

# ALBURY ESTATE CLASSIC CUVÉE 2016

**Grape Variety:** Pinot Noir (68.4%), Pinot Meunier (26.8%),

Chardonnay (4.8%)

**Harvest:** Only 3,093 bottles were produced from the 2016 vintage

**Vinification:** Organic Winemaking Practices (Certified Organic)

Maturation: Bottled in March 2017, matured on the lees for 19 months

### **Technical Information**

Alcohol 11.63% vol.
Total Acidity 9.8 g/l
Residual Sugar 6.8 g/l
Free Sulphur Dioxide 18 mg/l
Total Sulphur Dioxide 88 mg/l

### Vineyard

Location: Albury, Silent Pool, Surrey, England

**History:** Planted 2009/10, 13 acres, 21,000 vines, clay on chalk Situated in the Surrey Hills AONB on the south face of the North Downs **Viticulture**: All the grapes are hand-picked from a single vineyard **Organic/Biodynamic**: The vines are certified Organic and Biodynamic

## **Tasting Notes & Food Match**

This classic cuvée has all the hallmarks of a fine sparkling wine. The subtle fruit on the nose, predominately red berries from the Pinot and a little light citrus from the Chardonnay, and a hint of peach, is backed up by a really long, mouth-filling palate that lingers and satisfies. Fresh and lively, ripe acidity is complimented by a subtle sweetness.

Ideal as an aperitif, with canapés. Serve with smoked salmon, fish and seafood, especially lobster, trout or crayfish. Also excellent with mushroom risotto, light chicken dishes and sushi as well as local English hard cheeses.

#### **Awards**

Gold – International Organic Wine Awards 2018 (2015 vintage)

Silver – The Sommelier Awards (2014 v), Decanter (2013 v), IWC (2013 v)

### **Other Points of Interest**

Albury Estate is the Surrey home of the Duke of Northumberland and is situated in an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. Our still rosé wine was served on the Royal Barge as part of the Queens Diamond Jubilee celebrations. Albury Estate sparkling wines have won international wine awards are currently featured on the wine lists of several Michelin starred establishments including Tom Kerridge's The Hand and Flowers, The Black Swan at Oldstead, The Clock House in Ripley, and Chez Bruce in Wandsworth. Albury Vineyard was voted Best Drink Product in the 2018 Surrey Life Food & Drink Awards.

