

Exclusive sparkling wine for Emirates Premium Economy passengers



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[Emirates](#)' Premium Economy Class passengers — now flying to New York JFK, San Francisco, London Heathrow, Sydney, Auckland, Christchurch and Melbourne — can sample the Australian sparkling wine Chandon Vintage Brut 2016, a global exclusive to Emirates.

Described in a May 23 release as “having ‘youthful and vibrant flavours with subtle complexity,’ Chandon Vintage Brut 2016 is a premium sparkling wine, made in the traditional method for elegance and depth.”

Grapes are grown in the Strathbogie and King Valley vineyards in the Victorian Mountains in “rich loamy soils and flourish in the mild summer weather.” To achieve “the perfect acidity and freshness,” winemakers “focus on climate and fruit potential.” The wine “is a remarkable sparkling wine effervescent with freshness and energy, with six years of lees age adding a touch of refinement,” the

release said.

Chandon Vintage Brut 2016 is a blend of 50 percent Pinot Noir, 45 percent Chardonnay and 5 percent Meunier. The Chardonnay grapes highlight the lime and green apple aromas while the Pinot Noir and Meunier grapes bring home pomegranate and pink grapefruit, the release details. “The spritely freshness and white flower aromas are due to a slightly younger yeast. On the palate, there are lime and green apple notes, while hazelnut praline, biscuit and fresh dough add extra body.”

Emirates Premium Economy passengers can enjoy the sparkling wine on its own or paired with inflight meals. “Chandon Vintage Brut 2016 is a refreshing apéritif on its own but is also highly versatile with food due to crisp acidity,” the release explained.

Emirates’ Premium Economy Experience includes “gourmet, regionally inspired menus with generous portions, including a choice of main course.” The menus are updated monthly and the inflight meals are served with linen napkins, fine Royal Doulton china, stainless-steel cutlery, and with liqueurs, chocolates, coffee and tea.