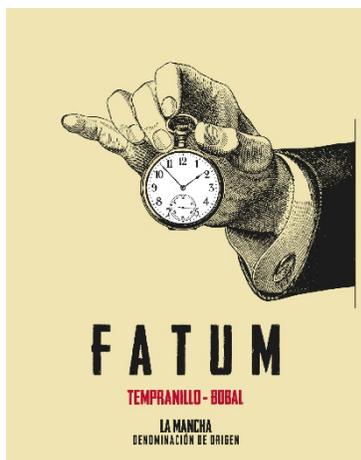


## Fatum Tempranillo Bobal 2017 (Red Wine)



After working for 10 years with his father at the eponymous estate in La Mancha, Manuel Manzaneque Suarez has started both consulting for other wineries and his own project, *iEa!*. The project is focused on old vine Cencibel (Tempranillo) from La Mancha, one of the regions with the best price to quality ratios in the world. He only sources fruit from old vineyards that offer excellent raw material.

In 2013, he expanded his range of wines to include two new wines driven by the same philosophy and pride in autochthonous varieties of grapes, called *Fatum*, meaning Destiny or Fate. He further expanded the range in 2014 bottling an extremely limited production wine from a uniquely sandy site called *Mil Cepas*, or one thousand vines.

<b>Appellation</b>	La Mancha D.O.
<b>Grapes</b>	90% Tempranillo, 10% Bobal from 35-year-old vines
<b>Altitude / Soil</b>	750 meters / large stones over clay, lime-rich clay
<b>Farming Methods</b>	Practicing Organic
<b>Harvest</b>	Hand harvested into small boxes
<b>Production</b>	Cold maceration with skins for 3-4 days, fermented with native yeasts in stainless steel tanks
<b>Aging</b>	Aged for a few months in stainless steel tanks prior to bottling, no oak.
<b>UPC / SCC / Pack</b>	8437006184816 // 12

### Reviews:

“The 2017 Fatum Tinto has a cépages this year of eighty percent Tempranillo and twenty percent Bobal (a grape I really like and feel is quite underrated). The grapes hail from organically-farmed vineyards, are fermented with indigenous yeasts and aged in stainless steel prior to bottling. The 2017 comes in at 13.5 percent octane and offers up a stylish nose of cherries, raspberries, clove-like spice tones, a bit of cigar smoke and a good base of soil. On the palate the wine is bright, ripe and full-bodied, with a good core of fruit, fine focus and grip, moderate tannins and a long, tangy and complex finish. This has plenty of robust personality and is an absolute steal at \$13 a bottle here in the US! 2020-2030.”

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

“Tasted blind. The nose is intense and shows garrigue herbs and lots of pungent spices such as black pepper. It is well ripened, with fruit lying beneath the spiciness. It is very rounded and broad, like a fruit explosion on the palate, lots of sweet-related texture and a voluminous approach. It has a characteristic bitter and rustic back palate.”

**15.5/20 points** *Jancis Robinson*; “The kingdom of Bobal” - April 2019

