Legado del Moncayo Garnacha 2023 (Red Wine)



Isaac Fernández Selección is a unique collaborative venture between two individuals – Isaac Fernandez one of Spain's most acclaimed winemakers and Aurelio Cabestrero whose vision and commitment helped bring Spanish wines to the forefront in the United States. They work at rediscovering forgotten regions of superior terroir and maximizing the potential from old vines of indigenous grape varieties in a number of regions. 2013 was the first vintage of Legado del Moncayo, a subtly oaked, old vine Garnacha from Campo de Borja. In 2014 they added an un-oaked Garnacha made from younger vines; a delicious wine priced to be enjoyed every day. In 2015 they expanded the line with a unique expression of Garnacha Blanca, an exceedingly rare grape in the area. Finally in 2016, they produced their first dry Muscat, a highly aromatic, white wine that pairs beautifully with intensely flavored foods.

| Appellation | Campo de Borja D.O. |
|-------------------|--|
| Grapes | 100% Garnacha Tinta, from 25-year-old-vines |
| Altitude / Soil | 560-600 meters / gravelly, chalky loam |
| Farming Methods | Traditional methods |
| Harvest | Hand harvested fruit |
| Production | Grapes were destemmed and lightly crushed prior to fermentation in stainless steel |
| | tanks |
| Aging | Aged for a few months in stainless steel tanks prior to bottling, no oak. |
| UPC/SCC/Pack Size | 8-437012-498419 / 8-437012-498426 / 12 |

Reviews:

The 2023 Garnacha Tinto from Legado del Moncayo is again made from high altitude vineyards, with these twenty-five year-old vines planted between five hundred-sixty and six hundred meters above sea level. The wine is fermented and raised in stainless steel and the new vintage comes in at fourteen percent octane. The wine offers up a deep and vibrant bouquet of red and black raspberries, smoked meats, a bit of fruitcake, lovely spice tones, stony soils and a topnote of bonfire. On the palate the wine is full-bodied, focused and rock solid at the core, with good soil undertow and grip, ripe tannins and a long, complex and very well balanced finish. This is an outstanding bottle of Garnacha that puts to shame many an example of Châteauneuf du Pape these days! Great value. 2032-2060. **91 Points View from the Cellar;** John Gilman; Issue #110 March – April 2024.

