

San Roman 2018 (Red Wine)



Bodegas y Vinedos Maurodos was founded by Mariano Garcia in 1997 and owns 100 hectares in the villages of Villaester, San Roman de Hornija and Morales, planted mainly with Tinta de Toro, the local clone of Tempranillo.

In recent years the winemaking team has, under Eduardo Garcia's (Mariano's son) direction, been producing wines in a fresher style, harvested at the optimum moment to balance freshness and richness. This leads off with intense attention to farming exceptional grapes using organic methods and some biodynamic concepts and practices.

Grapes for San Roman, their original wine, have been harvested earlier and see shorter maceration times during fermentation.

Appellation	Toro D.O.
Grapes	100% Tinta de Toro (Tempranillo), from ungrafted vines between 60-100 years old
Altitude / Soil	700-850 meters / sand, clay and gravel, mostly with large surface stones
Farming Methods	Practicing Organic, incorporating some Biodynamic principles and practices
Harvest	Hand harvested fruit, hand sorted at the winery prior to processing
Production	Grapes were destemmed and lightly crushed prior to fermentation with native microbes, 2 weeks of skin maceration
Aging	Aged for 24 months in a combination of French and American oak barrels, 25% new
UPC / SCC / Pack Size	8437014707373 / 28437014707377 / 12

Reviews:

"The flagship bottling from Bodegas San Román is made entirely from Tempranillo vines, bush-trained and ranging from sixty to fully one hundred years of age. They are farmed certified organic and are in transition to biodynamics. The wine is fermented with indigenous yeasts and aged for fully two years, in twenty-five percent new oak. The wood is a mix of French and American oak in origin. The 2018 San Román comes in at 14.5 percent alcohol and delivers a deep and very refined nose of black cherries, plums, cigar wrapper, a touch of bitter chocolate, dark soil tones, gentle spice tones and a well-done framing of cedary new oak. On the palate the wine is deep, full-bodied, focused and complex, with a beautiful core of fruit, fine soil signature, ripe, firm tannins and a long, ripe and complex finish of impressive backend polish. This is one of the best bottlings of Toro that I am aware and the 2018 is excellent. It is a big, ripe wine, as this is Toro in an age of growing heat all over the planet, but it is impeccably balanced and quite sophisticated in style. 2030-2080+." **95 points View from the Cellar**; John Gilman - Issue #98 March-April 2022

"The bombastic new San Roman comes from the warm 2018 vintage in Toro. It is a rich and decadent style of Toro that thrills with its baking spice dusted milk chocolate, blueberry pie and dusty soil profile on the palate. Rich and decadent, with a great mineral backbone, this expressive 2018 Toro really needs two hours in the decanter if enjoying in its full-throttle youth. Drink 2024-2040 " **95 points OwenBargreen.com**; Owen Bargreen - August 18, 2022

"Aromas of blackberry, cocoa powder and caramel prep the palate for flavors of blackberry, cassis, butterscotch, mint and rose petal. Hearty tannins and notes of butterscotch power into the persistent finish." **94 points Wine Enthusiast**; Mike DeSimone - Issue May 2023

