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# Introduction

*Writing a second edition of the Catalan Wine Report seemed daunting at first; after all, there's only so much new under the sun, and I didn't want to be in a position to simply rehash old talking points afresh. I needn't have worried. More than 30 long visits to wineries, spread out over the course of several months, reminded me just how diverse and exciting the world of Catalan wine is.*

My philosophy this time around was a little different; rather than flying around the region visiting as many wineries as possible, I would visit fewer in total and spend more time with each; sometimes an entire day between the vineyards, winery, tasting and just chatting. Apart from anything else, it's really the only way to find yourself travelling to Terra Alta at 1am on a Wednesday, having finished a blind tasting with winemakers from Valencia to France, or to finish a long, vertical tasting of wines that were never commercially released but show amazing insight into a winemakers thought process.

As we came to the end of our third, consecutive year of drought in Catalunya, it was also important to spend more time in the vineyards than ever before. There's no escaping the reality of 42 consecutive months of lower than expected rainfall, the low yields and complications therein. Winemakers are taking proactive action with vineyards now being designed with this warmer, drier future in mind. A quote from the Simpsons, of all places, comes to mind, where Bart is complaining about it being the warmest summer of his life. Homer, in his unintentionally brilliant way is quick to retort "Or maybe this is the coldest summer for the rest of your life!" Bleak, perhaps, but if you can't laugh at it then what can you do?

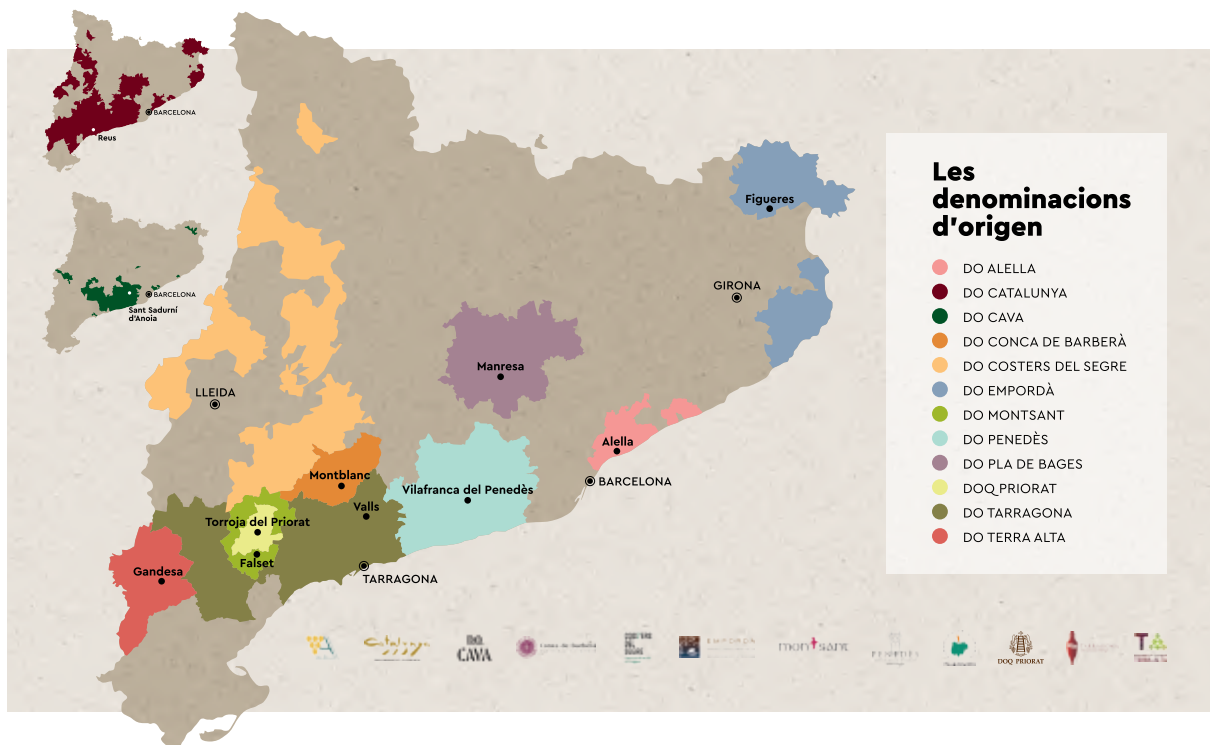
I also greatly enjoyed the opportunity to dig deeply into wineries I hadn't previously visited. The previous report had thrown up a great many surprises that I was keen to investigate in more detail, and needless to say, there's nothing quite like getting your feet on the ground to truly unlock some of the nagging curiosities of the mind. Albet i Noya was an oasis in the tasting of red wines from the Penedes during last years tasting; the layers of fruit and ripe tannin were

remarkable in a tasting that I've come to know for being exemplary for white wines, and a little more challenging for reds. Half a day with the excellent Celler de Capçanes in Montsant was a powerful reminder of the additional challenges faced by the co-operatives that make up almost half the wine production in Europe, whilst learning how family traditions shape the landscape of Emporda with Marti Fabrer was another dimension to my understanding of this northerly outpost of Catalan wine.

In a perfect world, I would spend the same amount of time with every winery, each and every year. In reality, there isn't enough time in the year to do so, but I try to ensure I visit a good spread of the movers and shakers in Catalan wine, in order to best understand what's happening across the region as a whole. It's no hardship to stand above the clouds at El Escurçons with Sara Perez or Mas Deu with Ricard Rofes, my fear of heights aside, or to settle down for an evening of tasting with Enric Soler. Driving around the vineyards of Terra Alta with Joan Angel was an experience I didn't know I needed as much as I did. Indeed, it's a privilege. I write for wine consumers first and foremost, but I couldn't manage it without the gracious hospitality and insight I enjoy from the winemakers who make Catalan wine what it is, and for that, I am eternally grateful. This report was the result of these visits, a week of tasting at the AVC's tasting room in the Penedes, dozens of samples from my own collection of Catalan wine and endless phone calls throughout the year. I hope you enjoy reading it as much as I have writing it.

**Fintan Kerr**  
**Barcelona, January 2025**

# Map of Catalunya Sub-zones





# Views of Catalunya



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# Catalunya at a glance

*The 10 things you need to know about Catalan Wine in 2025*



## **Drought.**

There is simply no way to talk about the reality of Catalan wine without talking about the 3rd consecutive year of drought and abnormal weather phenomenons. There wasn't a winery I visited in 2024 that wasn't reeling from yields that were down 30-50% down from 2023, which were in turn down from 2022, which were, you guessed it, down from 2021. It gets to the point where it becomes hard to discern what the "normal" level of yield is anymore. It's also difficult to keep up with this sort of news when it's happening across the world; in fact as I type these words, wild fires are destroying enormous portions of Los Angeles. Just a few months ago, a storm ripped through Valencia, depositing a years worth of rain in just a few hours, killing over 200 people and decimating one of Spain's greatest cities. If you've ever visited before, the pictures after the storm simply don't make sense and if you're considering starting 2025 with a charitable donation of any sort, may I please implore you to look towards the people of Valencia as they rebuild their lives.

The wine industry has long been heralded as the "Canary in the Coal Mine" for climate change, but we're past the need for any sort of subtle calibrations now. It's usually the first conversation you have with winemakers at the moment, who are keen to emphasise that quality isn't suffering – and in most cases it really isn't – but that with yields dwindling year after year, there are some unavoidable, commercial realities to discuss. I hadn't, before the last few years, heard about "key line" designs in vineyards before; now it's rare to see a new vineyard that isn't planted in the long, wavy patterns that help to maximise the spread of moisture from each drop of rain, reduce erosion and generally manage the water efficiency of a vineyard. Whilst aesthetically very striking, the decision to manage a vineyard in this way is entirely practical.

"I have always said I will never irrigate my vineyards", sadly explains Dominik Huber of Terroir al Limit, "but after another year like this? I might end up changing my mind". This is a big statement from a man who has made his fame managing dry-farmed vineyards from the Swartland to Priorat, and goes some way to show how extreme this crisis is for our winemakers. The issue? Where will the water come from? With a drought emergency declared twice in the last year and drinking water levels dropping to dangerously low levels, there simply isn't an abundance of spare water to go into irrigating what is, at a surface level, a luxury product.

The storms that ravaged Valencia didn't leave Barcelona untouched, though we were spared the full wrath – a few waterlogged roads and a day of cancelled flights is nothing when you consider the damage done further south. The rains fell more evenly in the vineyards, where it was a moment of celebration. "I had more rain fall in my vineyards in one week, than I did in the entire of 2023" explains Enric Soler, in the Penedes. I have two photos of his road-side vineyard that produces the world-class "Nun Vinya dels Taus", both from the same first week of November, one in 2023 and one in 2024. The first is barren and dry; the second verdant and full of life – what a difference a little rain can make! Whilst we will still hope for a cold, wet winter and hopefully, a mild Spring, there is certainly something to be hopeful about. The El Niño weather cycle appears to have finally subsided into a gentler La Niña and we've actually enjoyed well defined seasons this year, though a colder, wetter winter would have been lovely. Can't have it all I guess. Ladies and gentlemen, please keep your fingers crossed for a wet, windy and mild 2025 for us all in Catalunya.





### Key Vintages.

The given wisdom is that weather patterns and grape quality in Mediterranean regions vary less, year on year, between vintages than continental regions, which has historically always been true. The smaller differences in temperature between Spring, summer and Autumn, the longer drop-off in temperature and the warmer harvesting season has meant that, mostly, Mediterranean regions have always been able to produce good quality grapes. This is certainly no longer true. Between 2020 and 2024 in Catalunya, drought and extreme weather events have conspired to create real and important vintage variation. To give a full breakdown of each vintage per region would be a mistake, so I will attempt to generalize where I can in a region that measures 360km from north to south. These are the vintages that you are likely to still find in the market in some shape or form, though an important reminder that the best producers are still a better guide to wine quality than any vintage chart can, or will ever be. As a result, take the following as a contextual guide rather than something to make distinctions in purchases:

**2019** There aren't many wines still on the shelves from 2019, but if you have some in your collection, there's unlikely to be a great rush to open them. Almost universally, 2019 was seen as an excellent vintage throughout Catalunya, with a relatively even spread of heat throughout the year. Whilst overall temperatures were high comparative to the 2000s, there were few heat spikes and as a result, no major issues of stress or halts to photosynthesis. The best winemakers made superlative wines in these years and the overall quality, based on what I have tasted, seems very high indeed.

**2020** Putting aside the fact that the bottom fell out of the world, 2020 was already a difficult year for wine in Catalunya. Hot off the heels of an excellent 2019, 2020 was one of the wettest Springs in living memory, with non-stop rain from March to the beginning of June. At the time it was hard to keep track of what was going on as there were... other news items to consider, but the winemakers of Catalunya were busy battling biblical levels of downy mildew. A great many wines were simply not produced in 2020,

either because the grapes were entirely lost or the winemaker decided to put the grapes elsewhere and preserve the reputation of their best wines. Needless to say, these winemakers made very little wine but of a very high quality. As always – winemakers will take priority over vintage charts.

**2021** The year of Garnacha. Typical vintage charts will rarely give this vintage the credit it's due, so here goes: I have never tried a year where the quality level of Garnacha is so universally high, as I have for 2021. It wasn't perhaps obvious at the time, but this is now the sort of weather conditions that winemakers would currently sell their soul for. The year started fairly cool, with a great deal of snow in many areas planted at altitude, and large water reserves from the rains of 2020 in addition. A cold winter allowed the vines to rest properly and despite long, dry periods during the summer, the vines flourished, producing good quantities of excellent grapes. I sometimes make the joke that I don't really make any money from writing this report as it immediately goes back into buying Catalan wine for my own consumption at home; around 20% of my red wine from my personal collection is now 2021 Garnacha from various producers across Catalunya. My money is firmly where my mouth is.

**2022** A difficult year due to the extreme heat, and heatwaves in particular, that plagued us throughout 2022. Summer seemed to begin in late Spring and ended sometime around October, with a number of heat-waves raising the temperatures to well over 40 degrees Celsius in some cases. This year I have tasted a great many 2022s and the difference to 2021 is very obvious, though not always negatively so. Gone is the elegance and natural fluidity of the wines in most cases, but many of the more entry level wines have benefited from the heat. The best winemakers have managed to keep the scale of their wines at a similar level, but somehow pack in that extra level of ripeness that was unavoidable with the weather reaching the levels it did. Wines that were already on the powerful side are, as you can imagine, unwieldy. Interestingly, a great many fantastic white wines were produced this year.

**2023** A very difficult year for winemakers due to the extended drought, but the results are, and this is a word I use infrequently – fabulous. Temperatures were warm once again but without reaching the excess of 2022, and spread more evenly across the year, with far fewer extreme spikes. This was a year where old vines came into their own, and vineyards planted on water retaining soils managed to produce the best wines which are, in some cases, superlative. Volumes are substantially down on the “normality” of say, 2021, but the quality of the wine across the board is very high indeed. There’s a lot to be excited about in 2023!

**2024** It’s too soon to talk about the quality of 2024; I generally don’t until I’ve tried more of the wines. Barrel samples aside, I have only tried a few white and rose wines until now. That being said, I expect it to follow 2023 in style; low quantities of good quality wines. If anything, temperatures were the most reasonable they’ve been in some time and the main issue was vine stress brought on by extremely low water levels.



### Identity.

Something I have been musing since the last report was that of identity for Catalan wine, or rather, the lack of it. If that sounds unfair I don’t mean it to be, simply to say that it’s not possible to have a cohesive identity across 11 Denominacion de Origen regions with such a large geographical spread.

I don’t believe it’s even possible to draw strong identities even within some of those regions individually. Whoever can explain, concisely, what the Penedes is in terms of style and quality, deserves a medal of some sort.

Then, it suddenly occurred to me that it’s not necessary for the regions to have their own strong identities. Many regions don’t and have prospered despite it. In fact, in many cases the region has only become famous after a producer within it has achieved some level of visibility. Consider your next visit to a restaurant with a good wine list. Do you order a “Chablis” or do you want to know the prices for Domaine Raveneau and Dauvissat? No-one who is interested in wine goes into a restaurant and asks for “a bottle of Barolo” – instead, they scan the lists for the names of Rinaldi, Conterno and Giacosa amongst others. Why should Catalan

wine be any different? When even trying to determine the concept of typicity in a region as geographically contained and cohesive as Priorat is a challenge, do we need to worry about regional identity? I think not. This is certainly not helped by regulatory bodies making life as difficult as possible for the better producers to release their wines under a regional label.

So then, the identity and reputation of Catalan wine, like any region, is primarily driven by the success of its best producers. This makes sense to me and tracks with my own understanding and learning of regions; I am foremost interested to know who the producers at the top of their game are. The concept of terroir can only be realised by those who know how to bring the best out of the land, whether it be Jamet in Cote Rotie, Eben Sadie in the Swartland or Sara Perez in Priorat. These producers are, and deserve to be celebrated. So long as we have them representing their regions here, in Catalunya, we have a beacon to shine into the world. The following is my list of the very best wine estates in Catalunya. They are listed by region as it is not only inaccurate but unfair to compare between different regions.

*Emporda:* Olivardots, Espelt

*Conca de Barbera:* Josep Foraster,  
Abadia de Poblet

*Pla de Bages:* Abadal

*Alella:* Alta Alella

*Terra Alta:* Edetaria, Herència Altés, Frisach,  
Lafou

*Penedes:* Enric Soler, Pardas, L’ Enclos de  
Peralba, Albet i Noya, Can Rafols dels  
Caus, Parés Baltà, Ramon Jane/Celler  
Mas Candi, Torres.

*Montsant:* Joan d’ Anguera, Josep Grau,  
Venus Universal, Terroir sense  
Fronteres

*Priorat:* Clos Martinet, Clos Mogador,  
Álvaro Palacios, Scala Dei, Vall Llach,  
Nin Ortiz, Mas d’ en Gil, Terroir al  
Limit, Mas Doix.

*Costers del Segre:* Castell d’ Encus

There is no making a list like this without inviting controversy, only to say that this is not the intention of publishing it. Instead, I would like to celebrate some of the greatest names in Catalan wine because, without them, the regions that make up the map of Catalunya would simply be names on a piece of paper.



#### Co-operatives.

Across the entire of Europe, almost 45% of wine produced, is produced by co-operative wineries. This is no different in Spain, and in Catalunya, 52 of 620 wineries are currently registered as co-operatives. Their importance cannot be overstated both historically, and in terms of current production. Land ownership in Europe has always been fragmented, typically becoming more so with each passing generation. A working, functioning farm or plots of vineyards can be divided into pieces too small to generate a living wage, simply from one generation to the next depending on the size of the family. So, you're left with the choice; sell the piece of land to someone who wants it, let it rot, or join a co-operative. Fortunately, many vigneronos chose the latter over the years, otherwise we would have lost a great deal of vineyard land to neglect.

“If it weren't for Celler de Capçanes, I wouldn't be making wine here today” I'm told, by Josep Grau, one of the very best winemakers in Montsant today. “Co-operatives realised the value of the land long before private production arrived here, and gave the growers an incentive to work it”. This is a typically humble explanation from one of Catalunya's great producers, but it's a story I hear often. Private production started much later in many regions in Catalunya – famously in 1989 in Priorat – whilst co-operatives had been operating for many decades before that. When producers acquire new vineyard land, they're often purchasing the plots from individuals or families who had previously been part of a co-operative, hence why the land is in such good condition. Many of these producers also began their careers renting out a corner in a co-operative, in order to make their first wines and get the ball rolling.

Not only that, but the cooperatives are a key element in sustaining local population and local culture. Like many agricultural zones, wine growing regions in Catalunya are seeing

a shrinkage in their population, particularly amongst younger professionals who move away to larger cities in order to realise their careers and ambitions. Having a network of connected viticultors and winemakers is an incentive to stay and manage the land, which in turn helps to grow the local community and maintain culture.

