



RIDGEVIEW
ENGLAND

BLANC DE BLANCS 2020 LIMITED RELEASE

Pure, elegant and complex. Our flagship English sparkling wine

GRAPE VARIETIES

100% Chardonnay

VINEYARD

100% Single-Vineyard Chardonnay planted in 1995, at our heritage home vineyard in Sussex. Ridgeview Wine Estate is based on clay loam soils, placed on a low ridge of Paludina limestone. Sloping southwards towards the South Downs Ridge and just eight miles from the sea, we enjoy a cool maritime climate, where the high hills to the south keep the micro-climate comparatively dry and warm during the growing season.

VINTAGE REPORT

After a late spring frost in May, the growing season progressed well. There was lower-than-average rainfall and flowering began in mid-June, one of the earliest we've experienced. Following suit, it was the earliest harvest at Ridgeview, beginning on 24th September. With good yields and excellent sugar levels, 2020 proved to be an excellent vintage year in the vineyard.

WINEMAKING

The best parcels of our single-estate Chardonnay were selected by our Head Winemaker and handpicked. The grapes were gently pressed in whole bunches before fermentation at 18°C - 20°C in stainless steel tanks using specialist sparkling wine yeasts. A selection of base wines went through malolactic conversion, before secondary bottle fermentation in our naturally regulated underground cellars and 46 months lees ageing.

ANALYSIS

ALCOHOL: 12.5% | ACIDITY: 8.9g/L | RESIDUAL SUGAR: 4g/L | PH: 2.89

TASTING NOTE

A pale golden primrose in the glass, with ripe orchard fruit and honeyed apricot aromas. Rich and bright, layers of apple tarte tatin and warm peaches are balanced by a crisp freshness, with streaks of sweet spice. A luxuriously fine mousse is met with a streak of tantalising acidity, creating a complexity that lingers long on the finish.

SERVING & CELLARING

Serve well-chilled (6-8°C), ideally in a Riedel Veloce English sparkling wine glass. Cellaring potential is 2-3 years.

PAIRINGS

A mouthwatering aperitif wine and an excellent companion to seafood.
Caviar – Monkfish – Fried chicken – Asparagus tempura - Lemon Posset

All Ridgeview wines are suitable for vegans and vegetarians.
Contains Sulphites

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