

# Engelse Bubbels 19/12/2024

Bart & Maarten



# Wie was er eerst?



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# What is the size vs the price?

- ▶ 2000: 950 ha wijnbouw
- ► 2012: 1.438 ha wijnbouw
- ► 2024: 3.800 ha wijnbouw
- X4 sinds 2000 en 65% zijn English bubbles!

REDEN?



# 1) English Sparkling wine vs Champagne

- Blindproeverijen Engeland verschillende keren gewonnen
- Nyetimber Fizz eerste maal in 2010
- 2015: Decanter World Wine Awards 130 medailles
- 2016: zeer grote aanwezigheid op Prowein

### Sparkling performance: British fizzy wine beats world's top champagnemakers to be named best bubbly on the planet

By DAILY MAIL REPORTER UPDATED: 22:02 GMT, 28 January 2010















One is revered around the world as one of the finest Champagnes and has a grand history dating back centuries.

The other is a little-known relative newcomer from West Sussex.

But a British vineyard was popping corks today after beating top makers such as Bollinger to be crowned the world's best sparkling wine.

Experts have hailed Nyetimber's Classic Cuvée 2003, made in Sussex, as the best bubbly on the planet.



Top prize: Nyetimber's Classic Cuvée beat rivals costing ten times as much in a blind taste test

The fizzy wine costs just £25 a bottle but beat rivals costing more than ten times as much in a blind taste test at the World Sparkling Wine Championships in Verona.

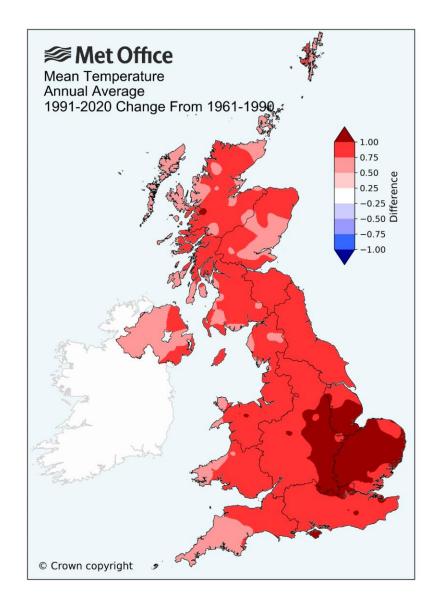
It is the first time a British bubbly has won the top international honour to be officially hailed as the world's best sparkling wine.

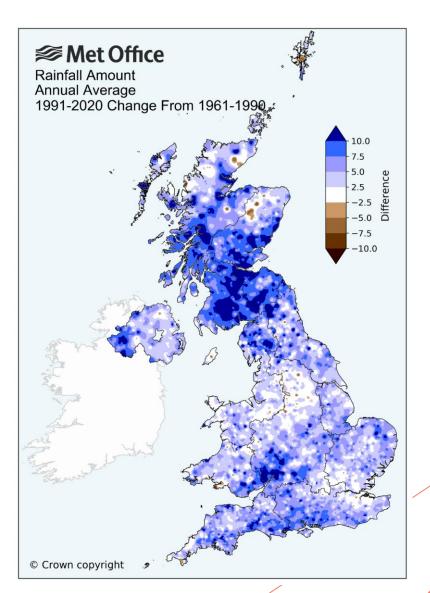
The drink - made from Chardonnay, Pinot Noir and Pinot Meunier grapes - has 'aromas of mandarins, vanilla and lemons' as well as 'shortbread and light apricot' with 'biscuity

# 2) Klimaat

- Champagne en Zuid-Engeland zelfde klimaat als 30j geleden
- ► Koel klimaat en regen
- Regen voornamelijk in Schotland, Zuid-Engelse kust vrij droog
- Ondanks alles toch groot risico schimmels, rot, etc.

# 2) Klimaat





# 3) Bodem

- Krijt = type kalksteen dat zeer puur is
- Zuid-Engeland & Champagne zo goed als gelijk qua bodem (kalkplaat)
- Nyetimber = krijt & greensand (groene kalksteen, goede drainage)
- Krijtbodem = spons: ze kunnen water vast houden en het door de bodem laten bewegen.





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# SUSSEX

Zuidoostelijke hoek, nabij het Engelse kanaal

 Meest zonnige en minste regen van heel UK

West & East Sussex

► Kalk en leisteen

Bacchus, Chardonnay, Pinot Noir en Pinot Meunier

Smaak is kalkrijk, vuursteen en mineraal



# **KENT**

- Oosten van Essex
- Iconische witte kliffen Dover
- Veel boomgaarden
- Kalk en leisteen
- Bacchus, Chardonnay, Pinot Noir en Ortega
- Smaak is mineraal, appel, peer, vlierbloesem
- Sinds 2015 Taittinger land gekocht in Kent



