PRESS REVIEW BLANC DE BLANCS 2002

Stephen Tanzer's international wine cellar

INTERNATIONAL WINE CELLAR

Score : 95 points

« Pale gold. Intense, mineral-dominated aromas of candied citrus fruits, pear, anise, smoky lees and chamomile, plus a sexy floral nuance and a hint of sweet butter. Palate-staining orchard and citrus fruit flavors show outstanding depth and energy, picking up chalky mineral and spice notes with air. Strikingly concentrated and precise wine with strong finishing punch and noteworthy persistence. This concentrated, deftly balanced Champagne is built for a long, graceful evolution. »



WINE ENTHUSIAST

Score : 95 points

Grade : Cellar Selection

"This is a thoroughbred, elegant sparkler. With its delicate acidity, apple and grapefruit flavors, and tense, steely texture, it is an extremely well-balanced wine. Although it is ready to drink now, it could certainly age in bottle for many years."



BURGHOUND

Score : 93 points

"A restrained, indeed almost discreet nose of primarily citrus-inflected scents though there are background nuances of brioche, green apple and pear. There is lovely complexity to the subtly layered, intense and refined flavors that possess a relatively fine mousse, all wrapped in a very dry though not overtly austere finish. This is an admirably pure effort that is still quite tight and linear and as such I would be inclined to continue to cellar it for another 3 to 5 years first."

Wine Spectator

WINE SPECTATOR

Score : 93 points

"Firm, with a toasty base mixing with flavors of quince paste, pastry, dried apricot, raw almond and a hint of lemon curd. There's a clean -cut note of minerally salinity throughout, accompanied by a fine bead and a lingering finish."Wine SpectatorAuthor: Alison Napjus



WINE & SPIRITS

Score : 90 points

Grade : « Year's Best »

