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Dom Ruinart Blanc de Blancs 2010 named world's best Champagne

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Blanc de Blancs from Ruinart snatched the top three spots at the event, making it the best Champagne in the world. Image credit: Dom Ruinart

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LVMH-owned Champagne house Ruinart has come out on top at the 2022 Champagne & Sparkling Wine World Championships.

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The maison's Dom Ruinart Blanc de Blancs 2010, released in summer of last year, took home the top three awards. The Champagne earned the titles of "Best Champagne," "Supreme World Champion" and "Best French Sparkling Wine" at the ninth edition of the event.

"This award pays tribute to the visionary spirit of the people who have contributed to the excellence of our wines over time, from the vineyards to the cellars," said Frdric Panaotis, cellar master at [Ruinart](#), in a statement.

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The new world champion of Champagne brings enormous accolades to Ruinart, now officially the maison's most decorated Blanc de Blancs creation.

At the event, judges reviewed wines via blind taste test. Essi Avellan, George Markus and Tom Stevenson ruled that the Blanc de Blancs, release in June ([see story](#)), had risen to the top.

This is not the first win for Ruinart, however. Its magnum Dom Ruinart Ros 2004 took home the title of "Supreme World Champagne" at the event that year.



Though not the first win for Dom Ruinart, this officially makes it the maker of the world's best Champagne. Image credit: Dom Ruinart

Made entirely of Chardonnay Grands Crus, the vintage Blanc de Blancs Champagne highlights the vigorous flavor of the grape. Being given the luxury of age, the intensity of its taste is at heightened levels, deeply embodying the land of Cte des Blancs and Montagne de Reims the grapes' origins.

The bottle's cork tightly protects the complex notes of the Champagne, while also signaling Ruinart's resurrection of disgorgement by-hand and cork-aging.

The cork-aging, or tirage-lige method, was explored before by Dom Ruinart back in the 1990s, as the maison looked to its roots. The Blanc de Blancs Champagne is a result of those years of testing, its lightness and complicated flavors made possible by the old-fashioned method.

It should be noted that despite the confidence Ruinart holds in its craftsmanship, the grape harvests in 2010 were not at their best due to inclement weather conditions, making the final successful product a surprise for Ruinart. The maison attributes the upturn to its decade of cellar-aging in Reims.

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In celebration of the achievement, Ruinart commissioned the work of digital artists Anna Devis, Daniel Rueda and Jill Burrow to create immersive online announcements of the news.

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