However, not many co-operatives have the set-up and management to produce great wine and they need it; making wine at a co-operative is more challenging than via any other model. Imagine that your vineyards holdings are spread out in 200 different locations throughout the region, and that each of those locations has a separate owner, usually of an advanced age and often beholden to strongly ingrained opinions. Long term viticulture therefore requires a lot of relationship building, teaching and incentivizing. After spending a morning driving around the vineyards of members of Celler Capçanes, I started to get a picture of the logistical mammoth task that is it to simply maintain these vineyards, let alone manage a grape harvest. Unsurprisingly, many co-operatives are therefore not able to control the quality of produce all the way along the chain of production and quality can suffer as a result.

Consider the greatest co-operatives of the world and Produttori del Barbaresco (54 members), Cantina Terlano (143 members) and Chablisienne (250ish members) may well be up there. I'd like to add two more; Celler Capçanes and Celler Masroig, both of Montsant and both constant candidates for the best co-operative of the year award. They are only 2 of 52 but the standard set by both is so very high, that they are a level apart from their peers in Catalunya. Cabrides remains the best individual wine I've tasted by a co-operative in Catalunya, but the sheer consistency of Celler Masroig across their whole range won them the prize this year. Both are outstanding wineries and a true testament to co-operatives across Spain.



#### Evolving Vineyards.

Partly due to the aforementioned climate crisis that is being projected into our near futures, partly due to generational handovers and partly due to chance, I visited no less than six wineries this year doing major replanting work. Every winery does maintenance work over the winter; pruning, ploughing,

repairs and then, when Spring blooms, replanting lost vines in existing vineyards. Some acquire land with pre-existing vines, or top-graft from a less desirable variety with a deep root-set, to change to another variety in a short time frame. Replanting the land entirely, however, is much less common.

I make no secret of the fact I don't believe French varieties have much of a role to play in Catalunya. A little splash of Syrah here and there, fine, a touch of Merlot to soften the overall profile; ok. But despite acknowledging the exceptions, and there are some delicious exceptions out there, I am generally of the opinion that our vineyards function best when planted with native varieties. Grape varieties like Cabernet Sauvignon and Tempranillo were once so popular here, but time has proven that they are not in a location suited to them; the former so often chewy and bitter, the latter just flat and uninteresting. A great many of these vineyards have now been top-grafted to other varieties, and the quantities of international grapes diminishes year by year. There will always be demand for them, but it's genuinely thrilling to see plots of Cabernet Sauvignon being replaced with Xarel.lo, Fourcada and other indigenous grapes in the Penedes.

On that note, of the six vineyards I saw being entirely replanted, I found it interesting that five of them were almost entirely being replanted with white varieties. In the previous report I had written about Catalunya being an under-rated bastion of fine white wine, but it appears that this is already well understood. Even in regions such as Montsant and Priorat, the numbers of white varieties being planted is on the rise. "There's a growing trend towards white wine" explains Sara Perez, "and low alcohol wines too. We're planting for the future". Of particular interest were the replantings of previously considered "experimental" grape varieties. The wine world is full of projects to test lesser known grapes, but very few gain anything like the sort of commercial traction they would need to survive beyond an experimental line of wines. Yet now, new plantings of Fourcada are appearing in the Penedes year by year; many won't make it into the official statistics for a year or two yet, but watch this space. I saw Pirene pop up in various tech sheets during the tastings this year, and whilst I don't post finished tasting

notes on wines that are not yet ready for the market, keep your eyes peeled for the 100% Moneu being released by Parés Baltà this year. It's going to knock your socks off.



### New Frontiers.

Where to then, for the adventurous sorts? Surely this report covers the extent of Catalan wine, with nothing left to discover? I could only hope so, but a little theory-crafting suggests otherwise. I taste a little over 1,000 wines a year for this report, not including barrel samples and unfinished wines. Of those, somewhere in the region of 500-600 are rated at 90 points or above and merit a tasting note. Typically around 5-8% don't make the report in any way shape or form due to repeated faults (we always taste a second bottle to rule this out) and some wines simply fall beneath the threshold for inclusion (85pts). Yet, despite all of this, I posit that I only taste 50-60% of all bottled wine in Catalunya in a given year. Mas o menos.

There aren't many wines in the more contained, geographically centralized regions I haven't tasted at one point or another; Priorat, Montsant, Penedes, Alella all spring to mind here. There can always be surprises and new projects; L' Enclos de Peralba went from being a winery I stumbled across whilst writing for Decanter two years ago, to being a project I'm shouting from the rooftops. Yet generally speaking, these are places with lots of attention and curious tasters sniffing out new projects and opportunities. The next big surprise of Catalan wine is unlikely to hail from one of the given hot-spots.

More telling is to taste Catalan wine with someone less accustomed to it. Tasting through the best 300 or so wines of the Catalan Wine Report 2024 with Tim Atkin MW was such a moment; there's little as thrilling as introducing someone to a new style of wine or region and seeing them enthuse about it. There are two regions in particular that stand out in this regard: Emporda and Terra Alta.

Emporda is the trickier of the two. The top two wineries here are, by some distance, Finca Olivardots and Espelt; very different from one another but both producing superlative, terroir driven wines with a clever, delicate touch in the winery. Then there's Perelada as a major player

in the export market, and another 40 or so wineries spread out over a large, geographical area, all making very different wines. A great many of these wines are sold locally, to Girona and to the local market along the Costa Brava. Many wines I taste in Emporda I never even see in wine shops in Barcelona, as not all wineries have distribution there. There are still a couple of gems hiding under stones in this part of the world, though you'd have to work hard to ferret them out. The first time I tasted Olivardots Carinena Blanca with Carlota, I couldn't believe it. A single plot of 125 year old Carinena Blanca; an absolute gem of a discovery.

Three of the last four "Best Value for Money" awards have been given to wines from Terra Alta. This, I believe, is the best hunting ground for new discoveries in Catalan wine. With almost 4x the vineyards planted compared to Emporda, and the numerous co-operatives in the towns and villages, there's a huge amount of good wine flowing here, well underneath the radar. The region is disconnected from any major city and even local, Catalan tourism is sporadic here, despite it being home to some of the most breathtaking scenery in the region.

From a wine perspective, Terra Alta has all the markings of "The next big thing" – old vines, cheap land and an unrealized potential. A few notable wineries exist, but it's the raw material that's exciting here; the natural altitude, the mosaic of soils, the clonal variation and the number of under-appreciated vineyards. Walking in the vineyards with Joan Angel of Edetaria wines, I was keen to see the land that was responsible for producing "Terrenal" – the single best Garnacha Blanca I've had from the country, let alone the region. He recounted a very amusing story of a misunderstood boundary between vineyards that prompted the owner of a plot of unmanaged land, covered in trees, to offer him this lot for a fair price. Underneath was layers and layers of panal soil, and the vineyard stands today as one of their finest. Stories like this could only ever come out of places like Terra Alta. If there's more hidden treasure here, I intend to find it.



### Niche.

Beneath the surface of Catalan wine, lies several layers of complexity that I am hoping becomes more visible over time. Wineries are becoming more confident in

showcasing their more traditional wines, such as Brisat and Vi Ranci, and a few pioneers are bringing both to the market with some gusto. I spoke about Brisat in the Catalan Wine Report 2024, as I was so taken with the overall quality shown at so many wineries despite so few wines gracing the shelves of Barcelona. The same is true again; some of the best wines I tasted on my visits were skin-contact white wines, which we seem to be building a sort of speciality for in Catalunya. Wineries such as Mas Candi, Parés Baltà and Venus Universal are turning it into mainstay, commercially available wines with great effect. I would love to see other wineries bottling and releasing their own.

Then, there's Vi Ranci. Now, unlike Brisat, I accept that Vi Ranci will always be something of an acquired taste and won't ever break mainstream ground. If you don't believe me, just ask the wineries down in Jerez how it's going. These oxidized, intense and often deeply savoury wines can be a sensation in the glass, but it's also not common to sit down and drink multiple glasses of the stuff.

Regardless, I think there's a place on the market for these wines, particularly on the sweeter end of the spectrum, Sereno NV, by La Vinyeta in Emporda, is maybe the best example of this done well, with the residual sugar leaving a tangy sensation when combined with the savoury evolution of the wine. For those who love intense experiences, stick to a small glass of dry, Vi Ranci after mealtimes!



### Enotourism.

Enotourism seems to be growing in Catalunya, albeit slowly. The major players are still largely the same as they were 10 years ago, but a great many smaller projects have sprung up in their place. Overall, any improvement to visit wineries here is a positive thing, but there has to be a conversation about building sustainable solutions.

For example, ten years ago a few wineries offered accommodation in Priorat, sometimes with an apartment to rent, or a country house. Some were even building a few serious rooms into the structure itself to allow small groups to stay on the property. Trossos del Priorat in particular were converting a wing of the winery into 6-7 small rooms, to focus around an enotourism project just outside of Gratallops.

Since then, it has exploded. The number of

Air BnBs, tourism apartments and “aparthotels” have grown by a factor of 10+. More wineries jumped aboard the opportunity to create their own accommodation but most tellingly of all, has been the construction of two luxury hotels in the region, with rooms going from €350+ per night. The fact that this sort of tourism has come to Catalunya is, on the whole, very positive. Who doesn't want affluent, interested people coming to visit their wineries?

The only pitfall, and one to be aware of, is the erosion of local community and local culture. Priorat is already a region where young people are preferring to move away to Barcelona, Girona or other cities as an alternative, leaving the population in Priorat depleted and skewed towards the top end of the age bracket. With the creation of job opportunities in these hotels, there's a good chance that people living in Reus and Tarragona are likely to start commuting to work there, instead of living in the region proper. As one winemaker said to me “We welcome tourism, but we need to make sure that our wine regions don't become theme parks”. There is no solution for this and the market will as the market does, but it would be a shame if we went the same way as Napa Valley, with few of the locals actually being able to live in the region.



### Young Energy.

One of the most difficult awards each year is that of “Best Young Winemaker”. This is mostly because the region is alive and brimming with a youthful energy, much of which flies beneath the surface of any media that celebrates Catalan wine. Two bright lights in particular are more visible than most; Roc Gramona of L' Enclos de Peralba and Carlota Pena Casacuberta of Olivardots.

The first time I visited L' Enclos de Peralba I had a very, very good feeling. It's hard to explain, but sometimes when you visit a winery, everything seems to click in the right way – call it a good energy, if you like. I had tried, almost by accident, a bottle of Els Pressegeurs and been blown away by it, so I was delighted to have the opportunity to visit and taste through the range. The concrete tank in the centre of the room had the tongue-in-cheek slogan of “Make Penedes Great Again” emblazoned across the front, there was no unnecessary ornamentation but also no expense spared if a concrete tank or Stockinger barrel were needed. A wooden stool and a Zalto

glass is a wonderful combination.

I had a very similar experience with Carlota from Olivardots. Working with her mother as a two-generation team, it was clear that Carlota was well into the process of making her mark on the winery with her own section and projects, but more so than that, her immense experience in the vineyards. Both of these winemakers come from winemaking families and are in their early 30s, but haven't rested on their laurels at all. Both will go on to do great things in Catalan wine; indeed they already are! Then many of the region's most famous estates also owe a great deal to young, enthusiastic winemakers steering the ship whilst the more recognizable faces of the ownership attend to commercial obligations around the world.



### Catalan Wine in 2025.

Looking ahead to the next year, it's perhaps lazy but also practically impossible not to shrug your shoulders and wait for the weather, because so many wineries are on that edge. Another year similar to 2024 will put many out of business; growers and winery owners alike. It simply isn't possible for many to continue with a 4th year of similar weather patterns and resulting yields. Conversations with winemakers about it are very strained, with a lot of resigned hand gestures. In some cases, what can you really do about it but hope and pray?

The 2023 vintage will be coming into its own this year and that should raise a few smiles – I'm predicting the most popular vintage across the board for some time. Not everyone was enamoured with 2021 in the same way I was and a more classically ripe vintage, coupled with decent quantity, should go down well. I personally will be stocking up fairly heavily on my favourite producers from 2023; many of the young wines are extremely promising.

Lastly, I think there's definitely room for some amazing value-for-money discoveries, particularly from Terra Alta. I'll get a few funny looks if I use all my allotted travel time to get into every nook and cranny of this amazing region, but I'm sorely tempted, nevertheless. I only hope that we enjoy a year with clearly defined seasons, appropriate weather patterns and a warm, dry harvest. The skill is certainly there, the desire is certainly there, we just need mother nature to take a small break and torment another part of the world for a few years instead.

# A note on tastings & scores

Below you'll find the top wines for the year as well as the complete tasting notes for every wine tasted during the year. Exceptions to this are:

1. Unfinished wines or barrel samples. Unless it is in a bottle and ready for commercial consumption, it isn't rated in the report though I do taste a lot of samples for context.
2. Wines that are consistently faulty. When tasting, I always retaste faulty wines at least once. If the second bottle suffers from the same fault, I simply remove the wine from the report.
3. Wines that would naturally fall below the 85pt marker in the 100pt scale I use. Realistically, wines that fall beneath this level are considered "faulty" for the purposes of scoring this report.

A little transparency on the formation of the report:

- In total I tasted 913 wines for this report.
- Of those wines, 695 are included in the report.
- Of those wines, 460 scored 90 points or higher and so merited a tasting note.
- Of those wines, 81 made it to the best wines of the year, scoring 95 points or higher. This is a little under 9% of the wines submitted.

The 100pt scale is not the perfect system but it works, I like it and understand it. I use it until the 85pt marker. I write for wine drinkers, wine lovers and wine consumers. If there is a tangible benefit for the winery, so much the better, but first and foremost I am making honest recommendations for anyone who wants to expand their horizons and try some delicious Catalan wine. Some notes on the scale;

- Wines that score 85-89pts are good, drinkable wines with few or no discerning features to comment on.
- Wines that score 90-91pts are very good wines, usually with a defining feature or point of interest to match their quality.
- Wines that score 92-94pts are excellent wines and are an instant recommendation, though the tasting note will give the best indicator to the style.
- Wines that score 95+pts are the best wines in Catalunya, accounting for less than 10% of wines tasted, from a sample of already very good wines. Many wineries do not send their entry level wines anymore, as they know I am a fairly tough scorer in today's world and whilst 88pts might be a good recommendation to drink a wine, it doesn't move them from the shelf. If I've scored a wine 95pts or higher, I am strongly recommending it.

There are only 13 wines that scored 97-99pts, or 1.4% of the wines tasted for this report. It is rarified territory for me to score so highly and I reserve those scores for wines that I believe truly reflect the best of the best. If you have the good fortune to open a bottle, I hope you invite me. If not, I hope you enjoy it nonetheless!



## Wine name

A short tasting note.  
Drinking window.

# Podium

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## *Best White Wine Of The Year – Enric Soler Espenyalluchs 2023*

Enric can do no wrong in my eyes. He is, year in and year out, making the most exemplary white wines in Catalunya, and showcasing the beauty of Xarel.lo in a way that is hard to match. His production is minuscule and fiercely allocated, but worth the hunt. Thanks again, Enric, for another round of superb wines spear-headed by the flinty precision of Espenyalluchs

## *Best Red Wine Of The Year – Vall Llach Mas de la Rosa 2023*

Albert and his team have something truly special in their parcels of Mas de la Rosa, in Porrera. They've been making superlative wine for some time, but with years of experience making this wine now, and the heat of 2023, they made something truly special. A wine to fall into and never return. Bravo, gents!

## *Best Rose Wine Of The Year – Terroir Sense Fronteres Coreografia Rosat 2023*

I sometimes bemoan the lack of really ambitious rose wines made in Catalunya, but the few that do it well, do it really well. Tatjana Peceric is one such, and her superb Rosat wine was the clear winner of the award this year, having spent last year knocking firmly on the door. This is a wine I've already started buying every year and I don't see myself stopping! Just one of many jewels to be found at this address.

## *Best Sweet Wine Of The Year – Castell do Remei Verema Tardana 2018*

An absolute knock out this year. The bright acidity, the tension and tanginess of the flavours, the lightness of touch.... A world class sweet wine by any measure. There's very little of it made, sadly, so I'll be sure to grab a bottle or two before this report is published!

## *Best Fortified Wine Of The Year – Scala Dei Vi Ranci NV*

This was, coincidentally, the very last of the Vi Rancis I tried after all my visits leading up to this report. Almost every winery makes a Vi Ranci in Catalunya, certainly in the oldest wineries with the larger stocks of old barrels; you'll know you're there because you're either drawn to the smell or you can't bear to be in the room. This was a bit special and a very unassuming wine. Very, very good indeed!

## *Best Value Red Wine Of The Year – Lafou El Sender 2021*

I tasted this in the tasting room we use in the Penedes for all the wineries I can't visit to taste onsite, and I came back to this around 2-3 times. It's a wine and project I know well, but wow, does 2021 take it to another level. I'm thrilled for Ramon and the team, because they put a lot into their work in Terra Alta, and this might be one of the most enjoyable wines to drink out of the entire report.

## *Best Value White Wine Of The Year – Sant Josep Vins Singulares Blanc 3 anys NV*

This was a real surprise and, importantly, it's wonderful to see another co-operative making such ambitious wines. At the moment it's been a two horse race in Catalunya, between the co-operatives in Montsant, but Sant Josep have presented some fantastic wines in this report and this is a huge wine for the money, as well as being genuinely innovative. I will be knocking on their door in 2025 to see what's going on! Very well deserved.



*Best Winemaker Of The Year – Sara Perez (Mas Martinet)*

This will be perhaps the least surprising of the awards in this report for anyone who knows Catalan wine. Sara is such a warm-hearted, kind person it's sometimes easy to forget that she's also a visionary and a brilliant wine-maker, rushing around with Rene between several projects, each of which makes superlative wine. I affectionately think of her as the “Queen of Brisat”, but she's so much more than that and her hard work has revolutionized Mas Martinet and to an extent, Priorat. One of the bright lights in the region and a wonderful role model to boot.

