

San Román Garnacha 2020 (Red Wine)



Bodegas y Vinos San Roman was founded by Mariano Garcia in 1997 and owns 140 hectares in the villages of Villaester, San Roman de Hornija and Morales, planted mainly with Tinta de Toro, the local clone of Tempranillo.

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 practices.

There is a new San Roman varietal Garnacha, as the grape has finally been allowed by the appellation of origin for mono-varietal wines.

Appellation	Toro D.O.
Grapes	100% Garnacha, from 60-year-old bush vines
Altitude / Soil	710 meters / poor, loose, sandy soils in Los Almendros (Villaester)
Farming Methods	Certified Organic and working with Biodynamic methods
Harvest	Hand harvested in 12 Kg boxes
Production	Fermented with full clusters and natural yeasts
Aging	Aged in 500-litre French oak barrels for 19 months
UPC / SCC / Pack	8437014707649 / 18437014707646 / 3

Reviews:

The one red in the portfolio that has a very different profile from the rest is the 2020 Garnacha, a bright ruby-colored varietal wine with a perfumed, floral and decadent nose a little à la Rayas with cherries in liqueur. It has a medium body, fine tannins and a juicy texture, but it's obviously young and undeveloped with primary notes and baby fat. It has 14% alcohol and a pH of 3.6, very integrated, with almost unperceivable oak after 19 months in 500-liter French oak barrels. 2,754 bottles were filled in May 2022. Drink 2023-2029.

94 points Luis Gutierrez – The Wine Advocate January 2023

Vibrant Garnacha, fermented in stainless steel and aged in French barrique. Expressive nose with transparent cranberry and red cherry aromas. Elegant, balanced and very approachable, with firm yet smooth tannins. The generous red fruit has a zesty refreshing twist of blood orange and a spicy lining of black and white pepper. Beautiful finish with lingering garrigue and a pleasant grip in the tip of the tongue.

92 points – Decanter Magazine February 2023

