

# Solarce Rosado 2018 (Rosé Wine)



Solarce are the entry level wines from the Casa la Rad estate in Rioja Baja. The large, family-owned estate is located in the northern foothills of the Valle de Ocón, and encompasses 2,000 acres; mostly native oak forest, with 272 acres of vineyards, and 37 acres of olive groves. They seek a balance between their activity and the local environment so as to sustain or improve its vitality and biodiversity. Winemaker's note: "We try to do a true translation of our vineyard's speech in terms of wine with the grapes it gives us, thus Solarce Rosado combines all the grape varieties we grow in our vineyards of Cogotillos, Presas and Manantíos."

<b>Appellation</b>	Rioja D.O.Ca., all estate grown fruit from Rioja Baja
<b>Grapes</b>	25% each Tempranillo, Garnacha, Graciano and Mazuelo
<b>Altitude / Soil</b>	550-625 meters / sandy loam soils
<b>Farming Methods</b>	Organic methods (not certified)
<b>Harvest</b>	Hand harvested into small boxes
<b>Production</b>	Direct press, no malolactic fermentation
<b>Aging</b>	Aged for a few months on fine lees prior to bottling
<b>UPC / SCC / Pack</b>	8-436002-580202 / 28436002580206 / 12

## Reviews:

"Pale pink. Showing bright fresh red cherry skin on nose and a delicious, full flavored palate mirroring the nose with additional stone fruit notes. Mouthfilling and with a lovely, lively finish."

**91 points International Wine Review;** "2018 Vintage Rosés from Spain and Portugal" - June 5, 2019

"(all stainless steel) Vivid onion skin color. Fresh strawberry and tangerine aromas are sharpened by a mineral nuance and a hint of white pepper. Chewy and focused on the palate, offering zesty red berry and citrus fruit flavors and a refreshingly bitter touch of peach pit. Finishes firm and dry, with a building mineral note and an echo of juicy red fruit. 2019-2021."

**90 points Vinous Media;** "Rioja Looks Back and Ahead" – February 21, 2019