*Best Young Winemaker Of The Year – Carlota Pena Casacuberta (Olivardots)*

It's a normal rite of passage to get to the age where you see the great sporting stars of the world become younger than you. It's another thing entirely to see great winemakers who are younger than you, whilst you're still in your mid 30s yourself! Carlota is a special talent and one of the most invested winemakers I've met on my travels around Catalunya. Carlota has a natural talent, without doubt, but also possesses the rare trait of natural curiosity and a desire to learn more. Watch this space – Olivardots is already a shining light in Emporda but there's a lot more to come under her stewardship.

*Best Grower Of The Year – Anna Espelt (Espelt)*

Anna won't remember this, but when I was beginning in the world of wine a decade ago, I accosted her sitting at the bar of Bar del Pla in the Born District, in Barcelona, just to say hello and to let her know how much I enjoyed her wines. Even just starting then, I knew about the incredible work she had done in Emporda, mapping the soil types and making sense of a mosaic like region. I suspect few people have spent even half the amount of time in the vineyards as she, and I can think of no better candidate for our viticultor of the year award.

*Best Co-operative Of The Year – Celler Masroig*

This was a tough one and came down to a level of consistency across the whole range of wines, which is something Masroig do with aplomb. It's no easy thing working in a co-operative but in Montsant, Masroig are one half of the duo setting the standard. Their flagship wine, Masroig, was a particular hit this year and I applaud them for such high standards on a regular basis, in a very difficult business model. Bravo!

*Winemaking Legend Of The Year – Alvaro Palacios*

It could be no-one else. Alvaro's legend still has plenty of room to grow, but few if anyone has had the impact on Catalan wine as Alvaro. A pioneer of Priorat and now further afield in Rioja and Galicia, Alvaro's showmanship, enthusiasm and sheer force of will are something to admire and applaud. Not only that, but the man walks the walk – his wines are genuinely superb. The hype is deserved and I am delighted to award him with our Legend of Catalunya award this year.

# Wines of the year



## RED

Vall Llach Mas de la Rosa  
 Gran Vinya Classificada 2023  
 Terroir al Limit Les Manyes 2022  
 Terroir al Limit Les Tosses 2022  
 Álvaro Palacios Les Aubaguetes 2023  
 Álvaro Palacios L'Ermitage 2023  
 Terroir Sense Fronteres Guix Vermell 2022  
 Mas Martinet Els Escurcons 2022  
 Abadal Arbosset 2021  
 Mas Doix Tossal d'en Bou 2021  
 Espectacle 2022  
 Scala Dei Sant Antoni 2021  
 Terroir Sense Fronteres Marenca 2023  
 Terroir al Limit Arbosset 2022  
 Terroir al Limit Dits del Terra 2022  
 Clos Mogador 2022  
 Clos Mogador Les Manyetes 2022  
 Edetaria Lo Mas 2021  
 Gralton La Coster del Crivi 2021  
 Ferrer Bobet Seleccio Especial 2020  
 Scala Dei Mas Deu 2021  
 Álvaro Palacios Finca Dofi 2023  
 Álvaro Palacios La Baixada 2023  
 Vinyes Domenech Teixar 2019  
 Terroir al Limit Terra de Cuques Negre  
 2022  
 Josep Grau Le Florens 2022  
 Josep Grau Pedrabona 2023

Mas Martinet Cami Pesseroles 2022  
 Mas Martinet 2022  
 Venus La Figuera 2020  
 Edetaria Genuina 2020  
 Edetaria Personal 2021  
 Herència Altés La Xalamera 2023  
 Herència Altés La Serra Negra 2022  
 Olivardots Etheric Carinyena Negre 2021  
 Olivardots v1 Carinyena 2019  
 Parés Baltà Moneu 2022  
 Parés Baltà Hisenda Miret 2021  
 L'Enclos de Peralba Els Escorpins 2022  
 Gralton La Sort del Ponent 2021  
 Mas Doix Poboleda Vi de Vila 2023  
 Vall Llach Mas d'en Cacador 2023  
 Vall Llach Vi de Vila 2023  
 Clos Alkio Fulles Daurades 2021  
 Sandra Doix Mar La Vi de Paratge  
 Carinyena 2021  
 Marco Abella Roca Bella 2019  
 Mas d'En Gil Clos Fonta 2018  
 Abadia de Poblet Tossal de la Salut 2019  
 Josep Foraster Pep 2022  
 Abadadia de Poblet Voltada 2020  
 Scala Dei Cartoixa 2021  
 Scala Dei Pregartera 2021  
 Buil & Gine Samsó 109 years 2019



## WHITE

Enric Soler Espenyalluchs 2023  
 Enric Soler Nun Vinya dels Taus 2023  
 Terroir al Limit Pedra de Guix 2022  
 Edetaria Terrenal 2021  
 Herència Altés La Serral Blanc 2013  
 Olivardots V6 Carinyena Blanca 2022  
 Mas d'en Gil Coma Blanca 2019  
 Clos Mogador Nelín 2022  
 Edetaria Seleccio 2016  
 Herència Altés La Serral Blanc 2021  
 Parés Baltà Satellit 2022

Parés Baltà Electio 2022  
 Mas Doix Salix 2023  
 Alfredo Arribas Tros Blanc Notaria 2016  
 Sant Josep Vins Roc Singulars Blanc de  
 3 Anys NV  
 Espelt La Vella 2022  
 Can Rafols dels Caus Pairal 2022  
 Can Rafols dels Caus La Calma 2022  
 Can Rafols dels Caus Montombra Blanco  
 2021



**ORANGE / BRISAT**

Albet I Noya El Bosc Negre 2022  
Parés Baltà Amphora Brisat 2023



**ROSE**

Terroir Sense Fronteres Coreografia Rosat 2023



**FORTIFIED & SWEET**

Abadal Sagristia NV  
Castell do Remei Verema Tardana 2018  
Scala Dei Vi Ranci NV  
Mas Martinet Ranci Dolc NV  
Martia Fabra Vi Ranci 1986  
Castell d'Encus Majjan 2018  
Celler Marfil Generos Sec Soleres 1976 Solera



# Tasting notes:

## White

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### **Enric Soler Espenyalluchs 2023**

A remarkable showing from this young vineyard, which seems to be the Yin to Nun's Yang. Bright, green fruits, lemon, flint and a touch of fennel. Well defined and snappy. Steely and taut on the palate, but an electric acidity animating the flavours, finishing with a tapered, chalky finish. Just phenomenal stuff. Increasingly hard to get hold of but highly recommended. Sophisticated, brilliant Xarel.lo! 2026-2038

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### **Enric Soler Nun Vinya dels Taus 2023**

Broader on the shoulder than Espenyalluchs; waxier and riper in style. Ripe orchard fruits, white peach, toasted hazelnuts and lemon peel on the nose. Driven, persistent and effortlessly long; the sort of wine that just oozes class. Not quite up to the standards of the, frankly brilliant, 2022, but again one of Catalunya's best white wines. 2025-2040

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### **Edetaria Terrenal 2021**

Terrenal is a Garnacha Blanca produced from very select vines on clay and "panal" soils around the various estates under Edetaria's ownership. It's a remarkable wine; slowly building on the palate to a huge crescendo. It's Garnacha Blanca amped up to 11 – a little softer and friendlier than 2020 – but still very much in the direct style. Exemplary. 2024-2040

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### **Herència Altés La Serral Blanc 2013**

What a treat to try a 12 year old version of this, the top Garnacha Blanca of the range. Waxy, floral and still so remarkably fresh, with the oak now perfectly integrated. Wines like this make you realise why ageing is so important for the most concentrated of white wines. A little bit special. 2016-2028

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### **Mas d'en Gil Coma Blanca 2019**

Such a complete wine; 40% Garnacha Blanca and 60% Macabeo. Broad, waxy, flinty, herbal and so well defined with it. Just a powerhouse of a white wine, yet the 15% ABV is barely noticeable. Just superb. 2024-2034

96

### **Olivardots V6 Carinyena Blanca 2022**

For me, the jewel of the Emporda. From a single vineyard of 125 years old, this Carinyena Blanca is a shining example of why we should be planting a great deal more of it. Grab it while you can! 2024-2034

96

### **Terroir al Limit Pedra de Guix 2022**

An almost equal blend of PX, Garnacha Blanca and Macabeo, Pedra de Guix is one of the most singular white wines in Priorat, year in, year out. Smoky, honeyed and with such electric acidity, even in the face of the 2022 heat. Effortlessly long. 2024-2030

96

### **Alfredo Arribas Tros Blanc Notaria 2016**

Powerful, smoky and effortlessly persistent Garnacha Blanca. So broad and mouthcoating yet so light on its feet. Really, really well made! 2024-2032

95

**Can Rafols dels Caus La Calma 2022**

Varietal Chenin Blanc, fermented in 300L French oak. Very classically Chenin; ripe orchard fruits, honey, wax, chalk and toast. As good as a great many examples from South Africa or France, yet somehow slightly different from either. 2024-2036

95

**Can Rafols dels Caus Montombra Blanco 2021**

A freakish Viognier; I've still never come across anything quite like it. Ripe orchard fruits, smoke, dried white flowers and hazelnuts. Broad, persistent and mouth-watering. Gorgeous! 2024-2034

95

**Can Rafols dels Caus Pairal 2022**

A very unique style of Xarel.lo, fermented and aged in chestnut barrels. Nutty, herbal and with a deliciously ripe core of fruit, this is top class stuff! 2024-2032

95

**Clos Mogador Nelin 2022**

If there was an award for "Most changed wine in Priorat", Nelin should surely win. Smoky and reductive on the nose, with a savoury, leesy character complementing the ripe lemon and yellow fruits. Electric acidity animates the flavours lasting into the finish. 2024-2038

95

**Edetaria Seleccio 2016**

What a treat to try an older vintage of this one – not commercially available but a strong reminder as to why these wines can, and arguably should, be aged. Waxy and fresh still, with a dried edge to the fruit and a subtle nuttiness creeping in. Still as mouth-coating and delicious as before, to boot! 2018-2028

95

**Espelt La Vella 2022**

Crisp, waxy and deeply textured; a beautiful Carinyena Blanca. Green pineapple, ripe stone fruit and crushed stones on the nose, carried by the signature, broad, waxy acidity. 2024-2040

95

**Herència Altés La Serral Blanc 2021**

Full on, intense and waxy - this is one of the very best Garnacha Blancas out there, year on year. Mouth-coating and full of flavour but not heavy or ponderous owing to the gorgeous acidity. Tense. Lovely! 2024-2036

95

**Mas Doix Salix 2023**

Wow, what a wine! Aromatically quite shy at first, but the energy and power is all on the palate. Huge drive and crystal definition on the palate; crisp green fruits, wild herbs, hazelnuts and smoke. Such a lovely surprise. 2024-2036

95

**Parés Baltà Electio 2022**

Another fantastic vintage of this superb Xarel.lo. Broad shouldered, delicately nutty and absolutely packed with ripe green and stone fruits, cedar, hazelnuts and fennel. The waxy texture screams "old vine Xarel.lo" and the finish goes on and on. One of the best in the region. 2024-2040

95

**Parés Baltà Satellit 2022**

One of the very best Carinyena Blancas in the whole of Catalunya. Complex, refreshing and with a touch of "Wow" factor to boot. Tense and driven, with bruised peaches, wild herbs, hazelnuts and a touch of TDN-gasoline. So much flavour in a contained package. Superb! 2024-2040

95

**Sant Josep Vins Roc Singulars Blanc de 3 Anys NV**

A white wine produced from a solera system began in 2014, with new additions of Garnacha Blanca every year. This is fantastic! Juicy, aromatic, driven and so very varietal with it. The clear winner of our Value for Money prize this year. Stunning value. 2024-2032

94

**Abadal Nuat 2021**

Old-vine Picapoll, aged for ten months. Clearly also made from riper fruit, with a deep, ripe layer of yellow fruits, chamomile, sappy herbs and a touch of phenolic smokiness. Broad and waxy, with a delicate but persistent finish. This is lovely. Really understated stuff! 2024-2034

94

**Abadia de Poblet Blanco 2020**

One of Catalunya's very best Macabeos; waxy, fresh and very driven. Phenolic, green fruited and chalky, with a gentle grip on the palate. 2024-2034

94

**Albet I Noya El Fanio 2023**

Another hit from this special Xarel.lo, planted at a little over 300m in altitude and fermented in acacia. Herbal, fresh and deliciously nutty; a mixture of ripe lemon, green fruits, fennel and hazelnuts. Excellent and huge value for money! 2024-2032

94

**Anima Mundi Cantallops 2023**

Superb Xarel.lo! 70 year old vines on limestone soils, aged in 500L French oak barrels. Crystalline fruit purity and amazing acidity - it really animates the palate and drives into the finish. Excellent wine. 2024-2034

94

**Celler AVGVSTVS FORVM Malvasia de Sitges 2023**

A microvinification of this Malsavia clone from the Catalan coast. Zesty, persistent with a ripe, almost tropical fruit profile. Melon, green pineapple and white flowers. A hard wine not to like! 2024-2036

94

**Celler Mas Amfres Odisseu 2023**

Understated complexity; ripe golden apples, quince, tarragon and smashed chalk. Ripe and fleshy, but well balanced by the lively acidity. Excellent! 2024-2034

94

**Edetaria Seleccio 2021**

One of the great white wines of Catalunya and a consistently excellent Garnacha Blanca. Ripe, waxy and floral with an alpine freshness, this is an incredibly complete wine. Broad, waxy acidity and a mouth-watering finish. 2024-3034

94

**Edetarian Terrenal 2015**

Soft, round and waxy, with touches of honey, nuts and lanolin. Deliciously broad but time to drink up if you have any of this vintage still knocking around! 2020-2026

94

**El Mas de L'A Les Margues 2021**

Oxidative and funky, in the best possible way. Bruised stone and orchard fruits, gunpowder and wild herbs; deliciously wild and slightly grippy with it. Serious wine. There's a lot to like here. 2024-2030

94

**Enric Soler Improvisacio 2023**

Lemon pith, fennel, freshly cut grass and a tight, toastiness on the nose; subtle, but the intensity is there on the palate, driven by a core of vibrant acidity. Another fantastic Improvisacio. 2025-2034

- 94** **Enric Soler Istiu 2023**  
Phenolic and savoury on the nose, with that tell-tale line of brilliant acidity that defines so many of Enric's wines. Effortlessly persistent. 2025-2034
- 94** **Enric Soler Malvasia Fina 2016**  
Malvasia de Sitges aged under a thin layer of flor for 2-3 months, before a long bottle age. Salty orchard fruits, honey, quince and roasted nuts on the nose – evoactive and delicious. Incredible acidity with a citric squeeze on the finish. Very savoury. 2026-2040
- 94** **Jane Ventura Finca els Camps Macabeu 2023**  
Consistently one of the very best Macabeos in Catalunya. Savoury, smoky and so persistent; incredible drive and freshness. Lemon-curd, stone fruits and green fruits. 2024-2038
- 94** **Jane Ventura Malvasia de Sitges 2023**  
Smoky, high toned and aromatic; almost Rieslingesque in style! Steely acidity carries the flavours well into the chalky finish. 2024-2032
- 94** **L'Enclos de Perabla Tofol 2022**  
Waxy, phenolic and bursting with yellow fruits. So very Macabeo and absolutely delicious! Already one of the best varietal Macabeo wines in the entirety of Catalunya. 2024-2034
- 94** **L'Enclos de Peralba Betzinera 2022**  
This really showcases the herbal side of Xarel.lo, with masses of tarragon, fennel and snappy, herbaceous notes, wrapped around a core of green fruits. Gently spicy, with a chalky, dry finish. 2024-2034
- 94** **L'Enclos de Peralba Els Presseguers 2023**  
A stunning bottle of Xarel.lo; steely, herbal, peach and sappy, all wrapped around a gorgeous spine of acidity. Perfectly balanced and already drinking so well. 2024-2034
- 94** **Lafou de Rams 2020**  
A complex, shifting wine; dried, ripe orchard fruits, beeswax, orange pith, hazelnuts and dried herbs. Fascinating and delicious. 2024-2032
- 94** **Mas Vilella Blanc 2021**  
Broad, waxy and electric on the palate; green pineapples, mango and apricot. Touches of smoke and phenolic savouriness on the long, citric finish. 2024-2034
- 94** **Oliver Viticultors La Temptacio 2021**  
Another brilliant Malvasia de Sitges – smoky, phenolic and rugged, wrapped around a core of ripe, stone and tropical fruits. Brilliant acidity – lancing through the wine. Makes you come back for another glass immediately. 2024-2034
- 94** **Scala Dei Massipa Garnacha Blanca 2022**  
Honeyed tinges on waxy orchard fruits; a very Garnacha Blanc/Chenin Blanc combination! Incredible acidity from the 30% of Chenin Blanc, whilst the broad shoulders and weight of the fruit comes from the old-vine Garnacha Blanca. Very complete. 2024-2032
- 94** **Venus La Universal Dido Blanc 2022**  
A wine that seems to go from strength to strength, especially since Sara included a portion of Brisat Macabeo into the mix. Bruised apples, fennel, orchard fruits and chamomile; delicately nutty, fresh and mouth-coating. 2024-2028

94

**Vinyes Domenech Rita 2013**

A beautifully aged Garnacha Blanca. Deliciously waxy and floral, with notes of dried white peach, nuts and honey. Layers of flavour; a real treat! 2018-2028

93

**Alta Alella Caus D'En Enis 2023**

Bright, classic Xarel.lo – or Pansa Blanca – from Alella. Gently herbaceous with lovely, soft acidity. A lovely wine! 2024-2032

93

**Autocton Celler Gran Autocton Blanc 2021**

A nice mixture of different ripeness levels here, showcasing fruit from citrus through the spectrum to green pineapple, complemented by toast, butter and fennel. Broad, persistent acidity keeps this lively on the palate – a complex and complete wine. 2024-2034

93

**AVGVSTVS Microvinificanion Macabeo 2018**

Macabeo, when ripe and properly handled, can have a very long life span. This is still so fresh at seven years old, full of that phenolix smokiness, textural waxiness and green fruited, nutty flavours that are so inviting. In a great spot! 2022-2032

