

Champagne Pol Roger Cuvée Sir Winston Churchill 1996 (Price available on request) Pol Roger UK

This is the 10th release of one of the greatest prestige cuvées of Champagne and, in celebration, it is sporting a smart new marine blue and red label. Cuvée Sir Winston Churchill was first made in 1975 (magnums only) using Pinot Noir and Chardonnay from exclusively grand cru vineyards – the exact proportions remain a secret. This is dense rich fizz, with the stern backbone and punchy fruit found in so many top 1996s. Toast, pineapple chunks, grilled nuts, butter, apples and more appeared in my tasting notes, while the finish shows wonderful mineral-laden finesse. A classic.

Drink 2008-2026



96 points