# **SURREY**

 Ook hier kalkrijke bodems die bestaan uit resten oude mariene fossielen

Eén van de grootste producenten: Denbies Vineyard

Partnership Pommery & Hattingley Valley



## Druivenrassen

- ▶ 1.100 ha Chardonnay & Pinot Noir
- ▶ 300 ha Pinot Meunier
- Bacchus 'signature grape' van Engeland.
   Vroeg rijp, aromatisch en weinig zuren.
   = Kruising Riesling/Silvaner/Müller-Thurgau
- ▶ 65% bubbels, 19% witte wijn, 16% rode wijn
- ► Toch veel lagere opbrengsten vs Champagne: Max 8 ton/jaar vs 14-16 ton/jaar

# ENGLAND

### **TOP VARIETIES**

- Pinot Nair
- Chardonnay
- Bacchus
- Reichensteiner
- Seyval Blanc
- Pinot Meunier

### **AREA UNDER VINE**

3,550 acres 1,438 hectares (2012)



# Wijn 1 Denbies Bacchus



### History

Denbies Wine Estate is England's largest vineyard and one of the largest privately owned in Northern Europe. The current owners acquired the Estate in 1985. The Estate now comprises 627 acres, with 265 acres under vine. Winemaker - John Worontschak at Denbies Wine Estate.

### Regional Information

Situated on the perfectly suited North Downs close to Dorking, the vineyards of Denbies Wine Estate showcase the ideal geological features benefiting the site. Based on chalky, south-facing slopes, the vineyard sits in a protected valley, allowing for optimum heat and sunshine exposure. The vineyards are dry farmed (un-irrigated) and low yielding (around 15HL/Ha).

# Wijn 1 Denbies Bacchus



ABV (%)

12.5

**Grape Variety** 

100% Bacchus

### **Tasting Notes**

Fresh and elegant, this sparkling wine is brimming with classic Bacchus character with a traditionally fermented twist. The nose is alive with elderflower, which leads to a palate of ripe stone fruits. Finishing with a generous andpersistent mousse, this wine pairs with goat's cheese souffle or simply as an aperitif.

Pale straw green in colour with an elegant and persistent mousse the 2019

Denbies Sparkling Bacchus is bursting with fresh honeysuckle, red fruits and rose petal on the nose. The palate is lean and crisp with a zingy citrus fruit acidity culminating in a long and creamy finish. Perfect on it own as an aperitif or with air dried ham, mild cheeses or even with white asparagus.

# Wijn 2 Denbies Whitedowns Brut



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# Wijn 2 Denbies Whitedowns Brut



ABV (%)

12

Units

9

### **Grape Variety**

Reichensteiner, Seyval blanc and Pinot Noir

### **Tasting Notes**

This wine offers generous fresh citrus aromas with just a hint of toasty brioche. The palate is crisp, dry and refreshing thanks to its finely balanced acidity. It has an enticing creamy texture and a persistent length of flavour.

Think summer, green meadows, buttercups and daisies – this is delightful everyday summer drinking fizz at its best. This is a reason to spoil yourself without any excuse at all!

### Vinification Details

Whole berry pressed, only the very best of the juice is kept to make this sparkling wine. The wine was bottled for the secondary fermentation with a further 3 years of aging in our cellars before the wine was disgorged.

# Wijn 3 Chapel Down Classic Brut



### History

Chapel Down are England's leading winemaker with a mission to change the way the world thinks about English wine. Based in the Garden of England, their world class winemaking team produce award-winning sparkling wines of exceptional quality. Fresh and crisp, we invite you to raise a glass of England's finest.

### Regional Information

The fruit is sourced from vineyards in Kent, Essex, East Sussex and Dorset with varied soils including chalk, clay and loam soils.

# Wijn 3 Chapel Down Classic Brut



ABV (%)

12

Units

9.0

### **Grape Variety**

Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Pinot Meunier, Pinot Blanc

### **Tasting Notes**

Is a crisp, fresh and elegant English sparkling wine with notes of apple, citrus and strawberry

Chapel Down makes world-class wines from grapes grown in the South East of England where the geology and climate combine to provide the perfect terroir for sparkling wines.

Chapel Down Brut is a classic example of quality English sparkling wine with aromas of red apple, citrus fruits and freshly baked bread together with hints of strawberry and quince on the palate and fine persistent bubbles.

Josh Donaghay-Spire

Head Winemaker

Wine of England, Official Sparkling Wine of The Boat Race 2019, English Quality Sparkling Wine

# Wijn 4 Nutty Blush Pinot Noir 2018



Vines were first planted at Nutbourne in 1979 as an early part of the new era of wine grape growing in this country.

Since 1991 the Nutbourne estate has been owned, managed and expanded by the Gladwin family.

It is now considered one of the finest boutique wine producers in the South East, offering a range of estate grown still and sparkling wines which can compete anywhere in the world.

The "terroir" at Nutbourne is a unique and ideal wine growing environment – a warm microclimate protected by the South Downs, gentle south-facing slopes and the same fertile green sand soil as much of the Champagne region in France.

There are 26 acres under vine, with three different trellising systems in use across the estate – Guyot, Scott Henry and Geneva Double Curtain. The vineyards are tended throughout the year, pruned by hand through the winter and then carefully trained, trimmed and nurtured during the summer months.