93

**Can Rafols dels Caus Gran Caus Blanc 2022**

Very complete and settled after a year to allow the components to marry in bottle. White peach, chamomile and honey on the nose, supported by broad, waxy acidity. 2024-2034

93

**Castell d'Encus Ekam Essencia 2021**

Classic, Mosel Riesling in style; high-toned, crisp and appley, with notes of petrol, white flowers and sharp lemon. Medium sweet on the palate, softening the acidity and creating tension that lasts into the finish 2024-2040

93

**Castell d'Encus Taleia 2021**

So varietally Sauvignon Blanc; all grassy, herbaceous notes, fresh lemon, crisp green apples and freshly cut grass. Bright and driven on the palate – an excellent example of the grape! 2024-2030

93

**Celler Pinol Anima L'Avi Arrufi 2023**

Not to be confused with the similar sounding "L'Avi Arrufi", this wine sees no time in oak. As a result, it's flintier and more savoury, but with the same incredible array of flavour. Delicious. 2024-2034

93

**Celler Pinol L'Avi Arrufi 2023**

Full bodied, creamy and so very flavourful. Lemon curd, golden apples, white peach and a light touch of honey. Lovely! 2024-2032

93

**Cervoles Blanc 2022**

A blend of Macabeo and Chardonnay, with the smoky, phenolic character of the Macabeo shining through clearly. Sappy, fresh and fruity, with a creamy texture. Very nice! 2024-2030

93

**Coca i Fito D'Or 2023**

A classic blend of Garnacha Blanca and Macabeo; waxy, smoky and with great fruit presence on the palate. Lovely, bracing acidity and just a touch of grip on the palate. 2024-2034



93

**Companyia Viticola Sileo Costers de Cornudella Blanc 2022**

A lovely, complete wine. Slightly smoky and phenolic on the nose, giving way to reveal more classic notes of ripe peach and yellow apples, sappy herbs and jasmine. Lovely, sunny Garnacha Blanca. 2024-2032

93

**Eudald Massana Brea 2023**

A mixture of white wine and orange wine, this has a lot going for it. Orange peel, dried white flowers, ripe peach and bruised apples. Chalky, fresh and driven. 2024-2030

93

**Herència Altés Benufet Garnacha Blanca 2023**

Huge value for money here, with this lifted, bright example of Garnacha Blanca. Herbal and clean, with notes of sweet tarragon, lemon, ripe pear and white peach. Mouth-watering and moreish – a lot of wine for the money! 2024-2030

93

**Josep Grau Granit**

This is excellent. Bright and citric, with layers of ripe orchard fruit revealing themselves with time in the glass. Lightly waxy and subtly grippy. 2024-2030

93

**L'Enclos de Peralba Tres Feixes 2022**

Ripe orchard fruits, chamomile, tarragon and a hint of smoke on the nose; very alluring and gently aromatic. Softer and rounder on the palate, with all the weight of Garnacha Blanca. Lovely! 2024-2030

93

**Lafou Els Amellers 2023**

Classic Garnacha Blanca; ripe orchard fruits, chamomile, lemon curd and a savoury, leesy quality to the finish. Broad, waxy and really very persistent. A lovely wine! 2024-2032

93

**Mas d'en Gil Coma Calcari 2021**

Another hit from a winery I'm coming to associate with making some of the best, classic wines in Priorat. Ripe orchard fruits, chamomile and flint, with some noticeable wood on the nose and the palate. Broad, driven acidity to balance the ripeness of the fruit. 2024-2030

93

**Parés Baltà Amphora Roja 2023**

100% Xarel.lo, fermented in clay amphorae using indigenous yeasts. There's a slight oxidative quality to this; bruised apples, hazelnuts, fennel and a touch of earthiness. It's so very Xarel.lo, with that bright acidity and sappy herbal tones. Lovely! 2024-2030

93

**Ritme Blanc 2022**

30% aged in French oak, this is a really classic example of Garnacha Blanca from Priorat. Ripe, waxy orchard fruits, smoke, dried herbs and toasted nuts. Broad, textured and with effortless weight and presence on the palate. 2024-2034

93

**Sabate i Coca Terroja 2017**

Maturing, delicious Xarel.lo, getting into the sweet spot at eight years of age. Bruised apple, hazelnuts, toast, dried fennel and chalk. Soft and mouth-coating yet still shimmering with energy. A lovely wine in a great spot to drink. 2020-2030

93

**Terroir al Limit Terra de Cuques Blanc 2023**

60% Garnacha Blanca, 40% PX, the florality of this wine is a lovely foil to the ripeness and waxiness of the Garnacha fruit. Stunning aromatics; a wine to sniff all day. 2024-2030

93

**Torres Clos Ancestral Blanco 2023**

A blend of Forcada and Xarel.lo, aged in stainless steel with three months on the fine lees. Great complexity here; a mixture of ripe green and stone fruits, fresh herbs, jasmine and wet stones. Bright and fluid. A winning combination! 2024-2034

93

**Torres Milmanda 2021**

Elegant, classic Chardonnay – not very Penedes but it has become an icon in its own right. Juicy, ripe pears, white peach, vanilla and butter. Immaculately balanced and very complete. 2024-2034

93

**Trossos del Priorat Abracadabra 2021**

Full bodied and intense; dusty yellow apples, tarragon, white flowers and a touch of smoke. Broad, full and waxy, narrowing to a point on the finish. Very good! 2024-2034

93

**Vall Llach Colomer Vi de Paratge 2023**

This wine is slowly going into itself. Broad, persistent and slightly reductive; there's a crispness to the wine despite the waxy texture. Amazingly driven acidity, courtesy of the Carinyena Blanca that makes up 50% of the blend. Very good and a serious project for the future. 2024-2032

93

**Vall Llach Porerra Vi de Vila Blanc 2023**

Driven, waxy and nutty with it. Enormous concentration on the palate; a beautiful expression of Garnacha Blanca. 2024-2034

93

**Venus La Cartoixa 2020**

Varietal Xarel.lo from Montsant; still unique, despite a few increased plantings here and there! Bright, lemony and herbal – classic Xarel.lo! A sunny, slightly nutty example. Gorgeous acidity. 2024-2030

93

**Vins el Cep Pla del Boscq 2023**

A very complete Xarel.lo Vermell. Bright and pure fruited, with smoky phenolic touches around the edges, highlighting the core of delicious fruit. Excellent! 2024-2032

92

**Abadal Picapoll 2023**

Piercingly aromatic; green fruits, nettles, white peach and wild flowers on the nose. This is a great vintage of Picapoll, with a soft, fluid texture on the palate to match. Delicious! 2024-2032

92

**Anima Mundi Gres 2023**

More great QPR! Lemony fresh and herbal, with a riper core of white peach and apricot. A lovely, chalky texture shows a touch of dry extract. Excellent. 2024-2032

92

**Aymar & Castell de Pujades Xarel.lo Vermell 2023**

Easily confused with a rosé due to the colouration of the Xarel.lo Vermell, but this is a white wine through and through. Slightly reductive, with notes of bruised apples, berry fruits and wild herbs. 2024-2030

92

**Bell Cros L'Addicio 2022**

An endearing mixture of both ripe and slightly dried orchard fruits, orange pith and toasted hazelnuts. Lovely, dry grip on the palate from the whisper of tannins. 2024-2030

92

**Biopaumera Blanc de Noirs 2023**

A Blanc de Noir made from Garnacha Tinta, there's a lovely mixture of raspberry fruit and stone fruits, with a tropical core of pineapple and mango. Creamy and soft. A really interesting mixture of aromas and flavours here. 2024-2028

92

**Can Lleo Brisat Macabeo Vinya Meix 2022**

What a way to use 50 year old Macabeo! Enticingly aromatic, with notes of orange peel, smoke, ripe and dried peach and toasted nuts. Gently grippy and really, very Macabeo; expansive and yet direct. Very nice Brisat! 2024-2030

92

**Castell do Remei Gran Reserva Blanc 2019**

Catalunya's answer to Tondonia Blanco; heavily oaked, nutty, savoury and yet still so alive and driven. Unashamedly old-school and all the more lovely for it. 2024-2034

92

**Castellroig So Sere 2019**

In a great spot right now; the waxy, almost olive-like aroma of chestnut is mingling with the ripe stone fruits and citrus just so. Delicately nutty on the finish. 2024-2026

92

**Celler Credo Aloers**

Credo's ability to pack so much flavour into wines with such modest ABVs is remarkable. White peach, jasmine, fennel and crunchy green apples, all over a chalky, textured palate. Delicious! 2024-2030

92

**Celler Credo Ratpenat 2021**

A subtle, elegant style of Macabeo, with so much flavour packed into a light ABV. Smoky, phenolic and packed with green and stone fruits. 2024-2030

92

**Celler La Vinyeta Microvins CaB 2023**

Varietal Carinyena Blanca from young vines in Emporda. Sappy, chalky and ripe, with a great core of stone fruits. Very little impact from the oak ageing, but that's partly because of the strength of the fruit. Gorgeous! 2024-2038

92

**Clos Alkio Aino 2022**

Another understated wine that takes a little time to coax out of its shell. The wait is worth it. Ripe orchard fruits, chamomile, tarragon and sappy herbs. Toasty and perfectly rounded on the palate. Very Garnacha Blanca with a nod to the 60% of PX that makes up the majority of the blend. 2024-2032

92

**Clos Pachem Licos 2022**

Lovely Garnacha weight and fat to this, with lovely acidity to keep it refreshing. All white peach and Apricot, with touches of sweet tarragon, white flowers and grass. 2024-2032

92

**Covides Mas Linda Vi de Mas Xarel.lo 2023**

Understated yet persistent, with bright acidity driving the lemony freshness and sappy herbal characters into a long, dry finish. 2024-2030

92

**Eudald Massana Avi Ton 2021**

Chalky, fresh and very varietal, with a slight chalky grip and no shortage of bright, citric and green fruited flavours. 2024-2032

92

**Finca Viladellops Seleccio Tres Xarel.los 2023**

Bright green fruits, lemon zest, toasted wood and crunchy fennel. Classic Xarel.lo. Finishes with a dry, chalky grip. 2024-2034

- 92** **Herència Altés La Musaranya 2023**  
Broad, waxy and quietly persistent; all lemon curd, ripe orchard fruits and fresh pastry dough. Classic and with that endearing touch of gentle bitterness on the finish. 2024-2030
- 92** **Jean Leon Vinya Gigi 2023**  
Ripe and creamy, well balanced by the refreshing acidity. Stone fruited, lemon-curd and pastry dough on the nose, with a dry, tapered finish. 2024-2030
- 92** **Joan Ametller Clos Mustardo Blanc 2021**  
A medley of ripe peach, apricot and yellow apples, complemented by chamomile and a touch of warm custard. Fluid, bright and like all good Garnacha Blanca, softly textured. Great weight. 2024-2032
- 92** **Josep Foraster Blanc Seleccio 2023**  
Fresh, waxy and slightly mealy; a sort of pastry dough savoury twist to the finish. A lovely wine! 2024-2030
- 92** **Josep Grau Carines 2022**  
Creamy and ripe but exceptionally well balanced; lemon-curd, ripe orchard fruits and touches of white flowers bely a savoury twist to the finish. Complete! 2024-2030
- 92** **L'Enclos de Peralba Blanc 2023**  
Fresh, steely and delicately herbal; this is a solid, entry level Xarel.lo. Fresh apple, crushed stones, crunchy fennel and even a touch of chamomile. Very complete. 2024-2030
- 92** **Martia Fabra Masia Carreras Blanc 2022**  
Creamy, rich and mouth-coating, yet with a bright line of acidity to keep this lively and interesting. Very good. 2024-2028
- 92** **Mas Blanch i Jove Troballa Blanca 2023**  
Creamy, soft Garnacha Blanca; golden apples, chamomile, custard powder and a mealy, savoury character. 2024-2030
- 92** **Mas Rodo Macabeu 2021**  
Broad, chalky ad packed with fresh orchard fruits, pastry dough, white fruits and toast. 2024-2032
- 92** **Maset Natura Xarel.lo 2023**  
Wonderful QPR! Ripe white peach, juicy pears, jasmine and fennel. Gently chalky and very complete. 2024-2032
- 92** **Olivardots Blanc de Gresa 2022**  
Powerful and ripe, with a sense of restraint on the palate. Lovely, soft orchard fruits, hazelnuts and toasted wood. 2024-2030
- 92** **Olivardots Groc d'Amfora 2023**  
A blend of mostly white Grenache, Macabeu, Grey Grenache and Carinyena Blanc. Lightly honeyed and wonderfully floral, with a sort of pine-needle freshness permeating throughout the wine. Very well done! 2024-2030

- 92 Oriol Rossell Les Cerveres 2023**  
Tangerine pith, ripe white peach, smoke and a touch of vanilla from six months in new oak. Aromatically gorgeous! 2024-2032
- 92 Parés Baltà Ginestra 2023**  
An excellent Gewurztraminer, with all of the incredible aromatics, but focused around a well defined, core of ripe stone and tropical fruits. Perfumed, fresh and well balanced. 2025-2030
- 92 Partida Bellvisos Gratallops Blanco 2021**  
Smoky and tense, with an enticing lemon curd and orchard fruit character. Understated, leesy savoury character on the palate mingled with the fruit; very nice! 2024-2030
- 92 Propietat d'Espiells Viver Espiells 2024**  
Layers of ripe stone fruits, green pineapple and raw honey. Electric acidity. 2024-2032
- 92 Terroir al Limit Historic Blanc 2022**  
A classic. Ripe orchard fruits, chamomile and a touch of smoky phenolic characters from the 25% Macabeo. Creamy, lovely and very well priced. 2024-2028
- 92 Torella 50 Lliures 2023**  
Pure fruited and driven; crunchy green apples, juicy pears and fresh, sappy herbs. Chalky, mouth-watering and very drinkable! 2024-2032
- 92 Torre del Vegeur Raim de la Immortalitat Xarel.lo 2022**  
65 year old Xarel.lo bush vines go into this flagship wine; a broad, riper expression of the grape. Lemon curd, toasted wood, ripe white peach and apricot. Very well made and a wine that should age well. 2024-2030
- 92 Vins el Cep Les Madones 2023**  
Chalky, long and very, very fresh! Green pineapple, crunchy green apples and wild flowers. A touch of honey on the long finish. 2024-2034
- 92 Vinyes del Terrer Blanc del Terrer 2023**  
Waxy stone fruits, white flowers and a touch of nuttiness on the nose. Broad, soft acidity and no shortage of fruit weight. A lovely wine! 2024-2030
- 91 Acustic Blanc 2023**  
A white Grenache blended from multiple fermentation vessels, resulting in a classic, well balanced style. Ripe orchard fruits, pressed white flowers and toasted wood on the nose, with plenty of soft, persistent acidity to give the wine life on the palate. 2024-2030
- 91 Agricola de Garriguella i Rabos Ergo Blanco 2024**  
An interesting mixture of aromas from the white and grey Garnacha. White peaches, orange peel, white flowers and sweet herbs, but with something slightly darker, more phenolic. Lovely and refreshing. 2024-2030
- 91 Autocton Celler Blanc 2021**  
Savoury, leesy and herbal, with notes of bright lemon, green fruits and pears. 2024-2034
- 91 Can Serra Valentina 2023**  
A blend of Macabeo and Picapoll Blanc, aged in old barrels for three months. White peach, muted florals, green fruits. Bright, fresh and lemony. 2024-2032

- 91** **Can Valles Xarel.lo 2023**  
Bruised apples, tarragon, lemon zest and green apples. Classic and very well made. 2024-2032
- 91** **Cara Nord Blanc 2023**  
Ripe melon and apricot fruit, with notes of butter, cream and pastry dough. Juicy but restrained. 2024-2028
- 91** **Celler Aixala i Alcait Pardelasses 2023**  
Ripe stone and orchard fruits mingle with toast from the ageing process, and a beautiful note of fresh mint. Soft, fresh and really well rounded. 2024-2030
- 91** **Celler Jordi Miro Garnatxa Blanca 2023**  
Great value for money! Creamy, waxy and well defined, with lemon curd, chamomile and honey dew melon. 2024-2028
- 91** **Celler Massis de L'Albera Les Tortugues 2023**  
A varietal Garnacha Gris; not a common sight. Oxidative stone fruits, dried grass, jasmine and cashew nuts. Excellent balance between the fresh and more dried fruit components. 2024-2030
- 91** **Cellers Alsina Inhospit 2022**  
An equal blend of Xarel.lo and Malvasia de Sitges from 25 year old vines – gorgeous acidity. Like a beam of light through the entire wine. Stone fruited, citric and delicately herbal. 2024-2034
- 91** **Clos d'Agon Blanco 2020**  
A very nutty, oxidative style of wine; packed with bruised stone fruits, almond paste, dried grass and touches of smoke. 2024-2032
- 91** **Costers del Sio Pla del Lladoner 2023**  
Remarkably pale in colour and aromatically lovely; ripe white peach, apricot and fresh cream. A light touch of oatmeal on the dry finish. 2024-2030
- 91** **Ferre i Catasus DOS Blanc 2021**  
Vermentino fermented in stainless steel and aged in glass demi-john; a little bit Wild West but why not? Yellow fruited with aromas of green olives, almonds and something waxy and phenolic. Creamy on the finish, with more of the fruit than the savoury characters. 2024-2034
- 91** **Herència Altés Garnacha Blanca 2023**  
Direct and straight forward, but very well made. Ripe, juicy pears, chamomile and a softly waxy texture. 2024-2028
- 91** **Jane Ventura Xarel.lo Vinyes Velles 2023**  
Bruised apples, pressed white flowers, chalk and sappy, fresh herbs. Zesty! 2024-2030
- 91** **Jaume Grau Sumoll Blanc Coleccio 2022**  
Smoky and bright; ripe stone fruits, dried herbs and chalky, finely grained tannins. 2024-20

