

San Roman 2021 (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:

"San Román's top cuvée is made from old vine tempranillo, with these vines ranging from sixty to more than one hundred years of age. The vineyard is farmed by certified organic methods and the winery's team is starting to incorporate some biodynamic principles in their viticulture. The San Román Tinto is raised for two years in barrel, with both American and French oak used for the barrels. Twenty-five percent of the barrels new for each vintage. The 2021 vintage of San Román Tinto tips the scales at 14.5 percent octane this year and delivers a deep, pure and gorgeous bouquet of black cherries, cassis, a touch of currant leaf, dark soil tones, cigar wrapper, violets and nutty new oak. On the palate the wine is focused, full-bodied, ripe and pure, with beautiful depth of fruit at the core, lovely soil inflection and grip, fine-grained tannins, lovely balance and a long, nascently complex and very refined, young finish. This carries its alcohol quite well indeed, with only the very faintest hint of backend heat, and will clearly age long and gracefully. Like the 2020 version, this is one of the greatest young wines I have ever tasted from Toro! 2034-2085."

95 points View from the Cellar; John Gilman; Issue 109, January – February 2024

"A rich, stylish red, with lavish notes of oak spice, vanilla and medicinal herbs and spices accenting glossy black cherry, blueberry and blackberry paste fruit flavors. Though there's a flamboyant edge, this is focused and well-structured, with integrated, fine-grained tannins and lively tangerine peel acidity. The long, expressive finish echoes the generous profile. Best from 2026 through 2036.¹"

94 points Wine Spectator; A.N. April 2024

