



## Blanc de Noirs

MÉTHODE CHAMPENOISE

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Founded in 1984, Gruet Winery specializes in Méthode Champenoise sparkling wines. Family owned and run, the New Mexico-based winery produces Pinot Noir and Chardonnay-based sparkling wines and a small collection of still wines, with roots originating from Gilbert Gruet's Champagne house in Bethon, France.

## WINEMAKING

French for "white of black," Blanc de Noirs describes a sparkling wine made from Pinot Noir grapes that are gently pressed and its juice runs off the skins. Our Blanc de Noirs NV was first released in 1990. Following the success of our Brut release, we wanted to add a non vintage wine using Pinot Noir, similar to the classic blends of NV Champagnes.

## TASTING NOTE

Pale salmon in color, this full-bodied wine has a fine mousse and a creamy, rich texture. Complex aromas and flavors of raspberry, baked pear and cherry are complemented by a hint of toasted vanilla. The balance of fruit, minerals and crisp acidity lead to a round mouthfeel and lasting finish.

VINTAGE NV

## VARIETY BLEND

75% Pinot Noir 25% Chardonnay

AVA American

pH ACIDITY 3.12 70 PPM

ALC RS 12% 0.8% g/L

FINING Sterile Pads

FILTERING
Diatomaceous Earth

**AGING** 

Aged en Tirage for a minimum of 18 months

PROUDLY PRODUCED IN NEW MEXICO