Genium 2012 (Red Wine)



In the year 2002, six families from the municipality of Poboleda (Priorat) with a long tradition in vine growing decided to join their efforts in order to make high quality wines from their own crops. They own 15 hectares of vineyards between all of the families. 7 hectares are Costers (steeply sloping, high altitude vineyards), 3 hectares of organically farmed vines (Ecologic) and 5 hectares of terraced vines on narrow terraces with two rows of vines each. The varietal makeup of the vineyards includes Garnacha, Cariñena, Cabernet Sauvignon, Syrah, Pedro Ximenez and Merlot. Costers vines were planted in 1910 and produce ~300 grams of grapes per vine. Younger vines were planted in 1980 on the terraces and produce between 900gm and 1 kg per vine.

Appellation	Priorat D.O.Q.
Grapes	45% Garnacha, 20% Syrah, 20% Merlot, 10% Cariñena and 5% Cabernet Sauvignon
Altitude / Soil	400-600 meters / Llicorella (slate) soils
Farming Methods	Practicing Organic
Harvest	Hand harvested fruit, vines average 35 year old vines, 8 plots grown around La Morera, Torroja and, Poboleda
Production	48 hour cold soak, fermentation with skins for 25 days, basket pressed
Aging	12 months in second fill French Allier barrels, 20% new
UPC / SCC / Pack	8-437008-747026 / / 12

Reviews:

"About half garnacha, the rest a mix of syrah, merlot, cariñena and cabernet, this is blended from the fruit of eight vineyards in different villages of Priorat. Smoky and generous in sweet spice, it feels simultaneously exotic and tremendously fruity, almost as intense as ripe blackberries and raspberries in syrup. It's big and impressive, ready now for lamb tagine." 93 points *Wine & Spirits Magazine*; October 2017

