

Legado del Moncayo Garnacha 2018 (Red Wine)



Isaac Fernandez Seleccion is a unique collaborative venture between two individuals – Isaac Fernandez one of Spain’s most acclaimed winemakers and Aurelio Cabestrero whose vision and commitment helped bring Spanish wines to the forefront in the United States. They work at rediscovering forgotten regions of superior terroir and maximizing the potential from old vines of indigenous grape varieties in a number of regions.

2013 was the first vintage of Legado del Moncayo, a subtly oaked, old vine Garnacha from Campo de Borja. This wine compliments their existing offering from Calatayud as it offers more floral, red fruit aromas and lighter weight. In 2014 they added an unoaked wine made from younger vines, a delicious wine priced to be enjoyed every day. In 2015 they expanded the line again with a unique expression of Garnacha Blanca, an exceedingly rare grape in the area. Finally in 2016, they produced their first dry Muscat, a highly aromatic, white wine that pairs beautifully with intensely flavored foods.

Appellation	Campo de Borja D.O.
Grapes	100% Garnacha Tinta, from 25 year-old-vines
Altitude / Soil	560-600 meters / gravelly, chalky loam
Farming Methods	Traditional methods
Harvest	Hand harvested fruit
Production	Grapes were destemmed and lightly crushed prior to fermentation in stainless steel tanks
Aging	Aged for a few months in stainless steel tanks prior to bottling, no oak.
UPC / SCC / Pack	8-437012-498419 / 8-437012-498426 / 12

Reviews:

“Lurid ruby. Ripe dark berries, candied flowers and succulent herbs on the perfumed nose. Smooth and fleshy in style, offering juicy black raspberry, boysenberry and licorice flavors that pick up a spicy element on the back half. Plush but energetic as well, finishing with very good cling and just a trace of velvety tannins. There’s a lot of wine here for the money. All stainless steel. 2021 – 2024.”

90 points *Vinous*; Josh Reynolds – February 2021

“The 2018 Garnacha Tinto from Legado del Moncayo is another superb bottle for its price tag, but like the 2017 version, this will be most rewarding if tucked away in the cellar for at least a couple of years. The bouquet is deep and nascently complex, offering up notes of black raspberries, garrigue, smoked game, a hint of pepper and a fine base of soil stones. On the palate the wine is deep, full-bodied and chewy, with a fine core, very good soil signature, ripe tannins and a long, well-balanced and promising finish. Like the 2017 version, this comes in measured at fourteen percent octane and is going to be a lovely bottle with a bit of bottle age. 2023-2035+.”

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

“This 100% Garnacha is fermented and aged in stainless steel. Unoaked, it is soft, rich and fruity and easy to drink. Sourced from a high altitude vineyard of clay and limestone.”

89 points *International Wine Review*; "Spanish Wines of Value and Quality" - June 20, 2019

“Dusty earth notes are attached to reedy red fruit aromas. Raspberry and jammy berry flavors are varietally true but short on depth. This plays up snappy brightness and a cheery red fruit character.”

88 points / Best Buy *The Wine Enthusiast*; August 2020

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