Anderson Valley Brut





#20 - 93 POINTS

Wine Spectator Top 100 2024 November 2024

GOLD MEDAL

NZ International Wine Show 2024

October 2024

98 POINTS & DOUBLE GOLD

NZ International Wine Show 2021

February 2022

93 POINTS & 5 STARS

Sam Kim | wineorbit.co.nz

July 2021

Enticing and beautifully complex, the bouquet shows baked apple, apricot, brioche and rich yeasty characters on the nose, leading to a wonderfully flavoursome palate offering creamy mouthfeel and a lingering silky finish. Fabulously satisfying.

93 POINTS & SMART BUY

Tim Fish | Wine Spectator

July 2018

Seamless and silky, showing an almost effortless sense of complexity, with notes of lemon and pear paired with toasty brioche, fresh ginger and hazelnut details.

GOLD MEDAL

The Champagne & Sparkling Wine World Championships July 2017

93 POINTS & EDITORS' CHOICE

Jim Gordon | Wine Enthusiast

December 2017 This

17 This is an assertive, flavorful and robust wine, with a medium to full body, a mouthfilling texture and fine beaded bubbles. A creamy viscosity and wonderful layers of butter, apple, vanilla and ginger make for a delicious palate.

5 STARS & NUMBER 1 SPARKLING WINE

Issue 185 | Cuisine Magazine

December 2017 Champenois know-how combines with northern Californian terroir to deliver this complex, accomplished wine, where chardonnay narrowly shades pinot noirin the blend. It's a rich, Vegemite-infused style, quite developed and yeasty, yet has freshness, great energy, and drive. "It would not be out of place in a Champagne line-up," noted John Belsham. The perfect partner for smoked salmon blinis.

92 POINTS & #25 IN TOP 100 WINES OF 2017

Tim Fish | Wine Spectator

June 2017

2017 A voluptuous and expressive sparkler, with floral red apple, brioche and cinnamon spice aromas and rich, vibrant flavors that finish on a luxurious note.



GOLD MEDAL

The Champagne & Sparkling Wine World Championships July 2016

SILVER MEDAL

New Zealand International Wine Show

September 2016

91 POINTS & EDITORS RECOMMEND

Alison Napjus | Wine Spectator

January 2016 More than 30 years ago, France's Champagne Louis Roederer established this California outpost, and today chef de cave Arnaud Weyrich produces this rich and aromatic Chardonnay dominated blend entirely from estate fruit.

Sue Courtney | wineoftheweek.co.nz

March 2016 This golden-hued bubbles has a mellow yeasty bouquet with a saline nuance and a zingy lemon brightness and the Champagne-like taste is ultra savoury and yeasty with an effervescent vibrancy. It's rich and creamy with hints of toast and marmite that has accrued from time in the bottle, and a salivating, refreshing, citrussy, salty tang (like Arnott's Lemon Crisps) that resonates through the delectable lingering finish that is crisp and dry. The bottle I tasted from was exquisite.

91 POINTS & CRITIC'S CHOICE

MaryAnn Worobiec | Wine Spectator

January 2016

This is my go-to bubbly, made by one of my favorite—and one of California's most consistent—sparkling wine producers. More and more I've been gravitating to sparkling wine, taking full advantage of its food-friendly nature and celebratory vibe. I've grabbed this wine as a hostess gift, served it when friends came over for brunch, and popped it open simply to enjoy with popcorn and a movie on the couch.

GOLD MEDAL

The Champagne & Sparkling Wine World Championships September 2015

BEST CALIFORNIA NV BLEND & BEST VALUE CALIFORNIA SPARKLING

The Champagne & Sparkling Wine World Championships September 2015

92 POINTS & EDITORS' CHOICE

Jim Gordon | Wine Enthusiast

November 2015 The fruit flavors are apparent, fresh and lively in this medium-bodied, beautifully balanced brut. Light pear and pineapple aromas are followed by richer pear and citrus flavors, and subtle hints of baking spices, almonds and a nice earthy touch emerge.

91 POINTS

Tim Fish | Wine Spectator

December 2015 Sleek and charming, with yeasty apple torte and floral cherry aromas leading to rich, crisp flavors of lemon curd, spicy vanilla and fresh ginger.

4 STARS

Issue 173 | Cuisine Magazine



December 2015 Founded over thirty years ago, this American outpost of Champagne house Louis Roederer shows the possibilities of international winemaking projects. It's a savoury, complex drop with flinty and toasty layers on a heart of stone fruit characters. It's mellow and mouth-filling with lingering rich flavours.

GOLD MEDAL

New Zealand International Wine Show

September 2014

GOLD MEDAL & WORLD CHAMPION BY ORIGIN USA

Champagne & Sparkling Wine World Championships September 2014

4 STARS

Cuisine Magazine December 2014

GOLD MEDAL

New Zealand International Wine Show 2013

93 POINTS

Decanter.com

2013

Beautifully expressive with vibrant, yeasty aromas. In the mouth this Chardonnay and Pinot Noir blend is multi layered and intensely flavoured with freshly baked bread, spiced white peach, and tangy acidity. This is a very engaging and accomplished bottle of sparkling wine.

4.5 STARS & TOP 10

Cuisine Magazine December 2013

GOLD MEDAL

Spiegelau International Wine Competition 2013

5 STARS & TOP 5

Cuisine Magazine

SILVER MEDAL

The New Zealand International Wine Show 2022

October 2022

DOUBLE GOLD MEDAL

The New Zealand International Wine Show 2023 October 2023



