



WISTON ESTATE BLANC DE NOIRS 2018

A rich and indulgent example of an excellent vintage

VINTAGE. 2018

BOTTLING. 2019

BLEND. 100% Pinot Noir

DOSAGE. 7.0 g/L

ABV. 12%

TASTING NOTE Aromas and flavours of baked pear, greengage, rich buttery croissants, vanilla bean and toasted almonds. Electric acidity, with a savoury mineral core and long finish.

FOOD MATCH Wild Mushroom Risotto, Roast Guinea Fowl, Celeriac Gratin.

AWARDS / SCORES

96 Points 'Hidden Gem' - Wine Enthusiast, Sept 2025

95 Points 'Outstanding' - Decanter, July 2025

WINEMAKING

From the 2018 harvest, which has gone down in recent folklore of UK grape growing. A year when the stars aligned. A four-week window of exceptional weather around flowering helped create a bountiful crop (approx. 70% more than average) with exceptional level of ripeness. Who'd have bet on that in late February when we welcomed the Beast from the East?! The good weather persisted, through October, when the grapes were hand harvested in excellent condition. The whole bunches of Pinot Noir (solely sourced from our original vineyard) were gently pressed in the Coquard to preserve delicate fruit flavours and aromas. The juice was fermented 100% mature French barrels and stored on lees for nine months before bottling. The wine was then aged for 4-5 years on lees before disgorgement and ageing on cork.

100% fermentation in 2nd / 3rd use oak barrels sourced from Burgundy and Bordeaux. Then 5 years ageing on lees in bottle before disgorgement.

ABOUT WISTON ESTATE

Wiston Estate is a family venture, small in scale, impressive in aspiration and unrelenting in pursuit of quality. The estate has been in the hands of the Goring family since 1743 and is presided over today by Richard and Kirsty Goring. Richard's mother Pip, grew up in South Africa's winelands and it was her long-held conviction that the estate had the potential to grow high quality grapes, largely due to the South Downs' similarities of soil and climate to Champagne. The original 16-acre vineyard, planted in 2006, was the fruit of Pip's dream and tenacity. Today, under winemaker Marcus Rayner-Ward, the tight-knit team spares no effort in the vineyard or winery. The vineyards lie on a south-facing chalk escarpment and are planted with Chardonnay, Pinot Noir and Pinot Meunier. A natural sun-trap and protected from prevailing winds, the vines benefit from maximum sun exposure, promoting ripening.