- 91** **Joan Grill El Tiet 2023**  
A small production, made from 70 year old Chardonnay vines. Creamy, fresh and quietly complex. A lovely bottle of wine for the price. 2024-2032
- 91** **Mas Doix Murmuri 2023**  
Leesy, savoury Macabeo from 25 year old vines on steep slopes near Gratallops. Nice, ripe stone fruit and sappy herbs to complement the savoury characters. 2024-2032
- 91** **Nadal X Col·leccio 2021**  
So juicy! White peach, fennel, hazelnuts and lemon curd. Lots of fun to drink and very classically Xarel.lo. 2024-2032
- 91** **Oliver Viticultors Brots Xarel.lo 2021**  
Crisp, herbal and slightly spicy. A very direct style of Xarel.lo with an endearing, chalky grip. 2024-2030
- 91** **Parés Baltà Espigol 2023**  
Phenolic and smoky, with waxy orchard fruits lying underneath. Direct, persistent and incredibly zippy, with mouth-watering acidity. 2024-2034
- 91** **Sabate i Coca Castellroig So Blanc 2023**  
A chiselled, direct sort of Xarel.lo; lemon zest, snappy green fruits, wet stones and a light herbaceous character. Very likeable! 2024-2030
- 91** **Sant Josep Vins Laquarta Blan 2N Any V.V 2023**  
Fresh, crisp and with great weight on the palate. Ripe orchard fruits, chamomile and freshly cut grass. 2024-2028
- 91** **Single Vineyard Collectors Partida La Ricofa 2023**  
50 year old Macabeo vines, aged in glass demijohns. Phenolic, smoky and pure fruited, with lovely, sappy herbs complementing the stone fruits. Very Macabeo. 2024-2032
- 91** **Terra i Vins Bruixola Blanca 2020**  
Ripe orchard fruits, jasmine and a savoury, bread dough character. Lots of Garnacha Blanca presence on the palate but well balanced by the lively acidity. Nice wine! 2024-2030
- 91** **Tocat de l'Ala Blanc 2023**  
Juicy, ripe melon, white peach, jasmine and smoke on the nose. Juicy, fresh and moreish. 2024-2028
- 91** **Torello Gran Crisalys 2023**  
Toasted and oaky on the nose, opening up to creamy, ripe stone fruits and hazelnuts on the palate. More Chardonnay than Xarel.lo! 2024-2032
- 91** **Torre del Vegeur Maricel 2023**  
A real tropical fruit salad here and incredibly floral with it. Immediately engaging and inviting, carried by persistent, broad acidity. This would be a real crowd pleaser! 2024-2032
- 91** **Vinicola del Priorat Terrers de Llicorella PX 2022**  
High toned and very aromatic. Juicy ripe pears and honeydew melon complemented by a medley of white flowers, and supported by bright acidity. Not overly complex but well defined. 2024-2030

91

**Vins del Tros Finca La Novena 2022**

Understated Garnacha Blanca; the sort of wine that grows on the palate with each sip. Ripe stone fruits, wet stones and sappy herbs. 2024-2030

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**Vins el Cep Clot del Roure 2023**

Mealy, savoury and delicately grippy on the palate. Well defined stone fruited profile and a touch of bitterness on the finish. 2024-2030

91

**Vinyes del Terrer Blanc del Terrer 2021**

Very herbaceous, with the asparagus quality of older Cabernet Sauvignon. Crisp, vegetal and lightly textured. 2024-2025

91

**Vinyes Domenech Vinyes Velles de Macabeu 2022**

Classically smoky and phenolic; very Macabeu! Lemon curd, petrol, tarragon and toast – an unusual collection of aromas but one that you learn to love with the grape! 2024-2030

90

**Acustic Auditori Blanc 2022**

Ripe, smoky and sunny Garnacha Blanca, blended with a little Xarel.lo and Macabeu. Great freshness. 2024-2030

90

**Albet i Noya 3 Macabeus 2024**

It's remarkable how so much flavour can be in an 11.5% ABV wine. This selection of Macabeu from three different parcels around the Penedes is simple, fresh and supremely well balanced. Bright, snappy and delicately smoky. 2025-2029

90

**Altavins Seleccio Garnacha Blanca 2021**

There's so much wonderful fruit here, hiding behind a veritable wall of oak. With any luck, it makes an appearance in a year or two! 2024-2028

90

**Aymar & Castell de Pujades Xarel.lo 2023**

Classic Xarel.lo; citrus, green fruited and herbaceous, with mouth-watering, crisp acidity. 2024-2030

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**Bielsa Ruano Solista Garnatxa Blanca 2022**

Ripe and oaky, owing to 12 months in new French oak; toasted hazelnuts, wood, ripe orchard fruits and a touch of tarragon. 2024-2030

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**Can Feixes Blanc Tradicio 2022**

Direct and fresh, with a mouth-coating texture. Boldly fruity but refreshing with it. 2024-2030

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**Can Valles XAXAXA 2022**

Reductive, flinty and incredibly bright. Great fun and a wonderful introduction to Xarel.lo. 2024-2032

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**Castell del Remei Oda Blanc 2022**

Ripe white peach, apricot and toasted wood. Gently persistent. 2024-2028

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**Celler Alimara Llumí Blanc 2022**

Reductive and lively, with bright acidity to lift the orchard fruits and animate the palate. 2024-2030



- 90** **Celler AVGVSTVS FORVM Xarel.lo +100 2022**  
Crisp green fruits, lemon zest, jasmine and fresh herbs. Direct, bright and very refreshing. 2024-2030
- 90** **Celler Credo Mirabelles 2019**  
Driven, fresh and softly textured, with glimpses of the ripe fruit and phenolic smokiness that make Malvasia de Sitges such an interesting grape. 2024-2028
- 90** **Celler Gritelles Vedrenyes 2023**  
Oxidative orchard fruits; nutty, slightly honeyed and with a pressed, white flower sort of florality. Nice structure and easy to drink. 2024-2030
- 90** **Celler Jordi Miro Textura 6 2023**  
Varietal Garnacha Blanca, aged in oak barrels for 4 months. Soft, creamy and noticeably toasted. 2024-2028
- 90** **Celler Masroig Les Sorts Blanc 2023**  
Well made and very "correct", with plenty of golden apple, white peach and white flowers. Delicately leesy and fresh with it. 2024-2028
- 90** **Celler Mes Amfres L'Arquitecte 2023**  
Phenolic and smoky; classically Macabeo. Bright citrus fruits and a mealy twist to the finish. 2024-2028
- 90** **Clos d'Agon Fermentado en Barrica 2023**  
Varietal Viognier; buttery and incredibly floral, with the fruit-salad quality that we all love. Soft, round and generously textured. 2024-2026
- 90** **Clos Montblanc Xipella 2023**  
Fresh, crisp and engaging; full of crisp green fruits, white flowers and sweet herbs. 2024-2028
- 90** **Coller Cooperatiu de Gandesa Puresa Garnatxa Blanca 2022**  
Soft, gentle Garnacha Blanca; all orchard fruits, chamomile and a creamy, round texture. 2024-2030
- 90** **Edetaria Via Edetana 2023**  
A direct, refreshing sort of wine. Very Garnacha Blanca on the palate with the weight of fruit and waxy texture. 2024-2030
- 90** **Ferre i Catusus Love is Garnatxa 2022**  
Herbal, waxy and lightly floral. Nice weight from the 35 year old Garnacha Blanca, supported by crisp acidity. 2024-2034
- 90** **Garrigueta I Rabos Finca Les Roques 2023**  
Soft persistence; ripe apricots and pears with a chalky minerality. Beautiful acidity – persistent without ever being sharp. 2024-2030
- 90** **Joam Ametler Clos Corriol Blanc 2023**  
Fresh, herbal and delicately creamy; this is really fantastic QPR from Priorat! Lovely savoury twist to the finish. 2024-2030

- 90 Mas Blanch I Jove Sao Blanc 2023**  
Phenolic, smoky and white fruited; very Macabeo! A touch of toast from six months of barrel ageing, but this is all about the freshness of the fruit and the delicate florals. 2024-2028
- 90 Maset La Soledad 2022**  
Buttery, oaky, ripe Chardonnay. Very old-school but well made! 2024-2028
- 90 Nadal X 2023**  
Ripe and well structured – ripe orchard fruits, apricot, fennel and lemon curd. Mealy and savoury from five months on its lees. 2024-2030
- 90 Nadal X Vermell 2023**  
Oxidative, smoky and phenolic. Deliciously savoury but so fresh with it. 2024-2030
- 90 Parés Baltà Calcari 2023**  
Bright, well defined Xarel.lo; ripe green apples, sappy herbs, fennel and jasmine on the nose. Direct, creamy yet persistent. Very nice. 2024-2030
- 90 Propietat d'Espiells Miranda D'Espiells 2024**  
Delicately creamy and soft, with aromas of ripe white peach, apricot and green apples. Direct, refreshing Chardonnay. 2024-2028
- 90 Sumarroca Il.logic Xarel.lo 2023**  
Stone fruited and chalky, with a delicate herbaceous character to the wine. Lemony fresh and very direct. 2024-2028
- 90 Sumarroca Marger 2022**  
A wonderful combination of Xarel.lo and Macabeo; phenolic, smoky and herbal with it. Direct, bright and refreshing. 2024-2032
- 90 Torre del Veguer Fonoll 2023**  
Bright, lively Xarel.lo and Xarel.lo Vermell; all crunchy green fruits, lemon zest and a dry, chalky finish. 2024-2028
- 90 Vallformosa Parellada Muscat 2023**  
Incredible aromatics; all the fruit salad and florality of Muscat combined with the texture of Parellada. A lovely combination. 2024-2028
- 90 Vins Algars Trufes Blanc 2023**  
Subtle aromatically, but there's good ripeness and weight on the palate White peach, cut grass and chamomile, with an endearing bitterness to the finish. 2024-2028
- 90 Vins de Taller Baseia 2023**  
Varietal Viognier; buttery, soft and floral with sweet touches from the baking spices of the new French Oak. 2024-2026

# Orange

- 95** **Albet i Noya El Bosc Negre 2022**  
Another superb Brisat, this time concentrating the classic Xarel.lo character. Dried apples, peaches and orange peel, with a lightly honeyed touch. Just a whisper of tannin rounds off this beautifully complex wine. 2024-2032
- 95** **Parés Baltà Amphora Brisat 2023**  
Very akin to the 2022, but with an extra level of intensity. Simply gorgeous. 2024-2036
- 94** **Herència Altés Trementinaire 2021**  
Orange marmalade, dried apricots, pressed flowers and vanilla on the nose; fantastic aromatics and quite serious on the palate, with a layer of chalky tannin. Really impressive. 2024-2032
- 94** **Mas Martinet Cami Pesseroles 2022**  
A medley of Garnacha Blanca, PX and Picpol from the master of Brisat wines herself. Peach and orange marmalade, hazelnuts and pressed white flowers; soaring aromatics, and just a touch of grip from the tannin structure. Gorgeous stuff and incredibly limited, with just a few hundred bottles made each year. 2024-2034
- 94** **Parés Baltà Amphora Brisat 2022**  
Gently complex, firm and chalky. This is all about those bruised apple notes, crunchy fennel, hazelnuts and even a touch of orange peel. So chalky and fresh. Every year Marta gets more and more adept at making these orange wines. This is excellent! 2024-2034
- 93** **Celler Capçanes Mas Torto Brisat 2022**  
Another excellent Brisat; mouth-coating and broad, with incredible aromatics; dried apricot, peach, marmalade and even some dried herbs. Gently grippy and very complete. 2024-2028
- 93** **Josep Foraster Brisat del Coster 2023**  
A classically styled Brisat wine; grippy, firm and packed full of dried orange peel, dried peach, hay and toasted nuts. Evocative! 2024-2030
- 93** **Olivardots Etheric Rosat Blanc de Noirs 2022**  
An orange wine made with the juice of Carinyena, fermented with white Carinyena skins and left on its lees for eight months. Aromatically unique – an enticing array of dried fruits, veering into the tropical, orange peel and something leesy and savoury. Very good and entirely singular. 2024-2030
- 92** **Mas Llunes Esvetat Blanc 2023**  
Another delicately grippy orange wine; orange peel, bruised stone fruits, dried grass and a gentle nuttiness. Very juicy! 2024-2030
- 92** **Terroir Sense Fronteres Brisat 2023**  
A remarkably delicate Brisat, despite the lengthy skin contact. Ripe orchard fruits, chamomile, touches of orange peel and a lovely, chalky texture. 2024-2030

92

**Vins el Cep Brisats Xarel.lo 2023**

Orange peel, dried peach, hazelnuts and dried grass on the nose. Delicate and powdery – very nice, and not lacking for freshness either! 2024-2030

91

**Celler Jordi Miro Textura 4 Brisat 2023**

Tangerine pith, hazelnuts, dried apple and honey on the nose; oxidative and so delicious with it. A whisper of tannin on the palate is all it needs. Lovely! 2024-2030



# Rosé

- 95** **Terroir Sense Fronteres Coreografia Rosat 2023**  
For me, the best rosé wine of the year. Such a wonderful rosado and so much fun to drink; all strawberry and pomegranate fruits, wild herbs and touches of orchard fruits. Creamy, persistent... oof. Just delicious! 2024-2030
- 94** **Clos Mogador Rosat 2022**  
Remarkable depth for a rosé wine; cranberry, raspberry and pomegranate fruits, with a wet stone character underpinning the ripe fruit and some delicate florals to be teased out. Far more substantial than your typical rosé wine. Very refreshing and with a touch of grip on the palate, too! 2024-2034
- 94** **Venus La Universal Dido "La Solucio Rosa" 2022**  
Another of the regions very best rosado wines; coppery red fruits, wild flowers and warm earth. Savoury and subtle – the sort of wine that builds and builds on the palate. 2024-2032
- 93** **Herència Altés La Tarentina 2024**  
Floral, fresh and wrapped around a strong core of stone fruit. This is exceptionally well balanced, with great concentration of fruit. A big step up vs your average rosado. 2024-2028
- 93** **Herència Altés La Tarentina 2023**  
A serious rosado wine made from Garnacha Peluda and, endearingly, showing great varietal character. Earthy, funk and powdery – full of earthy red fruits, dried herbs and a touch of apple skin. 2024-2030
- 93** **Parés Baltà Radix 2023**  
I love this wine – it absolutely ignores any sort of expectations and does its own thing. Fresh blackberries and plums, crushed violets, fresh thyme and black pepper; such an evocative, expressive style of Syrah. Sweet fruited and juicy. Hard to put down! 2024-2030
- 93** **Partida Bellvisos Gratallops Garnatxa en Sol Pedrer Rosat 2022**  
Coppery pink in the glass. Delicate but substantial, with notes of red apple skin, raspberry, undergrowth and a light nuttiness. Endearingly rustic in style. 2024-2030
- 93** **Scala Dei Rosat 2023**  
Another serious Rosat wine from Priorat; 100% Garnacha from various plots around their vineyards, with a 3-4 day maceration on the skins. Bright strawberry, sappy herbs, rose petals and a touch of pastry dough; surprisingly complete. Great weight and texture here. A lovely wine. 2024-2030
- 91** **Celler Alimara Rosat 2022**  
A lovely deep shade of pink, and the fruit density matches it. Strawberry, red apple and watermelon on the nose, with a pleasant, reductive edge. Very good! 2024-2028
- 90** **Buil & Gine Rosat 2023**  
A lovely deep, pink colour; ripe strawberry and water-melon fruit, with a touch of almond bitterness on the finish. Simple but well done. 2024-2028

# Red

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- 99** **Vall Llach Mas de la Rosa Gran Vinya Classificada 2023**  
 Now, this is a bit special. The depth of the wine takes a while to discern, so deeply layered is it, with an incredible quantity of ripe plum and blackberry fruit, thyme, cedar, crushed rocks and violets. Full, silky tannins coat the palate whilst the acidity keeps it lifted and bright. Just stunning. A knock-out wine. 2024-2044
- 98** **Álvaro Palacios L'Ermitage 2023**  
 Deep, soulful and really, quite a moving wine. Ripe, earthy strawberries, licorice, wild herbs, graphite and the slightest touch of toasted wood, perfectly integrated into the whole. This is a special wine in every vintage, but it feels like it has a touch more this year. Remarkable. 2024-2044
- 98** **Álvaro Palacios Les Aubaguetes 2023**  
 Layers and layers of fruit to unpack here over time; a special vintage of an already exceptional wine. Mixed berry fruits, strawberries and ripe plums mingle with iodine, wild flowers and orange rind. The Carinyena adds that touch of fluidity and drive, whilst the Garnacha just opens like a book. Effortlessly complex and a bit special. 2024-2036
- 98** **Terroir al Limit Les Manyes 2022**  
 Yields were down in 2022 but Les Manyes shines through once again, with its evocative blend of ripe, earthy fruits, potpourri style floral components, pepper and undergrowth. More intense than the 2021 but just as unique. A wine that shifts and grows in the glass. Just stunning. 2024-2032
- 98** **Terroir al Limit Les Tosses 2022**  
 100% Carinyena from the oldest, highest altitude plots in Torroja, Priorat, this wine really comes into its own this vintage. Fluid, electric and yet so intense with it. Layers of dark fruits, iodine, orange peel and a smoky, earthy characteristic. Drink it now or drink it in 20 years. 2024-2044
- 97** **Abadal Arbosset 2021**  
 I first tried this in the 2019 vintage; a medley of 8-10 varieties grown together, and fermented in an open, stone lagar. This year they've absolutely nailed it; this is like drinking the essence of a mountain forest. Berry fruits, wild flowers, orange peel and wet stones. Explosively aromatic and so well defined. A stunning bottle of wine. Put me down for three! 2024-2036
- 97** **Espectacle 2022**  
 Varietal Garnacha from one of the most incredible slopes in Montsant, with vines well over 100 years old. Delicate in style, and so varietally Garnacha; bright raspberry and strawberry fruit, rose petals, sappy herbs and warm earth. Gorgeous floral characters and powdery tannins. A subtle Garnacha but one of the very best. 2024-2032
- 97** **Mas Doix Tossal d'en Bou 2021**  
 So young and so raw, but the material is all here. Layers and layers of dark fruits, violets, dark chocolate and iodine; just emerging after some time in the glass. Soft, powdery tannins are texturally gorgeous, but give this wine a decade if you can! It will be quite special indeed. 2026-2044

