



CALVADOS & CIDERS Pays d'Auge Normandy - France

CALVADOS 1969 A.O.C. CALVADOS DU PAYS D'AUGE

Calvados vintage 1969 was distilled in 1969 and aged in oak vat and in a toasted oak barrel. It was treated in such a way as to maximise its concentration and complexity.

TERROIR:CLAY AND OXFORDIAN MARL SOIL.VARIETIES:80% OF BITTERSWEET APPLES20% OF ACID APPLES20% OF ACID APPLESHARVESTING:FROM SEPTEMBER TO NOVEMBERALCOHOL CONT.:41 % VOL.

TECHNIQUES USED

The apples are mixed, crushed and pressed. The apple juice is fermented right out to give cider to be distilled. **Double distillation** is carried out 6 months after the fermentation has taken place. The first distillation gives the "petite eau" at 30% by volume and it is the second distillation, that of the "petite eau" which gives the Calvados.

Aging: Since 1969, in oak vat and in a toasted 400 litre (88 imp gallon) oak barrel. Unfiltered and without being cold stabilized, it was treated in such a way as to maximise its concentration and complexity. Bottled to order.

TASTING NOTES

Eyes: Very deep mahogany colour. Transparent and brilliant. **Nose:** Gentle and without aggressiveness. Aromas of wood and spices dominate. Finishes with fruity notes. The aromas of calvados left on the sides of the emptied glass reveal a great deal.

Mouth: Intense, persistent, wood and spices. Silky with a hint of bitterness.

SUGGESTIONS

Storage: very long, bottles upright without special precautions.
As a digestive: sipped on its own at room temperature. Its intensity makes it an ideal eau-de-vie for cigar lovers. Highly gastronomic.

PRESS COMMENTS

La Revue du Vin de France - Martine Nouet : " This truly is a great eau-de-vie... "

Bottle type: 70 cl

