

## FICHE TECHNIQUE

### Vineyards

#### Location

Roman Villa vineyard,  
West Sussex.

#### Soils

A variety of profiles but mainly  
loam/clay rich soils

#### Harvest Period

October

#### Harvest Method

100% handpicked

### Winemaking

#### Processing

Whole bunch pressed and  
fermented in a mix of  
stainless steel and French oak

#### Disgorgement date

November 2019

#### Lees ageing

Minimum of 36 months

### Technical Analysis

#### Blend

100% Pinot Noir

#### Alcohol

12%

#### Dosage

5 g/l

#### TA

8.9 g/l

#### pH

3.02

## BLANC DE NOIRS 2015

### Growing Season

The winter preceding the 2015 growing season was a cold one which vines tend to enjoy as it encourages a well-earned rest. Spring arrived later than usual with budburst taking place in early April, thankfully avoiding the frosts. Cooler temperatures in August slowed the growing season down, resulting in a slightly later than normal veraison. By harvest time, the fruit was ripe with perfect acids and we could be incredibly exact on picking dates ensuring optimal levels of sugar, acidity and aromatics.

### Tasting Notes

Attractive golden copper hue. Delightful bouquet of ripe stone and citrus fruits lifted by floral notes. Baked apples on the palate are layered with complex notes of toasted almonds, characteristic of a generous bottle-ageing. A rich, yet beautifully balanced wine with delicate bubbles, a silky texture and a long-lingering finish. This wine is drinking well now but will undoubtedly, continue to improve with bottle age.

### Reviews

"I loved the first wine (2014 Classic Cuvée) I tried from this estate last year. This is another mightily impressive bottle from a single vineyard of pinot noir in West Sussex – it is complex and intense with red fruits, cashews and poached pear."

*Hamish Anderson, The Telegraph Magazine*

"I was seriously impressed with their 2015 vintage which is rich, intense and yeasty and has mature fruit notes of citrus and baked apples. A very special treat."

*Will Lyons, The Sunday Times*

"The 2015 Blanc de Noirs, made from 100% Pinot Noir, has a delightful nose of strawberry, orange blossom, white peach and a touch of rosehip."

*Neal Martin, Vinous.com*

