



**HUGH DAVIES**  
Vintner



## 2017 BLANC DE BLANCS BRUT NORTH COAST, CALIFORNIA

### ABOUT THE WINERY

In 1965, Jack and Jamie Davies founded Schramsberg and set out to make world-class sparkling wine in the true méthode traditionnelle style on the property originally established in 1862 by German immigrant Jacob Schram. Theirs was the first California winery to provide a Blanc de Blancs in 1965 followed by a Blanc de Noirs in 1967. Quality focus drives all aspects of wine production starting with access to over 120 cool-climate sites in Napa, Marin, Mendocino and Sonoma. Now their son, Hugh Davies, leads the winery's management and winemaking team.

### ABOUT THE WINE

The Schramsberg style of Blanc de Blancs is dry and crisp featuring apple, pear and citrus character. Blends utilize barrel-fermented lots and older, reserve lots to add complexity and richness. The wine is aged on the yeast lees in the bottle for almost two years prior to disgorgement.

### KEY SELLING POINTS

- Blanc de Blancs gained international recognition in 1972 when President Nixon served it at the historic "Toast to Peace" in China
- Blanc de Blancs was the first wine Schramsberg produced in 1965 and was America's first commercially produced Chardonnay-based, vintage-dated brut sparkling wine
- Blanc de Blancs means white wine from white grapes, in this case Chardonnay grapes

### TECHNICAL DETAILS

**Appellation:** North Coast | **County Composition:** 72% Napa, 27% Sonoma, 1% Marin

**Varietal Composition:** 100% Chardonnay | **Barrel Fermentation:** 23%

**Alcohol:** 12.2% | **RS (Dosage):** 10.5 g/L | **TA:** 9.0 g/L



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*"Fresh and juicy with the bright acidity expected of a Blanc de Blancs but with the addition of a lovely roundness and richness of fruit; lively, complete and elegant, lush and long."*

— Anthony Dias Blue,  
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