

# A SPARKLING HISTORY

#### OVERVIEW

For nearly 40 years, we've crafted traditional French-style sparkling wines using premium grapes from Washington state's Columbia Valley. Crafted in the traditional Méthode Champenoise, Domaine Ste. Michelle sparkling wines have delicate varietal aromas and flavors that are beautifully balanced by the fruit's natural acidity.

#### OWNERSHIP

Domaine Ste. Michelle is owned and operated by Ste. Michelle Wine Estates.

WINEMAKER: Paula Eakin

WINERY: Paterson, Washington

APPELLATION: Columbia Valley

### PRODUCT SUGGESTED RETAIL PRICE:

Brut: \$13

Brut Rosé: \$13 Extra Dry: \$13

## **HISTORY**

1978: First release of sparkling wine: 1974 Blanc de Noirs

1990: First release of Brut

1993: First release of Extra Dry

1994: Market Watch Magazine names Domaine Ste. Michelle to the

nation's "Hot Brands" list

1995: Extra Dry is the first and only U.S. sparkling wine ever to be

awarded a gold medal at the Challenge du Vin in Bordeaux, France

2001: First release of Blanc de Noirs

2002: All products receive "Best Buy" from Wine Spectator and

"Best Sparklers of the Year Under \$20"

2004: 1998 Luxe® released - first vintage dated Blanc de Blancs

2014: Wine Spectator recommends Michelle Brut and Extra Dry as

Top Values for their "All Sparkling Wines \$30 or less."

2015: Michelle's winemaker of 20 years Rick Casqueiro retires and

Paula Eakin is named Winemaker.



