imparting notes of strawberry and redcurrant subtly blended with citrus and vine peach. An initial touch of menthol brings vibrant freshness.

**On the palate:** The palate is full of the crunch of red berry fruit and a lingering juiciness that evolves into an expressive finish underpinned with notes of citrus peel and blood orange.

### Food Pairings

Beef fillet carpaccio, black olive oil, red basil, goji berries, pepper and pink salt.

Grilled lobster tail, Cognac flambée, red rice with black garlic.

Supreme of duck with blood orange and blood orange zest, Pont Neuf of sweet potato with Espilette pepper.

Truffle-stuffed Époisse, aged Mimolette.

Figs roasted with honey and pink pepper; blackberry and blackcurrant marmalade.

### Recommendations

Elegant with exquisite depth, La Grande Année Rosé 2018 enhances the most elevated fine-dining experiences with perfectly balanced pairings. To highlight its characteristic style, bouquet, and aromas, we suggest you serve it between 10 and 12°C. You can enjoy the La Grande Année Rosé 2018 right away, or continue to age it in your cellar.

### History

La Grande Année Rosé is another expression of La Grande Année, enhanced by the addition of an iconic red wine from the La Côte aux Enfants vineyard. This legendary Aÿ parcel is owned entirely by Champagne Bollinger; and is only vinified into a red wine during years when the grapes reach optimum ripeness. After vinification in small old oak barrels and long lees ageing, every bottle of La Grande Année Rosé is still riddled and disgorged by hand. In this way, it reflects all the expertise and savoir-faire of a Maison capable of creating a cuvée whose quality is matched only by its purity.

