



# LARMANDIER-BERNIER





# ROSÉ DE SAIGNÉE 1<sup>er</sup> CRU NV

**CHAMPAGNE LARMANDIER-BERNIER** || One of the true gems in Champagne, Larmandier-Bernier is a small grower estate with eighteen biodynamically farmed hectares in Grand Cru & Premier Cru villages of the Côte des Blancs. Both the Larmandier and Bernier families have had a long history in the Champagne region, dating back to the French revolution, but it was not until the marriage of Philippe Larmandier and Elisabeth Bernier in 1971 that Champagne Larmandier-Bernier was officially established. The small house today is directed by Pierre and Sophie Larmandier, who took over the direction of the family estate in 1988.

**CHAMPAGNE - CÔTE DES BLANCS** || The Côte des Blancs lies south of Epernay and is the source for many top cuvée & vintage Champagnes for houses of all sizes. The vineyards are mostly situated on east facing slopes and 95% of the vines are the Chardonnay varietal (hence, the Côte des Blancs name). The soils in the area are typically a thin layer of top soil, beneath which lies the chalk that gives these wines their unique expression of minerality and terroir. Wines from this region are generally praised for their delicacy, freshness, and elegance.

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BLEND | 90% Pinot Noir & 10% Pinot Gris

VINEYARDS | Vineyards are located in Vertus with deep chalky soil and rich topsoil with a average vine age of 30 years.

WINEMAKING | This Rosé is made in the saignée method (contrary to many Rosé Champagnes which add red wine). The wine is fermented in two concrete eggs and one stainless tank followed by lees aging with bâtonnage for one year. Secondary fermentation and further aging on the lees for over two years. Disgorged 6 months prior to release.

ALCOHOL | 12%

DOSAGE | 3gr/I dosage

#### PRESS | 95 VIN & 96 WA

"Endowed with stunning depth, richness and explosive aromatic intensity. Over the last few vintages, the Larmandier's have moved their Rosé away from the dark, overt wines of the past to a style that emphasizes focus and cut. Those qualities come through loud and clear in a Champagne that sizzles with tension. A whole range of floral and savory overtones punctuate the striking finish. Simply magnificent. Run, don't walk." - Antonio Galloni

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