

**KRUG**  
CHAMPAGNE

# KRUG GRANDE CUVÉE 167<sup>ÈME</sup> ÉDITION

THE 167<sup>TH</sup> EDITION OF THE FULLEST EXPRESSION OF CHAMPAGNE

## KRUG GRANDE CUVÉE: EVERY YEAR, A NEW EDITION OF THE FOUNDER'S DREAM

Krug Grande Cuvée is born from the dream of one man, Joseph Krug, to offer the very best Champagne every year, regardless of annual variations in climate. Since 1843, the House of Krug has honoured this vision with each new Édition of Krug Grande Cuvée: the fullest expression of Champagne.

## KRUG GRANDE CUVÉE 167<sup>ÈME</sup> ÉDITION IN ESSENCE:

- It is a blend of 191 wines from 13 different years, the youngest of which is from 2011, while the oldest dates back to 1995.
- Its final composition is 47% Pinot Noir, 36% Chardonnay and 17% Meunier.
- A stay of around seven years in Krug's cellars gives Krug Grande Cuvée 167<sup>ème</sup> Édition its distinct expression and elegance.

## THE STORY OF ITS CREATION:

- Krug Grande Cuvée 167<sup>ème</sup> Édition was composed around the harvest of 2011, an atypical year divided into two parts. High temperatures up until the beginning of May resulted in blossoms three weeks early, followed by cold, wet weather with low sun.
- The concern was that grapes might be overly mature but a three-day heat wave stopped the maturation, while subsequent rains refreshed them. The year's unusual weather made it the second earliest harvest since 1822. In the end, the grapes were healthy and of surprising structure. It was a year for beautifully balanced Pinot Noir.
- In all, reserve wines from the House's extensive library made up 42% of the final blend, bringing the breadth and roundness so essential to each Édition of Krug Grande Cuvée.

## KRUG GRANDE CUVÉE IS UNIQUE:

- Krug Grande Cuvée is the first and unique Prestige Champagne re-created every year, beyond the notion of vintage.
- The art of blending wines from so many different years gives Krug Grande Cuvée its unique fullness of flavours and aromas, impossible to express with the wines of just a single year.
- The Édition number corresponds to the number of times in the House of Krug the founder's dream has been re-created. It also serves as a reference for collectors, to enjoy it later.
- The full story of every Édition is revealed online via its Krug iD, the six digits on the back label.
- Krug Grande Cuvée, like all Krug Champagnes, will continue to gain with the passage of time.



## TASTING NOTES:

- A light golden colour and fine, vivacious bubbles, holding a promise of pleasure.
- Aromas of flowers in bloom, ripe, dried and citrus fruits, as well as marzipan and gingerbread.
- Flavours of hazelnut, nougat, barley sugar, jellied and citrus fruits, almonds, brioche and honey.

## FOOD & WINE PAIRING INSPIRATION:

- Krug Grande Cuvée 167<sup>ème</sup> Édition lends itself to a wealth of culinary combinations, from the simplest to the most sophisticated, from an aged parmesan to turbot *à la truffe*.
- It can be enjoyed as an aperitif with Jabugo ham and mature comté or served to accompany oysters, grilled shrimps, Indian or Moroccan food, as well as desserts such as carrot cake, tarte tatin and cheesecake.

## FORMATS:

Bottle (75 cl)

Discover more about your bottle of Krug with the Krug iD on the Krug app, Twitter or Google.  
<http://app.krug.com>, @krug or krug.com.