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2021 Bubble

\$29/b 12.5 % alc./vol. 750 mL Blanc ~Méthode Charmat Sparkling Brut VQA Ontario



Vintner's Notes

As we have chosen to only sell to private clients and high-end restaurants, Karlo is often invited to participate in galas, private club après parties and fundraisers. So, we get asked if we have a sparkling to use as a reception wine. When Derek Barnett, our winemaker, was offered some Sauvignon Blanc and Sémillon at the beginning of harvest, we jumped at the chance to make a Bordeaux cuvée sparkling wine. It is dry with round fruit making it way too easy to drink. We decided to call it "Bubble" because that is what we naturally call a sparkling wine when referring to it with familiar affection.

Winemaker's Notes

A blend of Sauvignon Blanc and Sémillon were used in the making of this cuvée. It was harvested in late September from vineyards very close to the shores of Lake Ontario; a slower maturing site than most due to the cooler evenings and nights in the fall. These wines were fermented separately in stainless steel tanks using selected yeast and a maximum fermentation temperature of 14C. The wines were settled followed by filtration before being transferred to pressure tank for the second fermentation. This ferment took over a month, giving a soft, delicate bubble and a touch of sweetness.

Tasting Notes

Light, dry, fruity and floral with notes of toast, brioche, yellow apple, honeycomb and sometimes hazelnut. Fresh bread dough, white chocolate and almond-y marzipan notes dominated by citrus and orchard fruit aromas: quince, yellow apple, lime, and Meyer lemon. With lemon curd, yellow flowers and almond paste on the palate. Pale gold in colour, this wine shows great balance, a little texture, sweet, ripe tree fruit aromas and freshness on the finish of citrus and minerality.

Pairing Notes

Pair with kettle chips, black olives, salted white bean paté, heart of palm tacos, grilled oyster mushrooms, shoe lace french fries, deep-fried cauliflower, chick'n fried tofu, cashew ravioli, buttered popcorn, reception canapes, lawn parties, galas, milestone celebrations or fashion runways.