

# 2002 Champagne Salon Cuvée S

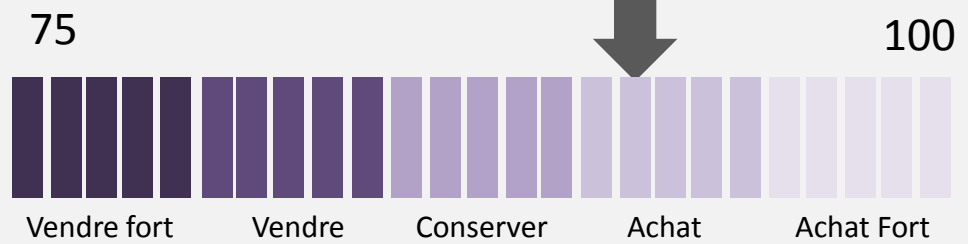


CHAMPAGNE

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SALON  
*Le Mesnil*

## 38 millésimes au XXème siècle

1999-1997-1996-1995-1990-  
1988-1985-1983-1982-1979-  
1976-1973-1969-1966-1964-  
1961-1959-1956-1955-1953-  
**1952**-1951-1949-1948-1947-  
1946-1943-1942-1937-1934-  
1928-1925-1921-1914-1911-  
1909-1905



Conseil achat	Note Financière	Prix visé	Terme
300-350 €	92/100	560 €	5 ans

**Notre avis:** Seulement 62000 bouteilles ont été produites pour ce 39ème millésime produit par la maison depuis son premier millésime en 1905. Salon est l'inventeur de la monocuvée. Jusqu'alors le champagne était un assemblage de différents cépages (chardonnay, pinot meunier et pinot noir) et de différents crus. Il faudra attendre 1966 pour son premier essai et 1979 pour sa première production pour que la maison Krug lui emboîte le pas. Ce 100% chardonnay issu uniquement du Mesnil sur Oger est un millésime exceptionnel que tout amateur se doit de goûter et que tout investisseur en vins se doit d'avoir en portefeuille. Il a été conservé plus de dix ans en cave et pourra se boire encore pendant au moins 40 ans.

### 100 points Wine Enthusiast

The depths of this wine, with its layers of fruit and steeliness, are superb. Even after 12 years, it still needs to age further. Drink from 2018. Cellar Selections. (12/2014)

### 99 points James Suckling

A subtle, intense champagne that shows complex character of lilac, mineral, sliced lemon, apple and white pepper. It is full-bodied and dense but racy and agile with a lightness and freshness. It has a gloriously long finish. It changes every moment in the glass. It has such clarity. It's magnificent to drink now, but shows great texture and structure for aging. Best since 1982. (3/2015)

### 98 points Wine Spectator

Ethereal, with a refined, delicate mousse and a haunting array of flavors, from the vein of chalky minerality to ripe pastry fruit to a skein of spice and richer accents of spun honey, creamed almond and fleur de sel. The finely meshed acidity is racy and persistent, pushing the flavor range on the long, lacy finish. Lovely. Drink now through 2032. (9/2014)

### 96 points Antonio Galloni

The 2002 is a huge, dense wine loaded with fruit. All of the classic Salon citrus, slate and floral notes are present, but it is the wine's superb textural richness that stands out most. Even though I have not followed my own advice, I suggest readers to plan on cellaring the 2002 for a good number of years. Because of its density and depth, I expect the 2002 will develop into a fairly exotic, voluptuous Champagne, within the context of Salon, of course. I also suggest keeping an eye out for the magnums, which are sure to disappear from the market pretty much the minute they arrive. (5/2014)