# Cuvée Esplendor de Vardon Kennett

# New bubbles from high-altitude vineyards

## 2015



Grape varieties: Pinot noir 60%, Chardonnay 34% and Xarel·lo 6%

**Vineyards:** Carefully selected grapes from high altitude vineyards owned by the winery to obtain wines with great acidity. The altitude of these vineyards helps counteract the effects of climate change.

Date grapes picked: From the last week of August

Cellar: Santa Margarida d'Agulladolç, the heart of Catalan sparkling wines, which has its own rich history.

# Winemaking:

- Handpicked grapes
- Whole cluster pressing, first cut 50%
- 9% fermentation in oak
- 9% malolactic fermentation
- Secondary fermentation according to the traditional method
- Bottle aged on its lees for 57 months



#### Technical data:

- · Alcohol level: 12.5% vol.
- · Extra Brut
- · pH: 3.00
- · Total acidity: 6.5 g/L (tartaric a.)
- · Dosage:3 g/L
- · Allergy advice: Contains sulfites

### Vintage comments:

In general, 2015 was a year with normal average temperatures, including during the vegetative cycle. That being said, the first months of the cycle were warm, especially the month of July, whereas the fruit maturation period was cool, which benefitted the phenolic ripeness of the grapes. In terms of precipitation, the year was rainy, especially towards the end of winter and during the fruit maturation period, although the growth season generally saw normal levels of rainfall. July was a very rainy month, with accumulated rainfall of 135 mm. In short, 2015 was a rainy year with normal temperatures, where the growth season saw normal levels of precipitation and the ripening period was cool and rainy.

### Tasting notes

Pale gold colour, with delicate, lively bubbles. Seductive and fragrant, with fine aromas of tropical fruit (pineapple) and apple over delightful biscuit and puff-pastry notes. Cheerful, expressive, and full-bodied on the palate with flavourful extract. Good persistence, with a lingering creamy (fresh cream) sensation, and a dry, elegant finish.

