



BRUT

Mirabelle is Schramsberg's multi-vintage brut sparkling wine. This young, bright bubbly, exhibits the crisp acidity and vibrant green apple/citrus fruit that is characteristic of Chardonnay when grown in the North Coast. Pinot Noir adds body, mid-palate and further richness of fruit flavor. Unlike our vintage bottlings, Mirabelle gains unique depth from blending additions of base wines, aged in barrels and tanks at the winery from prior vintages. These older lots add significant palate richness and aromatic complexity.

As with Schramsberg's single-vintage sparkling wines, all grapes for Mirabelle are grown in the cool climate pockets of California's North Coast, including Carneros, Anderson Valley, Sonoma Coast and Marin. The fruit is hand-picked in the early morning hours at optimal maturity. Individual lot fermentations allow the winemakers to carefully select the components that make up the finished blend. After bottle fermentation and about two years of aging *en tirage*, subsequent trials determine the ideal dosage to finish this brut style.

Mirabelle Brut works well as a dry *apéritif* and is also well-suited as an accompaniment to a broad range of foods, including oysters on the half shell, sushi, baked halibut, cheeses and cream-based pasta dishes.

Tasting Notes

"Generous aromas of vanilla waffle cone and spun sugar are followed by rich apricot compote and ripe citrus. The palate is delicious upon entry, with flavors of bright lemon and tropical mango. In addition to the fruitful characters, the palate is layered with essences of honey and toasted almonds. The wine's viscous and coating nature gives way to refreshing acidity on the finish."

– Winemakers Keith Hock and Hugh Davies



Varietal Composition:	52% Pinot Noir, 48% Chardonnay
County Composition:	50% Napa, 34% Sonoma, 14% Mendocino, 2% Marin
Appellation:	North Coast
Vintage Blend:	85% current, 15% aged reserve lots
Alcohol:	12.8%
TA:	0.81g/100mL
pH:	3.07
RS:	1.15g/100mL
Release Date:	August 1, 2011
Cases Produced:	2,665 (9-Liter)
Suggested Retail:	\$25

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