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## Perrier-Jout debuts 3D-printed collaboration with Chanel's Atelier Montex

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The brand worked with the workshop's specialists to encase 10 Belle poque 2008 vintages in "dragonfly wings." Image credit: Perrier-Jout

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Champagne brand Perrier-Jout is joining forces with French embroidery house Atelier Montex.

The workshop, a member of French fashion house Chanel's Metiers d'Art, has helped adorn a limited selection of Belle poque vintage cuves. Placing couture touches onto the exterior of each, the full package was presented at a private event during Paris Fashion Week.

"Perrier-Jout Belle Epoque champagnes are a testament to the art of vintage rare and precious cuves, produced in limited quantities from the House's finest terroirs," said Sverine Frerson, cellar master at Perrier-Jout, in a statement.

"It was fascinating to me to discover that the savoir-faire of Atelier Montex, with its precise and intricate assemblages of materials and techniques, has surprising similarities with the process of blending champagne."

## Dragonflies and drinks

The annual Perrier-Jout Objets Extraordinaires Collection combines the skills of artisans and Champagne-makers.

Its latest update applies detailing inspired by the art nouveau movement to a capsule of 10 special-edition Belle poque bottles.

Converted into three-liter jeroboams with bejeweled "dragonfly wings" created by Atelier Montex's specialists, the items, dubbed "Ode la Nature Libellule," were shown to a group of VIPs at the historic Htel Lutetia in Paris this month.



Inspirations for the art piece include dragonflies, stained glass windows, Art Nouveau furniture and flowers. Image credit: Perrier-Jout

In a transformed suite said to house the largest private French Art Nouveau collection in Europe (see story), Maison Belle Epoque, the estate of Perrier-Jout's founding family, lent Art Nouveau furniture, tableware and decor for the occasion clients enjoyed a tasting led by Mr. Frerson and appetizers made by three-star Michelin chef Pierre Gagnaire.

"Ode la Nature - Libellule" is seen on the Perrier-Jout Belle poque 2008 vintage, defined by light and fruity aromas, and a mineral finish. Those who manage to get their hands on one of just 10 bottles will receive two additional vintages, the Perrier-Jout Belle Epoque 1999 and the Perrier-Jout Belle poque 2012, over the next two years.

Galvanized with nickel, 3D-printed and plated with 24-carat gold, "Ode la Nature - Libellule" required a year of research and development. Using beads with colors reminiscent of the stained glass windows of Maison Belle Epoque, it took 75 hours to embroider.



In Paris, clients and those involved with the creation of the artwork gathered. Image credit: Perrier-Jout

"This exceptional project with Maison Perrier-Jout represented the first full-scale collaboration between Studio MTX and Atelier Montex, combining an ingeniously conceived structure with the timeless techniques of embroidery," said Aska Yamashita, artistic director at Atelier Montex, in a statement.

"For the first time in the history of Atelier Montex, embroidery has been directly applied to an object, creating a precious showcase for Maison Perrier-Jout's rare vintage champagnes," Ms. Yamashita said. "This project brought together innovation and traditional savoir-faire, as well as truly unique, bespoke materials."

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