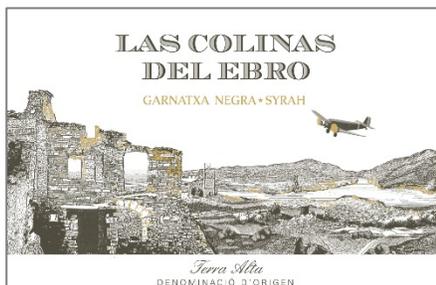


Las Colinas del Ebro Garnacha-Syrah 2018 (Red Wine)



Bodegas Abanico began in the autumn of 2006 when husband and wife Rafael de Haan and Nuria Altes decided to make their own wine in Terra Alta. They thought they could create something special from the old vine Garnacha, both red and white. The resulting wine *Las Colinas del Ebro*, the hills of the Ebro (famous river in northern Spain), has since developed into a successful brand in its own right.

Appellation	Terra Alta D.O.
Grapes	80% Garnacha (35-50 year old vines), 20% Syrah (25 year old vines)
Altitude / Soil	350 meters / Sandy loam with low fertility
Farming Methods	Traditional methods
Harvest	Hand harvested fruit
Production	Each variety was fermented separately in stainless steel tanks, only first press, free run juice was used in the final blend
Aging	Aged for a brief period in stainless steel tanks prior to bottling
UPC / SCC / Pack	78437012917095 / 2-8-437012-917099 / 12

Reviews:

“Shimmering ruby. Lively aromas of red and dark berries and spicy white pepper, with a floral nuance in the background. Black raspberry and cherry flavors reveal a minerally flourish that adds back-end cut. Energetic and nicely balanced, leading to a gently tannic, persistent finish, which echoes the berry and floral notes. 2021-2025”

90 points *Vinous*; Josh Reynolds – March 2021

“The 2018 Las Colinas del Ebro Tinto is composed of a blend of eighty percent Garnatxa (thirty-five year-old vines) and twenty percent Syrah (from twenty-five year-old vines). The wine is fermented and raised in stainless steel tanks and the 2018 version comes in at a robust 14.5 percent octane and sealed under a plastic cork. It offers up a deep and gently jammy bouquet of red and black raspberries, roasted meats, garrigue, candied orange peel, coffee grounds, bonfire and a good base of soil tones. On the palate the wine is deep, full-bodied and plush at the core, with plenty of stuffing and length, a nice touch of backend pepperiness and a long, warm finish. This is a bit out of my comfort zone in terms of octane, but it is complex and well-balanced for its alcohol level, and for those who do not mind this level, there is an awful lot to like here (except for the plastic cork), particularly for \$14 a bottle here in the states. If higher octane wines are up your alley, add three points to me score. 2020-2025+.”

87 points *View from the Cellar*; Issue #85 - January/February 2020

