

Voltis - A hybrid grape approved for planting in Champagne

In 2021 The Syndicat Général des Vignerons de la Champagne, voted to allow limited plantings of the Voltis grape variety for use in the wines of Champagne.

The proposal was approved by the INAO in November 2022, on a ten-year trial basis.

Voltis is a hybrid grape which contains DNA from Vitis Vinifera, Vitis Berlandieri, Vitis Rupestris, and Vitis Muscadinia

It is fungus-resistant and believed to be entirely resistant to powdery mildew and highly resistant to downy mildew.

It is the first fungus resistant grape allowed for use in a French AOP and is the second hybrid grape to be permitted after Baco Blanc (Baco 22A), used in Armagnac AOP.

Maximum planting: No more than 5% of the vineyard area

Maximum of 10% of the final blend of any cuvée.

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