

17 XI - DO Montsant



Grape varieties: 40% Grenache, 40% Carignan and 20% 'Ull de Llebre' (Tempranillo).

Type of soil: Meteorised primary granite.

Origin: 10 to 45 years old vines from the districts of Falset, Marçà, Masroig, Capçanes, Els Guiamets and Margalef.

Elaboration: The different varieties are fermented separately at a temperature of 28 °C. Maceration is long, followed by the malolactic fermentation. Once this process is completed, the wine is aged in American oak barrels during 4-6 months. Afterwards, the 'coupage' and the bottling are carried out, and the wine continues the aging in bottle between 3 and 5 months more.

Characteristics: Dry complex red wine, but easy to dry at the same time. Smooth, with aromatic and fresh wood.

Alcohol content: Between 13% and 14% by vol.

Recommendations: Drink at temperatures between 16 °C and 18 °C, up to 8-10 years after elaboration.

Pairing: An easy to drink wine but also smooth, fresh and very versatile. It combines well with all types of food, and it is recommended with white meats, salads, goat's cheeses, soups, sausages and wild mushrooms. Also rice dishes with all kinds of accompaniment.

Among the various cooking methods we can single out grilling, steaming and boiling: in general, simple and light dishes. Also suitable for all types of raw food.

Awards:

- International Wine Report, April 2017: 91 Points, 2015 vintage
- 21st Berlin Wine Trophy: Gold Medal, 2015 vintage.
- Mundus Vini 2017: Silver Medal, 2015 vintage.
- 20th Berlin Wine Trophy: Gold Medal, 2014 vintage.
- Mundus Vini 2016: Gold Medal, 2014 vintage.
- Vinous, January 2016: 91 Points, 2014 vintage.
- Wine Spectator 2015: 90 Points, 2012 vintage.
- Wine & Spirits 2015: 90 Points 2012 vintage (Best Buy) and selected within "2015 Year's Best Catalan Wines".
- Wine & Spirits 2014: 91 Points (Best Buy), 2011 vintage and selected within "2014 Year's Best Catalan Wines".
- Stephen Tanzer's International Wine Cellar: 89 Points, 2011 vintage.
- Stephen Tanzer's International Wine Cellar: 90 Points, 2006 vintage.
- Wine & Spirits 2007: 90 Points, 2004 vintage.