Garmon 2016 (Red Wine)



With Garmon Continental the García family completes their particular trilogy of wines and wineries in the Douro Valley -Mauro (Tudela de Duero) and San Román (Toro) - with an exciting and exclusive family project based on the vineyard, with Tempranillo or Tinto Fino as the main protagonist. Strictly limited production, never to exceed 6,600 cases per annum.

Appellation	Ribera del Duero D.O.
Grapes	100% Tinto Fino
Altitude / Soil	900 meters / Calcareous/clay and sandy/clay soils
Farming Methods	Practicing organic
Harvest	Hand harvest at low yields of 3-4000 kg/Ha.
Production	Fermented with native microbes in stainless steel tanks
Aging	Aged 16 months in French oak barrels, 50% new
UPC / SCC / Pack	8 437016 072011 / / 6

Reviews: "Mariano García's brilliant project gets its fruit from four different villages with altitudes up to 1,000 metres. This scented, deeply coloured cuvée is floral, fresh and poised, with gratifying freshness and potential. 2022-35." **96 points** *Tim Atkin MW;* Ribera del Duero Top 100 2018 – November 2018

"A richly oaked nose is grainy and outright woody, with smoky blackberry notes and a hint of raisin filling in the cracks. A rough, drawing palate is tannic like nails, while this tastes of chocolaty black fruits. Intensity is a continuing theme maintained on a chocolaty finish that's dry and pounding in texture." 93 CS points *The Wine Enthusiast;* "Cellar Selection" - August 2019

"Cropped from a cooler year, the 2016 Garmón is fresher, cooler and juicier, with elegant and polished tannins. The process is similar every year, and the differences are mostly due to vintage variations, but in this vintage, they used a higher percentage of used barriques for the élevage (50/50 new and used). 2016 is fresher, more elegant and a little lighter. It has a medium to full body and some grainy tannins. Give it a little more time before you pull the cork. 50,000 bottles produced. It was bottled in June 2018." 93 points *The Wine Advocate*; Issue #238 – August 2018

"A polished texture carries focused flavors of black cherry, licorice, tar and mineral in this solid red. Sleek and crisp, this shows good definition. Drink now through 2028." **92 points Wine Spectator;** June 30, 2019 Issue

"The 2016 Garmón Tinto is composed entirely from Tempranillo, with the vineyard age ranging from a robust thirty years-old all the way up to one hundred year-old vines! The wine is aged for sixteen months in French oak barrels prior to bottling, with the 2016 vintage tipping the scales at 14.5 percent octane. It delivers a beautiful, youthful bouquet of black cherries, plums, cocoa powder, cigar wrapper and a nice base of smoky new oak. On the palate the wine is pure, full-bodied, focused and complex, with a plush core, fine balance and grip, suave tannins and just a bit of backend heat poking out on the long and classy finish. This is really good, with a sense of restraint that is not easy to present at 14.5 percent octane. I would love to see it a touch lower in alcohol, but this is very well-made wine. 2026-2055."

92 points View from the Cellar; Issue #86 - March/April 2020

"Blackberries and blueberries with some vanilla and chocolate character. Medium body. Firm and silky with resolved tannins. Attractive to drink now." **92 points** *JamesSuckling.com;* July 24, 2019

"Really good in its youth, the 2016 'Garmon' delivers rich dark currants that are woven together with exotic spices, mocha and black licorice on the palate. Layered, with light tannins and great acidity, enjoy this over the next decade. Drink 2020-2028." **91 points** *Washington Wine Blog;* Dr. Owen J. Bargreen, CS - July 2020

