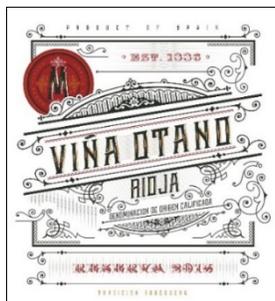


Viña Otano Reserva 2015 (Red Wine)



This winery is run by third generation winegrowers. The current owner, Oscar Montaña's, grandfather started working in wine in 1910. Vineyards range in age from 30 to 95+ years old. Fruit comes from a combination of estate grown fruit and fruit grown under contract and winery direction from two distinct areas within Rioja Alta. All fruit is hand harvested. The current winery was built in 1989 incorporating stainless steel tanks and refrigeration. Their cellars have storage for over 50,000 cases of wine.

Appellation	Rioja D.O.Ca.
Grapes	85% Tempranillo 10% Graciano 5% Mazuelo
Altitude / Soil	450 meters / Calcareous clay
Farming Methods	Traditional Methods, no herbicide use
Harvest	Hand harvested into small baskets
Production	destemmed grapes were fermented and macerated with skins for 30 days
Aging	Aged 2 years in French and American oak and then for 30 months in bottle prior to release
UPC / SCC / Pack	8422938000655 / 08422938000655 / 12

Reviews: "This big red offers ripe, fresh fruit flavors of black cherry and plum, in a plump texture kept balanced by firm tannins and lively acidity. Harmonious, still youthful. Drink now through 2030. 4,500 cases made, 1,500 cases imported." **92 Points Wine Spectator;** Thomas Matthews – August 31, 2021

"Deep violet. Spice- and mineral-tinged scents of fresh cherry, dark berries and spicecake are complemented by a candied rose accent. Juicy and pliant in the mouth, offering smoky black raspberry, cherry cola, vanilla and cracked pepper flavors that deepen steadily on the back half. In an energetic style, showing fine clarity and silky tannins that frame a long, focused finish. Raised in French and American oak barrels for 18 months. 2023 – 2032"

92 Points Vinous; Josh Reynolds – April 2021

"This is very well made Rioja Reserva that shows the generosity of a warm year but still manages to display regional typicity. There's enough oak in the mix to require some aeration, but the wine shows quite well after an hour, and beautifully after two. In terms of weight, it is really just medium-bodied, but it is fully flavored when the spicy, toasty oak joins forces with the fruit's impact on the palate. The oak pulls up short of the fruit in the finish, which is exactly what makes the wine so enjoyable, whereas lots of renditions of Rioja Reserva suffer from astringent finishes with wood tannin killing the sweetness of the fruit... With time to loosen up, the overall impression is soft and invitingly deep and plush on the palate, and there's no doubt this excellent now but looking at 5 to 7 very promising years ahead." **92 Points Wine Review Online;** Michael Franz - Nov 3, 2020

"The 2015 Rioja Reserva from Viña Otano... spends eighteen months in barrel, in a mix of both French and American oak. The 2015 Reserva offers up an aromatic constellation of black cherries, cigar ash, some spiced meats, a nice touch of soil, gentle oak and a smoky topnote. On the palate the wine is ripe, full-bodied and focused, with a lovely core, good soil signature and a long, suavely tannic and complex finish. This comes in listed at 14.5 percent octane and has a bit of backend warmth, but in all other respects, it is a very good bottle of Rioja. 2020-2045."

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"The 2015 'Reserva' Rioja by Vina Otano has a touch of Manzueto and Graciano blended in, as this was aged for eighteen months in oak before bottling. The lovely freshness, weight and sense of salinity entices as bright red fruits dance with citrus rind and damp earth tones on the palate. Every bit outstanding at this stage, the 2015 Vina Otano 'Reserva' Rioja will enjoy another decade or more of life ahead of it. Drink 2020-2030." **91 Points Washington Wine Blog;** Dr. Owen J. Bargreen, CS - July 2020