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**Mas Martinet Els Eскурcons 2022**

Wild, volcanic, earthy... what a wine! A vineyard planted in the clouds on iron-tinged llicorella; unsurprisingly, this is unique stuff. Firm and full of a sort of alpine freshness, this is a wine to meditate on. A really stunning effort. 2024-2034

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**Scala Dei Sant Antoni 2021**

A beautifully completed Garnacha here; grainy and fresh, with no shortage of verve, but so quietly complete with it. Ripe strawberries, white pepper, wild herbs, wild flowers and perfectly integrated oak. A stunning vintage and a stunning wine. 2024-2036

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**Terroir Sense Fronteres Guix Vermell 2022**

2022 shines through here, with ripe, mixed berry fruits, licorice, white pepper and delicious, sappy herbal tones. Flashes of darker fruits on the palate but this is still very much in the detailed, delicate style of the winery. A remarkable wine. 2026-2044

96

**Álvaro Palacios Finca Dofi 2023**

A phenomenal vintage of Finca Dofi. Elegant, bright, floral and chalky all in one delicious package. Remarkable freshness for such a warm, drought stricken year. Bravo! 2024-2036

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**Álvaro Palacios La Baixada 2023**

Incredibly bright and floral; rose petals, violets, blood orange and raspberry fruits all mingle together here, over a base over fresh, juicy strawberry fruit. Utterly gorgeous Garnacha. Direct, firm and driven, but the aromatics are just something else. 2024-2034

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**Clos Mogador 2022**

A deep, soulful sort of wine. Graphite, dark earth and smoke contribute to the savoury characters here, though there's no shortage of ripe, dark fruits. Chalky, firm and gently floral. This will need some time to come out of its shell but the material is all there. Excellent! 2027-2040

96

**Clos Mogador Les Manyetes 2022**

Carinyena so often thrives in warm conditions, even in hot vineyards such as Les Manyetes, and this 2022 is no exception. Classically styled; all ripe plums, iodine, dried herbs and slightly dried violets. Soft, inviting and so effortlessly long. 2024-2040

96

**Edetaria Lo Mas 2021**

This is a bit special, made from a blend of old vine Garnacha Peluda and Carinyena. This is a wine built to last and there's some obvious oak ageing in here, with sweet vanilla and toast, supporting a beautiful medley of strawberry and damson fruit, violets and dark chocolate. The most modern of the range but really, really well done. 2024-2038

96

**Ferrer Bobet Seleccio Especial 2020**

A gorgeous vintage of this dark, smoky classic. Brooding, deep and structured with ripe plummy fruit, dark chocolate, violets and warm earth. Broad, soft and mouth-coating. Absolutely delicious! 2024-2040

96

**Gralton La Coster del Crivi 2021**

This is gorgeous. A medley of ripe, blue and black fruits on the nose, complemented by crushed rocks, vanilla and violets. Powdery, driven and with layers and layers of flavour. A superb Carinyena. 2024-2034

- 96** **Scala Dei Mas Deu 2021**  
 From Scala Dei's highest vineyards, at 800m above sea level, this is serious Garnacha. Meaty, earthy and herbal with a mixture of red and dried strawberry fruit, warm earth and pepper spice. Firm, fresh and very open for business. Gorgeous! 2024-2038
- 96** **Terroir al Limit Arbassar 2022**  
 These 90 year old Carinyena vines really rode the heat of 2022 brilliantly, resulting in a wine of great intensity, somehow packed into a light, delicate frame; very Dominik and very Terroir al Limit! Incredible depth and a wine that will stand the test of time. 2024-2044
- 96** **Terroir al Limit Dits del Terra 2022**  
 Meatier and fleshier than the Arbassar; softer yet riper with it, and by all accounts, an equally brilliant wine. Deliciously chalky and fine, with an undertow beneath the generous flashes of dark fruit, iodine and wild herbs. 2024-2038
- 96** **Terroir Sense Fronteres Marenca 2023**  
 High altitude Garnacha from the Sierra del Montsant, and the "1er" of the project. The detail here is just incredible; firm, finely etched tannins hold the wine together, packed full of juicy strawberry fruit, licorice, violets and wild herbs. A stunning effort. 2026-2040
- 95** **Abadia de Poblet Tossal de la Salut 2019**  
 Spicy, peppery Garnacha with a maturing, meaty frame to the wine. Dried herbs and white pepper round out the aromas, while the chalky tannin underpins the whole. 2024-2032
- 95** **Abadia de Poblet Voltada 2020**  
 Classic Trepat; berry and raspberry fruits on the nose, with white pepper and crushed rock becoming more present as the wine opens. Grainy, firm and remarkably fresh. So savoury it's almost a little spicy! 2024-2034
- 95** **Buil & Gine Samsó 109 years 2019**  
 Another fantastic Carinyena from the heralded 2019 vintage. Deep, brooding dark fruits, licorice, sappy herbs, iodine and orange rind; great complexity and drive. Fluid, soft and just a pleasure to drink. The real deal. 2024-2044
- 95** **Clos Alkio Fulles Daurades 2021**  
 Ripe, dark plum and blackberry fruit, complemented by sweet vanilla, warm earth and anis. Fluid, soft and effortlessly deep; 100% Carinyena from 80 year old vines. This is exceptionally well judged. A very complete wine! 2024-2036
- 95** **Edetaria Genuina 2020**  
 100% Garnacha Tinta, from a number of vineyards with lighter soil types. Bright and floral, with notes of strawberry, raspberries and violets. The herbal elements come through more strongly on the palate, with the chalky, powdery sensation that good Garnacha is increasingly known for. 2024-2032
- 95** **Edetaria Personal 2021**  
 Wild, peppery and a little untamed here in the very best kind of way. All earthy strawberries, white pepper and mixed berry fruits. Absolutely lovely. 2024-2034
- 95** **Graltón La Sort del Ponent 2021**  
 Bright, spicy and herbal; the Garnacha shines through at these higher altitudes, with the power and persistence of Priorat behind it. Transparent stuff. Really delicious! 2024-2036



- 95** **Herència Altés La Serra Negra 2022**  
A soulful wine. Ripe, deep and fluid; the Carinyena fruit just gushes forth, with plums, damson and blackberry fruit mingled with violets, rose petals and iodine. Fantastic stuff. 2024-2044
- 95** **Herència Altés La Xalamera 2023**  
Perhaps my favourite of the Herència Altés line-up; transparent Garnacha with a wild side to it. Firm, spicy, herbal and so very persistent. A really beautiful expression of both Garnacha and Terra Alta. 2024-2034
- 95** **Josep Foraster Pep 2022**  
Firm and deliciously wild; the more savage of the Trepats cuvees. Fresh raspberry fruit, crushed rocks, undergrowth and violets. Powdery and driven. A great bottling of Pep! 2024-2032
- 95** **Josep Grau Le Florens 2022**  
For me, the jewel in the crown of Josep Grau; old vine Garnacha from various plots around Capçanes in Montsant, aged in cement tanks and foudres. Strawberry sweets, white pepper, dried herbs and a touch of garrigue. Ripe, but with that powdery tannic profile that I've come to love about the wine. 2024-2034
- 95** **Josep Grau Pedrabona 2023**  
A Garnacha/Carinyena medley where the Carinyena shines through in the heat of 2022. Plum and blackberry fruits, iodine, orange peel and a deep, earthy profile. Delicious! 2025-2040
- 95** **L'Enclos de Peralba Els Escorpins 2022**  
A fantastic first bottling of this peppery, reductive, transparent Garnacha. Delicate in style, with masses of gentle complexity. A wine to think on, and one that is likely to go from strength to strength. 2024-2034
- 95** **Marco Abella Roca Bella 2019**  
Varietal Garnacha from a mixture of old and new vineyards. Candied red fruits, white pepper and oregano on the nose: a decent slug of new oak adds some fruit sweetness to the palate. Firm and fresh. 2024-2034
- 95** **Mas d'En Gil Clos Fonta 2018**  
Evocative stuff here, with masses of dried strawberry and cherry fruit, crushed slate, violets and smoke. Chalky, firm and absolutely delicious. Old school at its best. 2024-2034
- 95** **Mas Doix Poboleda Vi de Vila 2023**  
What a beautiful Garnacha! Fresh and elevated, produced from fairly young vines at 25 years old. Wild berries, lavender, warm earth and anise. Grainy and bright – very moreish despite the high ABV! 2024-2034
- 95** **Mas Martinet 2022**  
Meaty, peppery and packed with a medley of ripe, red and dark fruits. The presence of Syrah here is lovely, not least because of the layers of ripe tannin that make this a textural delight. 2024-2034
- 95** **Mas Martinet Cami Pesseroles 2022**  
A layered, deep wine; packed with dark fruits, iodine, violets and crushed rocks. Powdery, fresh and with a hidden power – this is lovely now but just wait for it to blossom! 2024-2040

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**Olivardots Etheric Carinyena Negre 2021**

A barrel fermented Carinyena with whole bunch included – again, a very singular style of wine! Fresh forest fruits, undergrowth, violets and warm earth with just a touch of spicy, herbaceous notes from the whole bunch coming through. Very, very good! 2024-2036

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**Olivardots v1 Carinyena 2019**

Carinyena from slate soils; high toned, gorgeous aromatics and remarkably fine on the palate. Fresh and ripe blackberry and damson fruits, orange peel, crushed rocks and sappy herbs. Layers of powdery tannin fold into the fruit; this is drinking superbly now! 2021-2030

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**Parés Baltà Hisenda Miret 2021**

A gorgeous Garnacha; wild and rugged, but with restraint. Earthy red fruits, white pepper, garrigue and pine needles. A wine of the land more so than the grape itself, with a layer of powdery tannins on the palate. I just love this style of wine. 2024-2036

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**Parés Baltà Moneu 2022**

This wine is yet to be released so I don't even know for sure it will even be called "Moneu", but wow, what a wine! One of the "lost-and-now-recovered" grapes of the Penedes, this is a phenomenal first showing. Ripe blackberry and plum fruits, sappy herbs, dark chocolate and violets. Full and grainy, packed with flavour and best of all, it tastes like it's exactly where it should be. Bravo, Parés Baltà! 2025-2036

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**Sandra Doix MarLa Vi de Paratge Carinyena 2021**

Old vine Carinyena, with vines over 120 years old. Bright and attractive, with notes of mixed berry fruits, fresh thyme and violets, but with real depth and fluidity on the palate. Delicious! 2024-2038

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**Sandra Doix MarLa Vi de Vila Poboleda 2021**

A majority blend of Carinyena with 30% of Garnacha, this is very much in line with the family style and very Carinyena! Flesh, ripe plum and damson fruit with a touch of wild berries, iodine, crushed rocks and a touch of something deep and earthy. Great acidity here and that softness of tannin that Carinyena manages so well, even in cooler years. 2025-2036

95

**Scala Dei Cartoixa 2021**

Direct, spicy and a little wild; mixed berry fruits, earthy strawberries, white pepper and crushed rocks. Firm, grainy and delicious. Very evocative – the flagship wine for a reason. 2024-2040

95

**Scala Dei Pregartera 2021**

A wine made from Garnacha grown close to the winery and only sold at the winery itself. Elegant, floral and beautifully grainy; strawberry, raspberry, violets and garrigue. My kind of Garnacha! 2024-2034

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**Terroir al Limit Terra de Cuques Negre 2022**

Maybe the surprise star of the show! Wow, what huge flavour this has packed into a 13.5% frame! The heat of 2022 really brings out the smaller, Carignan component, with brilliant flashes of damson, blackberry and violets. Firm, fresh and incredibly moreish. Delicious! 2024-2034

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**Vall Llach Mas d'en Cacador 2023**

Wild, aromatic and spicy Garnacha; aged for 12 months in large foudres. Red fruited and ripe, with no hint of oxidative characters here, just lovely wild flowers and pepper spice. 2024-2034

- 95 Vall Llach Vi de Vila 2023**  
A Carinyena led blend, with 20% of Garnacha, aged for 12 months in foudres. Classic Porrera in style; the fluidity of the Carinyena is a great foil for the dark, smoky, earthy character of the wine, punctuated by flashes of bright plum and damson fruit. Excellent! 2024-2040
- 95 Venus La Figuera 2020**  
I actually preferred this to the much heralded 2019! A slight reductive edge gives way to layers of earthy, red fruits, white pepper and violets. Powdery, tense and very moreish. 2024-2034
- 95 Vinyes Domenech Teixar 2019**  
Vinyes Domenech is a spiritual home of Garnacha Peluda; some of the latest harvested grapes in the entire region go into this special cuvee. Spicy, meaty and mouth-coating, with the tell-tale herbal elements of Garnacha Peluda. Complex, powerful and really, a big, bold wine! 2024-2040
- 94 Albet i Noya La Milana 2020**  
One of the few wines that makes me eat my words about international varieties in Catalunya. Ripe and sweet fruited, packed with plum and damson fruit, dark chocolate, wild herbs and vanilla. Soft, grainy and so inviting. A masterclass in tannin management. 2024-2034
- 94 Albet i Noya Marti Reserva 2020**  
One of the more convincing Bordeaux blends in the region. Ripe dark fruits, graphite, bell pepper and gravel. Soft, intense and oaky, but everything is turned up to 10 here. A wine to sit on for a while yet. 2026-2040
- 94 Álvaro Palacios Gratallops 2023**  
The classic elegance of Alvaro's Garnacha is on show this vintage; very fluid, very floral and very inviting. Ripe strawberry, sappy herbs, white pepper and a touch of dried violets. 2024-2034
- 94 Can Rafols dels Caus Montombra Tinto 2021**  
Packed with plummy fruit and dark berries, there's more than a touch of black pepper and smoked meat here. Very Syrah! Fresh, chewy and complex. 2024-2034
- 94 Celler Capçanes Cabrida 2022**  
Trades the elegance of the 2021 for a little extra power; ripe, slightly over-ripe strawberries and raspberries, violets and licorice. Powdery, fresh and slightly warming. Still the single best wine of any co-operative I tried this year. I am already looking forward to trying the 2023. 2024-2032
- 94 Celler Capçanes Els Pajaros 2022**  
100% Carinyena from old vines and aged in 3000L foudres. Remarkably fresh and citric, yet with the depth of old-vine Carinyena at its heart. Soft, powdery tannins make this a very appealing wine to drink young, but it will certainly age! 2024-2034
- 94 Celler de L'Encastell Mas d'En Cacador 2021**  
Lovely definition to this wine despite the scale of it; ripe strawberry and plum fruits, dark chocolate, violets and a touch of vanilla. Great depth, lifted on the palate by lively acidity. Excellent! 2024-2036
- 94 Celler Laurona Pythagora 2020**  
What a fantastic Garnacha! Bright and open, full of strawberry fruits, white pepper, garrigue and smoke. Great varietal definition and intensity. 2024-2030

- 94** **Celler Purgatori Pirene 2022**  
My personal favourite of the recovered varieties; gorgeous, ripe damson fruits, violets, warm earth and undergrowth on the nose. Grainy, fresh and deliciously wild. 2024-2034
- 94** **Clos d'Agon Seleccion Especial 2021**  
Structured, ripe and dark fruited, with hints of bell pepper, graphite and dried violets. 2024-2036
- 94** **Clos Mogador Com Tu 2022**  
So very Figueras in style; ripe red fruits, licorice, garrigue and full of dried, smoky florals. Powdery tannins and fresh acidity frame the fruit on the palate. 2025-2036
- 94** **Edetaria Pedrissa 2020**  
Very, very Carinyena; beautifully defined plum fruit, damsons, orange peel and violets on the nose. Fluid, bright and very persistent. 2024-2040
- 94** **Ferrer Bobet Vinyes Velles 2020**  
Deep, earthy and with a great core of earth-inflected fruit. Grainy and fresh, with no shortage of tannin. Impeccably balanced. 2024-2040
- 94** **Finca Garbet 2021**  
Powerful, ripe Syrah, even in a cooler vintage. Inky dark, ripe blackberry and damson, complemented by notes of black olive, black pepper and licorice. Layers of soft tannin allow the flavour to just flow; quiet decadence. 2024-2032
- 94** **Herència Altés La Borrasonna 2022**  
Another stunning Garnacha and huge value for money; bright raspberry and strawberry fruits, violets, fresh herbs and chalk. Firm, fresh and floral. This is just so inviting. 2024-2032
- 94** **Josep Foraster Julieta 2023**  
Elegant, lifted Trepát; the most delicate and ethereal of all the cuvees here. Cranberry and raspberry fruit, white pepper, crushed rocks and a touch of sweet herbs. A gorgeous wine! 2024-2034
- 94** **Josep Grau El Pas d'Estudiant 2022**  
Structured and earthy, with a medley of bright, slightly dried red fruits. A serious, engaging wine. 2024-2032
- 94** **Lafou El Sender 2021**  
Wow! What a juicy, delicious wine and at an incredible price too. 2021 has really brought this to life. Ripe strawberries, blackberries, black pepper and a touch of tilled earth. Chalky, fresh and so juicy – it's hard to put the glass down! Excellent. 2024-2036
- 94** **Marco Abella Roca Grisa 2020**  
Varietal Carinyena, aged in new oak barrels for 12 months. Great concentration of fruit; all damson and plums, orange peel, thyme and violets, complemented by the sweetness of the new oak. 2024-2038
- 94** **Olivardots V2 Carinyena 2019**  
Classic Carinyena from old vines in sandy soils; ripe plum and blackberry fruits, smoke, warm earth and garrigue. Fresh yet savoury, with plenty of big, soft tannins to make up textural weight. 2022-2030

94

**Oller de Mas Especial Picapoll 2021**

A unique style of wine. Oxidative red fruits, white pepper, wild herbs and only slightly mealy. Incredibly low on tannin but bright, aromatic and very engaging. 2024-2036

