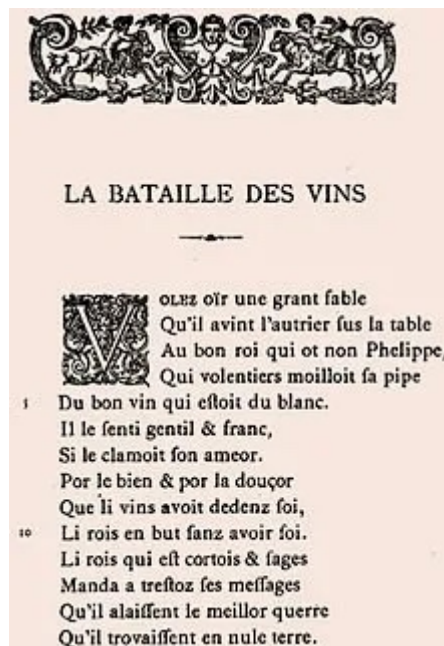




La Bataille des Vins

Description

The Battle of the Wines (French- La Bataille des Vins), sometimes also called as **“The Battle of the Blends”** was a notable poem written by **Henry d’Andeli** in 1224 and tells the story of a famous Wine tasting organized by the **French king Philip Augustus**.



The Battle of Wines

A poem by Henry d’Andeli in 1224

Over 70 samples from France and across Europe, including Cyprus, Spain and the Mosel region were tasted and judged by an English priest.

The priest classified the wines he tasted as either **Celebrated** for those which pleased him or **Excommunicated** for those that did not meet his standards. In the end a sweet wine from Cyprus (widely believed to be **Commandaria**) won the overall tasting and was awarded the supreme title of Apostle.

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