





Champagne  
VARNIER  
FANNIERE  
Grand Cru

**VARNIER-FANNIERE**

*St. Denis Brut Grand cru*

**\$89.99\***

\* Suggested retail price

	Product code	180968
	Format	6x750ml
	Listing type	Cross dock
	Country	France
	Regulated designation	Appellation origine controlée (AOC)
	Region	Champagne
	Subregion	Côte des Blancs
	Appellation	Champagne
	Classification	Grand cru
	Varietal(s)	Chardonnay 100%
	Color	White
	Sugar	Brut
	Closure type	Cork

**ABOUT THIS WINERY**

Varnier-Fannière's Champagnes are archetypal examples of grower Champagne. The wines are distinctly individual, precise, and clean. Winemaking is artisanal and old-fashioned, including full malolactic fermentations and the back-straining operation of an old Coquard press. Interestingly, the wines are bottled at about 10-15% less pressure than most producers. Denis loves the vinous quality that this practice lends to the finished wines.

**TASTING NOTES**

The nose is a bouquet of aromas that has evolved over 5 years of in cellar aging. On the nose, there are layers of white flowers, hint of lychees, and dried fruit which are typical of great Chardonnays. The maturity is notable on the palate in the form of toasted hazelnut, pastries, and a well-marked mineral finish.

**VITICULTURAL NOTES**

The grapes come from a single plot of Avize aged 68: "Le Clos du Grand-Père". The vineyard is sustainably farmed.

**WINEMAKING NOTES**

This Brut Grand Cru is a blend of different years of harvest. It spends 30 months on its lees before disgorgement and has a dosage of 7 g/l.



**- 94 Points -**  
Wine Advocate

**- 92 Points -**  
Wine Spectator

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