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**Scala Dei Heretge 2022**

"Heretical" because of the use of Carignan in Garnacha country, but boy does it work. Dark, plummy fruits, iodine, orange rind and smoke. Deep, fluid and fresh on the palate, with a rock-tinged finish. 2024-2044

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**Terroir Sense Fronteres Coreografia Tinto 2023**

A practically equal blend of Garnacha and Carinyena, from vineyards at almost 700m above Cornudella del Montsant. More red fruited than dark, with lovely hints of iodine and orange peel, framed by a reductive edge. Tense. Brimming with energy! 2024-2034

94

**Terroir Sense Fronteres Vertebra 2023**

Ripe yet delicate, with that enticing, reductive edge to give it a little backbone. Wonderful balance here and all of the ripe strawberry and wild, red florals you expect. Delicious! 2025-2036

94

**Torres Perpetual 2019**

A Carinyena and Garnacha blend from 80-100 year old vines. Fluid, bright and remarkably elegant for Priorat; lovely powdery tannin and vibrant acidity carries the flavours into a long finish. 2024-2030

93

**Acustic Brao 2021**

A powerful, chunky expression of Montsant; ripe plum and blackberry fruits, violets, toast and smoke. Very fluid despite the layers of tannin, with great juiciness to the fruit. 2024-2032

93

**Albet i Noya Crestabox 2022**

A new release from a vineyard close to the winery itself. Alpine freshness and grainy tannins define this Garnacha, with a core of ripe strawberry and garrigue. Subtle, understated and really very good indeed. 2025-2032

93

**Bell Cros El Tracte 2020**

Sappy, fresh and blue fruited, with incredible drive from the bright acidity. A very pretty expression of Carinyena, with lovely soft tannin on the palate and understated florality. 2024-2034

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**Buil & Gine Pleret 2015**

Old-school Priorat here; oaky, ripe but very juicy and well made with it. A lovely medley of ripe and dried black fruits, licorice, smoke and warm earth. Like a big hug in a glass. 2018-2030

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**Celler Pasanau Vi de Vila La Morera de Montsant 2021**

Meaty, floral and spicy; this is old-school Priorat at its best. Ripe, juicy strawberries, thyme, white pepper and violets, flowing over grainy tannin. Lovely! 2024-2032

93

**Celler Pinol Garnacha Peluda 2023**

Transparent, earthy Garnacha Peluda from Terra Alta. Earth inflected strawberries, dried herbs and white pepper. Grainy and refreshing. 2024-2030

- 93** **Celler Purgatori Gonfaus 2022**  
So wonderful to see these recovered varieties out in the world. So floral and dark fruited, with soft, powdery tannins and bright acidity. Very complete as a varietal wine! 2024-2034
- 93** **Clos d'Agon Mas Palet 2020**  
Ripe plum and blackberry fruit, black pepper, dark earth and undergrowth. Savoury, dry and peppery, with layers of grainy tannin. 2024-2032
- 93** **Clos Pachem Planassos 2020**  
Sappy, bright Carinyena. Fresh, well defined Damson fruit complements the crushed rocks and wild violet character of the wine. Soft tannins and vibrant acidity make this a lovely, juicy bottle of Carinyena. 2024-2040
- 93** **Espelt Comabruna 2019**  
Centenarian Carinyena; powerful, ripe and with such effortless depth. Ripe, slightly jammy plum, violets, toast and iodine. A wine to age! 2026-2040
- 93** **Espelt Les Elies 2020**  
Over-ripe strawberry, toast, smoke and oregano on the nose. Savoury, firm and fresh. 2024-2032
- 93** **Finca Garbet 2019**  
Chunkier than 2021, with a riper fruit profile and a more solid base. Peppery, spicy, herbal – very good. 2024-2030
- 93** **Herència Altés La Pilosa 2022**  
So very Garnacha Peluda! Earthy red fruits, smoke, dried herbs and orange peel on the nose; chalky and firm, with a great line of acidity to keep it lively on the palate. 2024-2034
- 93** **Jean Leon Vinya La Scala 2017**  
Old-school, varietal Cabernet Sauvignon; a medley of ripe and dried black fruits, bell pepper, gravel and toasted oak. Chewy and savoury but with plenty of life left. No over extraction here. One for the long haul. 2020-2040
- 93** **L'Enclos de Peralba Negre 2023**  
So juicy and drinkable! A medley of fruits of the forest, wild flowers and a touch of wet stones on the finish. Lots of fine tannin and an earthy undertow complete this. A lot of wine for the money! 2024-2032
- 93** **Marco Abella Clos Abella 2021**  
Ripe, floral and modern in style; ripe plum and blackberry fruits, dark chocolate, candied strawberries, iodine and baking spices. Sweet-fruited and firm, with a lovely spine of acidity. 2024-2028
- 93** **Marco Abella Roca Roja 2020**  
Bright, almost candied red fruits, with some noticeable vanilla and baking spices from new oak maturation. Layers of soft, caressing tannin fall onto the palate, complementing the sweet fruit. Modern and really quite lovely! 2024-2034
- 93** **Martia Fabra Mas Carreras Negre 2021**  
Powerful, ripe Carinyena – ripe and smoky, with all the classic dark earth and iodine character that old-vine Carinyena delivers. Fresh and easy to drink despite the high alcohol, due to the naturally high acidity of the wine. 2024-2034

- 93 Mas Blanch i Jove Troballa Negre 2022**  
100% Grenache from a 20 year old vineyard, aged in old oak barrels for six months. The beauty in this wine is certainly in the Garnacha fruit; it's absolutely packed with bright strawberry fruits, undergrowth and dried violets. Gorgeous! 2024-2034
- 93 Mas d'en Gil Coma Vella Negre 2019**  
Old-school Priorat; a medley of ripe and slightly dried strawberry and berry fruits, garrigue and warm earth. Deliciously powdery tannins. 2024-2034
- 93 Mas Martinet Martinet Bru 2022**  
A Garnacha/Syrah blend from around the Mas Torrent estate in Priorat. Ripe strawberry and plum fruits, licorice, garrigue and an incredible sense of the llicorella soil. Powdery and fresh. A real overachiever! 2024-2034
- 93 Masroig 2021**  
The flagship wine of this excellent co-operative; bright, elegant Carinyena from 60 year old vines. Damson fruits, orange rind and fresh violets. A really convincing wine. Bravo! 2024-2034
- 93 Moli dels Capellans La Coma 2022**  
Bolder and darker on the nose and the palate, with flashes of dark fruit creeping in. Still grainy and refreshing, but with more power now. 2024-2038
- 93 Parés Baltà Absis 2019**  
A very modern, flashy wine with plenty of new oak, but it works thanks to the incredibly ripe medley of red and dark fruits at its core. Peppery, smoky and a little herbaceous with it. 2024-2034
- 93 Parés Baltà Mas Irene 2019**  
Juicy, floral and herbal, with earthy undertones to balance the wine and plenty of chalky tannin. Structured and already ready to drink! 2024-2032
- 93 Partida Bellvisos Gratallops Partida Pedrer 2019**  
Deep, earthy and herbal on the nose; very much a hot, summer, dried-earth group of aromas. Sticky, clay-like tannins add to the weight of the wine. 2026-2036
- 93 Perelada Finca Ex Ex 15 2021**  
Structured, firm and spicy; ripe plum, strawberry, black pepper and sappy herbs. Delicious! 2024-2034
- 93 Ritme Etern 2022**  
A classic style of Priorat; ripe, chewy and powerful, complemented by 12 months in new, French oak. Some lovely florality here to lift that classic profile. 2024-2030
- 93 Sangenis i Vaque Clos Monlleo 2005**  
It's rare for Priorat to age so well for 20 years, but this is exactly why people give it a shot. Complex, savoury and so very moreish. Dried strawberry and plum fruits, mint, tobacco and leather on the nose. Still chunky and old-school but lots of fun. Drink up and enjoy! 2010-2028
- 93 Terroir al Limit Historic Negre 2022**  
Another big hit from the entry levels! Structured, fresh and already so delicious to drink. Damsons, violets, warm earth and wet stones. Complete and lovely. 2024-2030

93

**Terroir Sense Fronteres Tinto 2023**

A brilliant entry level wine in 2023; so delicate yet so well defined. Raspberries, wet stones and sappy herbs – Garnacha meets Burgundy. Great, chalky texture. Stock up! 2024-2032

93

**Tomas Cusine Finca Barqueres 2019**

Mature, evolving Carinyena, all ripe and dried plums, warm earth, petrichor, dried violets and smoke. Grainy and fresh but just starting to dry – time to drink up. 2022-2026

93

**Venus La Universal 2020**

A lively, citric style of Carignan with fresh plum and blackberry fruits, orange peel, violets and a touch of toast. 2024-2032

93

**Vinyes Domenech Amfora 2023**

Firm and chewy, with plenty of bright acidity to animate the red fruit, violets and oregano character on the palate. 2024-2028

93

**Vinyes Domenech Teixar 2020**

A slightly lighter, less concentrated style of Teixar this time around, but still packs quite a whallop. Earthy strawberries, warm earth, wild flowers and toasted wood. Very Teixar! 2024-2034

93

**Vinyes Domenech Teixar 2015**

A warm vintage of Teixar and one that's reaching its perfect spot, with touches of leather, tobacco and dried herbs to complement the earth-inflected fruit and Peluda spice. 2020-2030

93

**Vinyes Domenechs Empelts 2021**

Ancient clones of Garnacha Peluda, top grafted to deep rooted Cabernet Sauvignon. The results are amazing – wild, peppery, earthy and red fruity. Savoury, spicy and a wonderful reflection of this underrated variety. 2024-2034

92

**Abadal Mando 2022**

Such an Autumnal style of wine and so evocative with it. Berry fruits, blood orange, pine needles and a natural, alpine freshness to the wine. Grainy, persistent and just a pleasure to drink, especially due to the natural lighter levels of alcohol. 2024-2034

92

**Acustic Negre 2022**

A Montsant classic; 70% Carinyena and 30% Garnacha from vineyards at close to 500m altitude. Firm, fresh and packed full of red and black fruits. A lovely savoury, rocky twist to the finish brings the wine home. 2024-2034

92

**Altavins Tempus 2021**

Crushed rocks, wild herbs, dried violets and white pepper. Savoury, dusty and very endearing. 2024-2032

92

**Bell Cros La Colina 2023**

A lovely, transparent style of Garnacha; strawberries, white pepper, spicy whole-bunch and a touch of warm earth. 2024-2030

92

**Casa Gran Siurana Anima del Priorat 2023**

Dark fruited, complemented by bell pepper, delicate florals and gravel. Firm, fruity and well made. 2024-2032



- 92** **Castell d'Éncus Quest 2020**  
A classic Bordeaux blend, that just happens to be grown above the clouds in Costers del Segre. Blackberry and blackcurrant fruits, bell pepper, gravel and undergrowth. Well managed and beautifully structured. 2026-2044
- 92** **Castell d'Éncus Acusp 2021**  
Ripe strawberry and raspberry fruits, sois-bois, earthy and with a hint of toast. Such a Burgundy doppleganger. Firm and ready on the palate – not for the long haul. 2024-2028
- 92** **Celler Aixala i Alcait Destranks 2022**  
Oxidative and yet still so fresh, with an assortment of slightly dried red fruits, plum, wild herbs and warm earth. Very authentic and old-school. Lots of fun! 2024-2028
- 92** **Celler Aixala i Alcait Pardelasses 2019**  
A mature blend of Garnacha and Carinyena, with touches of leather and tobacco complementing the evolving, red fruit character. One to enjoy in the short term! 2022-2026
- 92** **Celler Alimara Pinzellada SYR 2022**  
Ripe, plummy fruit, black pepper, thyme and warm earth on the nose; a little shy at first but this opens up quickly. Soft, persistent and juicy on the palate. A nice, varietal Syrah. 2024-2030
- 92** **Celler Ardevol Coma d'En Romeu 2021**  
A surprisingly convincing, modern Priorat! A very modern grape blend but the wine has a deliciously old-school character. Ripe blackberry and plum fruit, charred bell peppers and toasted wood. 2024-2030
- 92** **Celler Crivelle i Valls Llagrimes 2023**  
A modern style of Priorat, with some obvious Bordeaux influences. Mixed berry fruits, cedar, bell pepper and dark plums. Grainy, firm and with great, natural freshness. 2024-2032
- 92** **Celler Crivelle i Valls Llegat 2023**  
A Garnacha and Carinyena blend aged in amphorae; high toned, earthy and full of rich, dark fruit. Soft, fresh and remarkably easy to drink. 2024-2030
- 92** **Celler de l'Era 2020**  
Ripe plum fruit mingled with hints of warm earth, toast, smoke and vanilla. Classic stuff! 2024-2030
- 92** **Celler de Capçanes Mas Torto 2022**  
Bright strawberry fruit, garrigue, cedar and white pepper; an unusual blend of Garnacha, Cabernet Sauvignon and Carinyena and it works well! 2024-2032
- 92** **Celler de Capçanes, Peraj Ha'Abib 2022**  
A Cabernet Sauvignon led kosher wine; ripe, cedary and very long. Very convincing, with an endearing note of mint on the finish. 2024-2032
- 92** **Celler Gritelles Carignan 1153 2021**  
Over-ripe plum fruit mingles with dark, ferrous earth, toast, smoke and dried herbs. Full bodied and a little spicity, but well balanced by the fresh acidity. 2024-2030

- 92** **Celler La Vinyeta Microvins CaN 2019**  
Over-ripe, rustic, old-school style. Damson jam, warm earth, oregano and toast on the nose. Fresh and grippy. 2024-2030
- 92** **Celler La Vinyeta Puntiapart 2020**  
Full bodied, smoky and chewy; ripe blackberries, plum, cedar and undergrowth. 2024-2030
- 92** **Celler Masroig Les Sorts Sycar 2022**  
An unusual blend of Syrah and Carinyena that works a treat; ripe plum, black pepper, thyme and smoked meat. Very Syrah in style, with some of the fluidity and bright acidity from the Carinyena. 2024-2030
- 92** **Celler Masroig Pinyeres 2022**  
Lots of wine for your money here; complex and well defined. Ripe blackberry, strawberry and plum fruit complemented by white pepper and oregano notes. Powdery, fresh and really very moreish! 2024-2030
- 92** **Celler Pasanau Vi de Paratge Los Torrents 2021**  
An almost equal blend of Garnacha and Carinyena from a 22 year old vineyard. Meaty, earthy and herbal with full, soft tannins and a dry, savoury finish. 2024-2028
- 92** **Celler Pasanau Vi de Vila Poboleda 2021**  
Earthy, spicy and slightly herbal Garnacha; grainy and fresh, but the fruit is fading just a touch. For short term enjoyment! 2024-2028
- 92** **Celler Purgatori 2022**  
A blend of Garnacha and Gonfaus, one of the five recovered varieties by the Torres family. Lucky they did! Lightly spicy and brightly red fruited, with hints of spice from the oak ageing. Rustic in a way, but really lovely with it. 2024-2030
- 92** **Cervoles Cellar Tros del Tossal 2021**  
Rubbery, meaty and herbal; over-ripe dark fruits, smoke and black pepper on the nose. Grainy and full bodied. 2024-2030
- 92** **Cervoles Estrats 2019**  
Powerful and oaky; old-school in style but it pulls it off admirably. Masses of rich, dark fruits, smoke, cloves and toast. Surprisingly delicate in structure with chalky tannins and a nice streak of acidity. Very well made. 2024-2034
- 92** **Cervoles Garnatxa de Cervoles 2023**  
Ripe berry fruits, sappy herbs and something wild and earthy on the nose. Juicy and eminently drinkable. Another delicious 2023! 2024-2032
- 92** **Cervoles Negre 2021**  
Modern and ripe, but with admirable restraint. Ripe blackcurrant, strawberry and plum fruit with a gravelly, savoury character underpinning the strong fruit profile. 2024-2032
- 92** **Clos Agon Tinto 2021**  
Well made, fresh and structured though lacks fruit definition. Smoky and herbal. 2024-2032

- 92** **Clos Alkio 2021**  
Powdery, fine grained and high-toned. The Carinyena leading component leads this wine; so fluid and fresh, packed with fruits of the forest, strawberries and an Autumnal character, like a forest after the rain. Lovely! 2024-2034
- 92** **Clos del Portal La Solana des Marges 2017**  
Savoury, evolving Carinyena from centenary vines; barely a barrel is made each year. Earthy, slightly dried plum and damson fruits, smoke, toast and pipe tobacco. Drinking perfectly. 2022-2030
- 92** **Clos Galena 2019**  
Bright and open; very ready to drink! A medley of blackcurrant and strawberry fruits, dried bell pepper, cedar and toast. Best drunk sooner rather than later. 2022-2026
- 92** **Clos Pachem Garnatxa 2020**  
Earthy strawberries, wild flowers and pine needles on the nose. Powdery tannins and vibrant acidity – a lovely, fragrant Garnacha! 2024-2032
- 92** **Costers del Sio Finca Sios 2021**  
So very Syrah like! Ripe plummy fruits, black olive, black pepper and smoked meat. Spicy, herbal and really very delicious. 2024-2032
- 92** **Finca Viladellops Turo de les Abelles 2022**  
Brambly, smoky and herbal; very Garnacha and very Penedes! Slick tannin, fresh acidity and a hint of spice in the finish. 2024-2032
- 92** **Gran Auctoeton Negre 2020**  
Bright berry fruits, wild flowers, tilled earth and a touch of licorice. A lovely bottle of Sumoll! 2024-2030
- 92** **Herència Altés Garnacha Cuptage 2023**  
A very complete blend, with a nice dose of Syrah to round out the Garnacha, and 10% Carinyena for extra acidity and verve. Chalky, fresh and juicy! 2024-2030
- 92** **Herència Altés L'Estel 2023**  
There's only around 35% of Syrah in this but the wine feels almost varietal! Ripe plums and blackberries, black olive, pepper and warm earth. Spicy, soft and so easy to drink. 2024-2032
- 92** **Josep Grau Les Cassetes 2021**  
Very varietally Garnacha; ripe strawberry fruit, violets, undergrowth and a touch of toasted wood. Firm and very young. One for the cellar. 2026-2036
- 92** **L'Enclos de Peralba Soldons 2022**  
Ripe plum and damson fruits mingle with hints of smoke, warm earth and violets. Understated Carinyena, with lots of chewy tannin on the palate. 2024-2032
- 92** **Lafou de Batea 2020**  
Smoke, toast and ripe, dark fruits pour out of Lafou de Batea, over a core of chewy tannin and fresh acidity. Substantial. A wine to get your teeth into. 2024-2032

