

**2009 La Valle Franciacorta
Millesimato Naturalis Extra Brut**

The 2009 Franciacorta Millesimato Naturalis Extra Brut offers a clean approach with a long succession of citrus, white peach, almond and toasted pine nut. The complexity is moderate yet this is not a wine to underestimate. It lingers long on the palate thanks to spicy flavors of cinnamon, candied fruit and toasted bread that are equally subtle and nuanced. Good acidity and sharp effervescence appears on the close. This blend of 65% Chardonnay, 10% Pinot Bianco and 25% Pinot Nero is aged on the lees for 40 months.

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**2011 La Valle Franciacorta Rose
Brut Millesimato**

Franciacorta has been producing some terrific Pinot Nero-based rosé sparkling wines over the past ten years. Among them is the 2011 Franciacorta Rosé Brut Millesimato from La Valle. This is a compact yet complex sparkler that shows a bright pink color with raspberry and golden highlights. The bouquet offers well-dosed tones of wild berry, bitter almond, exotic fruit and peach. The wine offers good acidity that adds a blast of much appreciated freshness. This wine does not see oak aging, but it does age on the lees for 30 months.

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**NV La Valle Franciacorta Primum
Brut**

The NV Franciacorta Primum Brut offers sharp effervescence and delineated tones of citrus, almond, honey and Golden Delicious apple. This is a tangy and fresh expression that is more informal compared to its peers. The mouthfeel is straightforward and likable with lean texture and tonic fruit flavors. There is a touch of honey and spice packed within. The blend is 65% Chardonnay, 10% Pinot Bianco and 25% Pinot Nero.

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