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2022 PELIO VINEYARD BLANC DE BLANCS *bottle no. 900 of 900*

MONTEREY COUNTY

Blanc de Blancs Pelio Vineyard 2022

Made like the delicious 2021, his first, the 2022 Blanc De Blancs Pelio Vineyard is native fermented in stainless tank and then spends another six months in neutral barrel, 33 months en tirage. Tasting of pure peach and fluffy biscuit, it has an enduring creaminess on the palate, with impressive texture and length. From a beautiful site overlooking Carmel Valley and the Pacific Ocean, soon to be within the pending Carmel Coast AVA, it's a showcase of cool-climate Chardonnay at its sparkling best, disgorged January 23, 2026. It's hard to resist drinking it now, but this gorgeous bubbly will last for decades; enjoy best 2028-2042.

96 pts-Virginie Boone, jebdunnuck.com, March 2026