

View From The Cellar

TAITTINGER

Nocturne "City Lights" NV

91 POINTS

Taittinger's Nocturne bottlings remain my favorite sweeter-styled Champagnes in the market, as I really like the balance they achieve with the interplay of acidity, minerality and a touch of residual sweetness. The cépages here is forty percent chardonnay, thirty-five percent pinot noir and twenty-five percent pinot meunier, with a finishing dosage of 17.5 grams per liter. The wine offers up a refined and complex bouquet of nectarine, apple, brioche, chalky soil tones and a topnote of white lilies. On the palate the wine is bright, full-bodied, focused and complex, with a good core, elegant mousse, brisk acids.

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