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# Nutbourne











# Wijn 4 Nutty Blush Pinot Noir 2018



This limited edition sensational 100%
Pinot Noir Sparkling Rose is a complex
dry rose wine with full fruit, delicate
mousse and delightful colour. Available
in 750ml and magnum format. Each
magnum is presented in an individual
gift box.

# Wijn 5 Hambledon Classic Cuvée Rosé



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In 2005 a 10-acre 'test bed' of Chardonnay, Pinot Noir and Pinot Meunier was planted on a combination of 27 different vine clones and rootstocks to see which gave the best results.

Hambledon now comprises over 200 acres of vineyards and the only gravityfed, state-of-the-art winery in the UK.

In 2011 Hervé Jestin, one of Champagne's leading chefs de cave and renowned expert in minimal-intervention winemaking, joined Hambledon and now directs all winemaking at the Estate alongside Felix Gabillet.

# Wijn 5 Hambledon Classic Cuvée Rosé



### Tasting notes:

A beautiful, vivid wild-strawberry pink with a hue of red onion skin on the rim.

On the nose, magnolia blossom is followed stridently by perfumed wildstrawberry compote with hints of buttered white sourdough toast.

The palate is rich and mouth filling with flavours of strawberry balanced by zingy tart cranberry and pithy Amalfi lemon notes. The texture is creamy with a clean, crisp, yeasty finish.

### How to serve:

Great as an aperitif but also a good companion to salmon fillet and desserts made with summer fruits and berries.

Best served between 10 and 12°C.

### Blend of grapes:

90% Chardonnay 10% Pinot Noir

Dosage 10 g/l Alcohol 12%

# Wijn 6 Nutty Vintage Brut 2018



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# Wijn 6 Nutty Vintage Brut 2018



Our Classic Method sparkling wine made with Pinot Noir, Chardonnay and Pinot Blanc.

Beautifully balanced and white gold in colour, it has a natural richness and floral bouquet. A portion of this wine is matured in oak barrels then it is aged for 36 months in our underground cave before hand disgorge and finishing.

Nutty Vintage can compete with any sparkling wine in the world. Great for lavish entertaining and special celebrations, it is a lovely aperitif to pair with canapés, oysters, smoked salmon and quail eggs. It is also a treat to cut the sweetness of rich chocolatey desserts.

GOLD medal winner at WineGB Awards 2022

The art: Just as Nutbourne wines are only made from grapes grown on the estate, every bottle features Bridget Gladwin's paintings. This artwork is of the vine in Winter – old intertwined wood, resting after producing the wine, which is gently maturing in the cave.

# Wijn 7 NYE Timber



### History

The Nyetimber estate has a number of landmarks in its history. Its earliest beginnings saw it recorded in the Domesday Book in 1086. Then there was the planting of the first vines, almost 900years later. For 30years Nyetimber has had a single aim: to make the finest English sparkling wine to rival the best in the world, including Champagne. A true pioneer, Nyetimber was the first to craft English sparkling wines exclusively from the three celebrated grape varieties: Pinot Noir, Pinot Meunier & Chardonnay

### Regional Information

Nyetimber owns one hundred percent of our vineyards and all of our wines are produced from the 220 hectares we have planted at the best sites in West Sussex, Hampshire and Kent. Each Vineyard was deliberately selected to be south-facing with either sandy or chalk soils. All are located in sheltered positions affording them protection from the coastal winds. Prior to harvest, the grapes are tasted to ensure the best flavour development before picking and every grape is picked by hand at the optimal time.

# Wijn 7 NYE Timber



ABV (%)

12

Units

9

### **Grape Variety**

Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Pinot Meunier

### **Tasting Notes**

Pale gold. Gentle, fine bubbles. Toasty, spicy & complex aromas developed from extended ageing in our cellar (average 36 months). The palate -equally complex with honey, almond, pastry & baked apple. Fine & elegant, combining intensity, delicacy & length.

### Vinification Details

Each vineyard parcel is treated uniquely, from picking to gently pressing to vinification in separate tanks. Such attention to detail allows for a wonderful diversity of base wines when blending decisions are made in the spring following the harvest. All wines are crafted according to the strict rules of the traditional method, aged for extended periods of time on the lees and given sufficient post-disgorgement time before release.

# Wijn 8 Hambledon Première Cuvée



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Confit lemon, orange blossom and white lily exude on the nose, nestling amongst ripe apricot, white peach and baked red apple. The palate intensifies, evolving into tarte Tatin, almond croissant and a dusting of crumble, yet maintaining a precise structure, creamy texture and mouthwatering acidity. The finish develops a mineral, chalky quality, nodding to our Hampshire terroir, and the svelte mousse remains persistent and elegant. Incredibly complex and immensely enjoyable.

Blend: 67% Chardonnay, 11% Pinot Noir and 22% Meunier from 2014 harvest with reserve wine aged in tank and barrels.

Ageing: almost 6 years on the lees.

Winemaker's advice: Ready to drink now or can be cellared up to 10 years in optimum storage conditions.

Dosage: 2.5g/l

# "That's all Folks!"