



Ronnie's is delighted to introduce you to Mr. Jean-Claude Fourmon, Paul Pithois's great grandson and chairman of Joseph Perrier. Paul Pithois took over Joseph Perrier on 2nd August 1888 after Gabriel Perrier gave up the house as he had no heir and the Pithois family had been already in the wine trade for many generations.

Jean-Claude was "born" in a bottle of champagne, as his father was a director of a certain large company in Epernay – Moët et Chandon- and literally spent his early days in a pram in the courtyard. After passing his degree in agronomy at Geneva University, he went to South America, to put his studies into practice. He then returned to assist Georges Pithois, as the export director, and now controls Joseph Perrier, with his cousin.

Alexandre Perrier founded the House of Joseph Perrier at the end of the 18th Century under the name Perrier & Fils..

The brand Joseph Perrier, was effectively created by the son of Alexandre Perrier in 1825, the date at which he took in hand the direction of Perrier & Fils. Joseph Perrier died in Chalons in 1870.

In 35 years of work, he gave to the House an important growth which made a reporter of the magazine "L'illustration" write on 23rd August 1862 that it was considered as "one of the most interesting Champagne Houses".

For over a century and a half the Grande Marque House of Joseph Perrier has built up a reputation and tradition for quality. Their vineyards are located amidst some of the best sites, namely, Cumières, Damery and Hautvillers, in the very heart of Champagne, with cellars in Châlons-en-Champagne. The cellars, which are picturesque and in excellent condition were a former chalk quarry dug deep into the hillside by the Romans. The galleries, over two miles long, provide them with the space and the even temperature required for the process of making fine champagnes – and the gradual maturing of several million bottles held in stock.

Joseph Perrier cuvées are mainly composed from their own harvests, supplemented by carefully chosen wines from other vignerons and balanced with our reserves from previous years. This is to ensure the continuous traditional quality that makes the reputation of Joseph Perrier.

It is no wonder, bearing all these points in mind, that their loyal clientele the world over enjoy drinking Joseph Perrier, whose cuvées gives harmony, finesse and individual character that has been appreciated by connoisseurs for so long.