



### WINTER 2021

Enter the world of Champagne MAILLY GRAND CRU

- Nuanced complexity of a great terroir
- A unique collection of still wines
- Our Blanc de Pinot Noir









#### CHAMPAGNE MAILLY GRAND CRU

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# THE 35 LIEUX-DITS OF MAILLY

Our vineyard estate extends across 35 lieux-dits faced **north**, **east**, **south and west**.

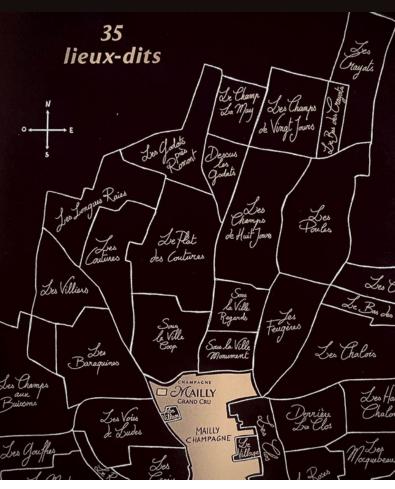
The 35 lieux-dits of Mailly Champagne together make up an extraordinary tapestry of terroir - a rich pallet of expression, colours and aromas that nourish the creative genius of our Cellar Master.

All our grapes, from Les Crayats, Les Côtes, Les Chalois, Les Champs de 8 Jours and many more are **picked and fermented separetely** in tanks or barrels.

This emphasis on single-vineyard cuvees provides the Cellar Master with **a range of exceptional still wines** that hold the key to successful blending.







# COMPOSITION PARCELLAIRE

Working on the blending (making our "composition") is the continuation of the work in the vines: the aim is to bring together the single identity of all still wines coming from each separate 35 lieux-dits.

"Composition" allows to bring enough complexity in our Champagnes so that they can be understood in various ways.

If we draw a parallel with music:

A musical note (one plot) has an interest in its own right. When writing music notes on the staff, we look for harmony.

We can choose to focus on the musical note for what it is through single parcel vinification.

We can also have an interest in the final composition, without evoking the notes that it includes.

In favour of a middle way, we decided to **highlight the** work of composition and to help the taster to understand the music notes on the staff and the alchemy of it.



# AN EXCEPTIONAL PALETTE

Wines from more than 10 distinct vintages are carefully matured in our winery.

This **unique collection of still wines** expresses the significant variations between harvests. Therefore, they are stored in various containers:

- Thermo-regulated stainless steel vats
- Concrete tanks
- Burgundy barrels (228 l)
- 50 hl oak vats named "foudres"

Reserve wines are extraordinarly aromatic and complex providing an invaluable complement to the wines of the year. It offers regularity and balance for our non-vintage Champagnes.

### ENDLESS VARIATIONS

This extensive collection is at the Chef de Cave's disposal to use as required when blending.

Reserve wines are Mailly's **particular forte**. It represents a wide variety of aromas and taste.

Reserve wines are more often aged separately per vintage and per grape variety.

Here as well, **dedicated plots are singled out** in various tanks and casks.

Our Chef de Cave also takes advantage of the **Solera process** we have developped over the years. Also called "Méthode perpétuelle". The volume of reserve wines withdrawn for blending is replaced every year by wines from the most recent harvest.

In our quest for harmony in our Champagnes, the possibilities offered are multiple and **the variations** are endless.





### MAILLY'S SIGNATURE CUVEE

Since it was first released more than 30 years ago, Mailly Blanc de Pinot Noir has become a benchmark in its category.

It stands apart among single-vineyard cuvees, created with consumate precision to offer the ultimate expression of its Grand Cru terroir.

Crafted with meticulous attention to detail, it results from a subtle harmony between an extraordinary tapestry of terroir from the latest harvest and a rich pallet of expression from our reserve wines.

It strikes a perfect balance between crispness and softness, subtle hints of citrus offset by plush aromas of roasted tropical fruit and sun-ripened wheat. The palate exhibits a tempered liveliness - fleshy fruit punctuated by the zing of citrus. Balance and spicy structure persist through a chiselled, slineinfused finish.

This wine showcases the greatness of Mailly Champagne Pinot Noir grapes year after vear.







### THE KEYS TO UNDERSTANDING WINE

Useful information, on the back label, linking the origin of the grapes and choices of winemaking help understanding the wine.

Here, selected named-plots within the estate's 35 **lieux-dits** coming from the base year 2016. Mainly facing north and west on chalk subsoil to give the Pinot Noir its singular freshness and elegant structure.

A high percentage of Reserve Wines (33,7%) are used in the blend. Mostly aged in vats (Solera system since 2014).