- 92** **Marti Fabra La Tribana 2021**  
Classic Garnacha in style; ripe strawberry, slightly dried and just starting to caramelize. Spirity, herbal and spicy, but with a subtle restraint to the palate. Very good. 2023-2028
- 92** **Marti Fabra Seleccio Vinyes Velles 2022**  
Old-school stuff, in the best sort of way. Smoky, ripe but very well balanced. Cabernet Sauvignon shines through despite only being 15% of the blend, but in a very Mediterranean way! 2024-2030
- 92** **Mas Vilella Tros de Mas 2021**  
A very unusual blend of Sumoll and Cabernet Sauvignon but hey, it works! All the structure and dark fruit of the Cabernet Sauvignon, and the bright, citric freshness of the Sumoll. 2024-2032
- 92** **Merum Priorati El Cel 2022**  
A deep, brooding sort of wine. Masses of flavour and chewy tannin; rich blackberries, plums, licorice and toasted wood. A heavy style of wine. 2024-2030
- 92** **Moli dels Capellans 2022**  
Wild berry fruits, undergrowth and crushed rocks; well defined and rounded by the short ageing period in French oak. Firm, fresh and just a little wild. 2024-2034
- 92** **Oller de Mas Especial Carinyena 2019**  
Fading, ripe plum and blackberry, iodine and chalk on the nose; a lovely wine but missing some of the vitality and verve of last year 2024-2030
- 92** **Parato Samsó 2021**  
Aromatically shy at first, but this really opens up on the palate. Grainy, fresh and with the natural fluidity and depth that older vine Carinyena brings. Lovely! 2024-2034
- 92** **Parés Baltà Elena 2020**  
Classic Bordeaux blend in style; black fruits, green pepper and toast. Grippy, firm and fresh. 2024-2030
- 92** **Parés Baltà Marta de Balta 2019**  
Ripe and slightly over-ripe dark fruits, complemented by licorice, smoke, toast and a hint of violets. Bold and powerful, but lacks a bit of restraint. 2024-2032
- 92** **Perelada Aires de Gabet 2022**  
Candied red fruits, warm earth, toast and cedar, with a touch of baking spices. 2024-2032
- 92** **Perelada Finca Malaveina 2022**  
A very modern take on a Bordeaux blend, but very intelligently created. Ripe dark fruits, eucalyptus, bell pepper, vanilla and smoke. Soft, sweet fruited and very endearing. 2024-2034
- 92** **Pla d'en Cucut El Cucut 2022**  
Pretty, floral Garnacha; a lovely lavender and violet character to complement the ripe, earthy strawberries. Firm and fresh with a spicy touch to the finish. 2024-2030

- 92 Ritme Negre 2022**  
Spicy, herbal and bright; a Carinyena led blend with 30% Garnacha. Lovely strawberry and plum fruit here, with touches of garrigue and warm earth. Very complete. 2024-2032
- 92 Ritme Plaer 2022**  
Ripe and modern but very bright and charming with it. Ripe blueberry and blackberry fruits, anis, toasted wood and a touch of pepper. Chewy and full bodied. 2024-2032
- 92 Rosendo Esteve Verdala Negre 2022**  
Classic, fresh, grainy Garnacha; all strawberry fruit, white pepper and sappy, sweet herbs. Moreish! 2024-2030
- 92 Sandra Doix Popul Negres de Terrer 2021**  
Classic, smoky, dark Priorat. Ripe plum fruit complemented by toasted wood, crushed rocks and dried herbs. Firm, full bodied and yet lively with it. 2024-2032
- 92 Sangenis i Vaque Lo Coster Carinyena 2023**  
A lovely assortment of ripe, dark and blue fruits, complemented by bright violets and sweet herbs. Fresh acidity, grainy tannin and a dry tapered finish. Classic Carinyena! 2024-2034
- 92 Sant Josep Vins Laquarta Negre 3R Any V. V 2021**  
Another hit from this co-operative! Transparent, earthy and deliciously herbal; lots of whole-bunch characters coming through. An absolute steal for €10. 2024-2030
- 92 Sindicat del Priorat 2023**  
A lovely Grenache and Syrah blend from young vineyards on llicorella soils. Great fruit definition; earthy strawberries and blackberries, with garrigue and white pepper to round out the aromas. Firm and fresh; nice wine! 2024-2030
- 92 Torres Salmos 2020**  
Benchmark Priorat; earthy strawberries and plum fruits, sappy herbs, toast, smoke and violets. Grainy and fresh on the palate. Very well made! 2024-2032
- 92 Trossos del Priorat Lo Mon 2018**  
A mature bottle of Priorat, with a wonderfully complete medley of ripe and dried fruits, garrigue, white pepper and smoked meat. Grainy but still firm tannin, and a lovely nature freshness to the wine. 2024-2028
- 92 Vins dels Tros Lo Morenillo 2021**  
100% Morenillo, a grape that is slowly making its way back into the mainstream of Terra Alta. Delicately floral, fine-boned and overall, just an incredibly elegant style of wine. A step in the right direction! 2024-2030
- 92 Vinyes Domenech Furfus 2022**  
Baked strawberries, wild herbs and dried violets on the nose; a lovely, endearing set of aromatics. Firm, dry and a little stern on the palate. Not one for the long haul but plenty of fun to be had now! 2023-2028
- 92 Viticola Sileo Esporreres 2021**  
A subtle, elegant Garnacha with great varietal character, grainy tannin and inviting natural freshness. 2024-2028

- 91 Acoustic Celler Auditori 2019**  
A little over-ripe and starting to dry, but deliciously savoury with it. All dried fruits, warm earth and dried herbs. 2024-2030
- 91 Albet i Noya Les Timbes 2021**  
A medley of red and black fruits, white pepper, wild herbs and dark chocolate. Very complete for the price. 2024-2032
- 91 Altavins Almodi 2023**  
A ripe, savoury expression of Garnacha Peluda; slightly dried strawberries, garrigue, dried violets and a touch of scorched earth. Soft, friendly and very drinkable. 2024-2030
- 91 Altavins Seleccio Carinyena 2020**  
A modern, flashy style of Carinyena; ripe plum and damson fruit, vanilla, toast and cedar. Lots of barrel spice on the palate, with a layer of chewy tannin to hold it together. 2024-2032
- 91 Buil & Gine "Gine" 2021**  
Excellent QPR for Priorat! A mixed fruit profile, layered over grainy tannins and a lovely, lively acidity. 2024-2028
- 91 Buil & Gine Angelia 2019**  
A Cabernet Sauvignon led blend; chewy, complex and full bodied. Ripe plum and blackberries, smoke, liquorice and green peppers. 2022-2030
- 91 Cal Besso Lo Cirerer 2021**  
A really elegant wine for all of €12; a remarkable medley of seven different varieties. Fluid and easy drinking, with lots of juicy, red fruits. 2024-2028
- 91 Can Serra La Baula 2021**  
Crisp, cranberry fruits, dried florals and lightly spicy. Young, lifted and fresh. 2024-2040
- 91 Celler Aixala i Alcait Clivelles de Torroja de Vila 2022**  
Carinyena aged in chesnut; savoury and evolving but feels like it's lost a bit of verve compared to normal. 2024-2028
- 91 Celler Alimar El Senyal Negre 2021**  
Mixed berry fruits, ripe damson, warm earth and sappy herbs. The flavours are animated on the palate by a lovely spine of acidity, running over chalky tannin into a dry, tapered finish. 2024-2030
- 91 Celler Capçanes Garnacha Clay 2023**  
Mixed berry fruits, wet stones, undergrowth and white pepper. Very Garnacha and lovely fruit definition. 2024-2030
- 91 Celler Capçanes Garnacha Limestone 2023**  
Classic, grainy Garnacha. Ripe strawberries, violets, dried herbs and a touch of smoke. 2024-2030
- 91 Celler Capçanes Garnacha Slate 2023**  
Darker fruited than its cousins in the soil-type range. Strawberries and damson fruit, fresh herbs and warm earth. Firm and savoury. 2024-2030

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**Celler Comunica La Figa 2020**

Understated, elegant Garnacha; all earthy strawberries and forest floor on the nose. Powdery and really quite lovely. 2024-2030

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**Celler Gritelles Siurana Negre 2021**

Ripe and oaky, but very well made and with masses of over-ripe dark fruits, smoke, toast and vanilla. 2024-2028

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**Clos Galena 2021**

A mixed complement of red and dark berry fruits, blackcurrant, bell pepper and cedar on the nose. Full bodied but soft and easily drinkable. 2024-2032

91

**Clos Pachem Cami de la Mina 2020**

A medley of five different grapes, led by Carinyena and Garnacha, with some noticeable whole bunch use. Herbaceous, savoury and earthy – classic Priorat despite the addition of some French varieties! A very complete wine. 2024-2032

91

**Coca i Fito Jade 2021**

Ripe cherry and plum fruits, thyme, violets and vanilla. Lovely definition to the wine, and a pleasant, grainy texture to the tannins. 2024-2030

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**Finca Viladellops Parany 2021**

A high toned, fresh style of Carinyena; orange rind, fresh plummy fruits, sappy herbs and violets. Lovely, soft tannins and bright acidity. A complete wine. 2024-2034

91

**Herència Altés Lo Grau de Inquisidor 2021**

Ripe, powerful Syrah. Ripe and slightly dried dark fruits mingle with black pepper, black olive and a touch of dried herbs. 2024-2032

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**Jane Ventural Finca els Camps Negre 2019**

A mature medley of red and dark fruits, black pepper, licorice and dried herbs. A touch drying on the palate but still plenty of fruit left. Time to start drinking these! 2022-2026

91

**Jaume Grau Grats Crianza 2018**

Ripe, plummy fruits, oregano herbs and a touch of toast. Sweet-fruited. Easy drinking

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**Jean Leon Vinya Le Havre 2021**

Gravelly, brooding Cabernet Sauvignon and Cabernet Franc blend. Ripe and old-school, but with good fruit definition. Chewy and full bodied. 2024-2032

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**Josep Foraster Trepal 2023**

Direct, red fruited and zesty. White pepper, crushed rocks and a touch of red apple skin on the nose. Light-weight and incredibly refreshing! 2024-2030

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**Mas Foix Les Crestes 2023**

Red fruited and spicy, with a touch of violets and warm earth. Grainy, fresh and well made. 2024-2030

91

**Mas Llunes Rhodes 2020**

Rustic and firm, with a medley of ripe dark fruits, earth and spice. 2024-2028

- 91 Maset Natura Reserva 2019**  
 Fresh and juicy, but with plenty of structure from the Cabernet Sauvignon. A touch of toasted oak on the palate but this is mostly about the Mediterranean varieties. Good QPR!  
 2022-2028
- 91 Olivardots Gresa Negre 2018**  
 Ripe and immediately attractive, with masses of dark fruit, dried violets, toast and garrigue. Meaty and substantial, but it's time to drink up as the tannins are starting to dry a little.  
 2020-2026
- 91 Orto Vins Le Carrerada 2019**  
 Classic, smoky, dark Carinyena from 88 year old vines. Dark plums, broken rockets, toast and a light touch of clove. 2024-2029
- 91 Orto Vins Les Comes 2022**  
 Over-ripe and very Mediterranean in style, with touches of garrigue, crushed rocks and warm earth to complement the fruit. 2024-2028
- 91 Prior Scala Dei 2022**  
 Created as a sort of introduction to Priorat. Fresh, soft and very well made. Lightly spicy; a mixture of red and black fruits, bell pepper, toast and black pepper. 2024-2028
- 91 Rosendo Esteve Vins Dos Germans Negre 2023**  
 This won the value-for-money award last year and it's easy to see why – there's so much wine here for €7. Dark fruited, sappy and so fresh. Bravo once again! 2024-2034
- 91 Sabate i Coca Castellroig So Negre 2020**  
 Soft, leafy Tempranillo with all of the classic tobacco leaf and red fruited characters. Easy drinking. 2024-2028
- 91 Sandra Doix MarLa Vi de Paratge Garnatxa 2021**  
 Powerful, ripe Garnacha from 70 year old vines. Over-ripe strawberry fruit, warm earth and oregano on the nose; chewy and structured on the palate. Lots of power and structure here, but likely needs a bit of time to come together. 2026-2032
- 91 Sumarroca Boria 2020**  
 Spicy, dark fruited and herbal; a really clear, direct picture of Syrah and all the more lovely for it! 2024-2030
- 91 Terra i Vins Bruixola Negre VS 2020**  
 Fluid and dark fruited with a great depth to the wine. Soft tannin and lots of charm. This would score more highly if there wasn't quite so much obvious oak character, but the fruit is fantastic! 2024-2034
- 91 Torres Clos Ancestral 2022**  
 The first commercially released wine I have seen being led by the very exciting Moneu grape. Brambly fruits, sappy herbs and a touch of toast, this is a meaty, rich wine despite the moderate alcohol level. Lovely! 2024-2030
- 91 Vins dels Tros Senora Carmen 2022**  
 Sweet fruited and bright, with plenty of oak influence from the 12 months of ageing in new oak barrels. 2024-2032



- 91** **Vinyes Domenech Bancal del Bosc Blanc 2023**  
Nice complexity and a delicate, savoury touch for this entry level Garnacha. Ever so slightly wild, with the alpine freshness I've come to associate from this excellent producer.  
2024-2030
- 90** **Albet i Noya Lignum Negre 2021**  
Ripe strawberry and damson fruit, green pepper and a touch of graphite. 2024-2028
- 90** **Altavins Seleccio Garnacha Peluda 2019**  
Slightly oxidative in style with fading red fruits, vanilla, dried herbs and delicate spice.  
Drink up! 2022-2025
- 90** **Bielsa Ruano Music de Carrer Negre 2022**  
A direct, floral style of Garnacha; wild flowers, ripe red fruits and touches of white pepper.  
2024-2030
- 90** **Cara Nord Mineral del Montsant 2022**  
They're not wrong, this has a lot of mineral character to it! Firm, fresh and very much all about ripe strawberry fruit, crushed rocks and touches of toast. Very nice. 2024-2030
- 90** **Casa Gran Siurana Cruor 2020**  
Spicy and structured, with a solid core of firm tannins and fresh acidity. 2024-2030
- 90** **Castell do Remei Garnatxa 2023**  
Mixed berry fruits, spicy herbaceous characters and undergrowth. Savoury and fresh.  
2024-2030
- 90** **Celler Comunica La Peluda 2021**  
Earthy, meaty and spicy Garnacha Peluda. An excellent varietal expression, but in its last few years. Drink up! 2022-2028
- 90** **Celler de L'Encastell Marge 2020**  
Cedary and soft, with a medley of ripe black fruits, bell pepper, warm earth and a touch of black pepper. 2024-2030
- 90** **Celler Masroig Les Sorts V.V 2020**  
Another excellent showing from Celler Masroig; 95% Carinyena and 5% Garnacha.  
Already ageing gracefully and in a great spot for drinking. 2024-2034
- 90** **Celler Rialla 100% Garnatxa Negre 2022**  
Spicy, earthy and invitingly grainy and fresh on the palate. Solid Garnatxa. 2024-2028
- 90** **Cellers Alsina Finca Cal Janes 2022**  
A grainy, fresh Merlot; full of ripe, sweet red fruits, licorice and toasted wood. Good value for money! 2024-2026
- 90** **Cellers Can Blau Blau Verd 2022**  
Ripe strawberry and plum fruit, dried herbs and a touch of toast over chewy, firm tannins.  
2024-2028
- 90** **Coca i Fito Maragda 2018**  
Savoury, with well defined but fading red and black fruits. Drink up! 2020-2025

- 90** **Comunica Sue de Saulo 2022**  
A very direct style of wine, produced and aged for a long time in stainless steel. Red berry fruits, violets and warm earth. 2024-2028
- 90** **Dosterras Finca Aiguasals 2019**  
Great tannic structure; powdery, fresh and the perfect foil for all the ripe, dark fruit, smoke and iodine from this 100% Carinyena. 2022-2030
- 90** **Edetaria Via Edetana Negre 2022**  
Very much a wine of the land; dried shrubs, garrigue and earth inflected red fruit. Chewy. 2024-2028
- 90** **Jane Ventura Sumoll 2020**  
Rustic and firm; all bright red cranberry fruits, dusty earth and undergrowth. Firm and chewy. 2024-2026
- 90** **L'Olivera Naltres 2022**  
Young and bright, with a strong Cabernet Sauvignon finish. Flashes of both red and dark fruits, cedar and a long, stony finish. 2024-2030
- 90** **Laurona Pythagora 2016**  
Fading a little so drink up soon if you have them. Dried red fruits and spices; a sort of fruitcake character. Pleasantly mature. 2018-2025
- 90** **Maset 1777 2020**  
A rocky, mineral style of Carinyena, and one that's drinking well now. Plummy fruit, iodine and crushed rocks with just a tell-tale hint of dryness on the finish. 2024-2028
- 90** **Merum Priorati Desti Sols Garnatxa 2022**  
Old school Garnacha; fruitcake and dried, almost candied red fruits. Leather, spice and tobacco. Best drunk up. 2022-2026
- 90** **Parés Baltà Neolitic 2022**  
Direct, refreshing and rustic; very Sumoll in character, with its bright berry fruits, earth and citric acidity. 2024-2028
- 90** **Terrers de Llicorella Carinyena 2021**  
Firm, fresh and rustic in style; grippy, grainy tannins meld together with the ripe damson fruit, dried herbs and warm earth. 2024-2030
- 90** **Tomas Cusine Vilosell 2021**  
Red fruited, sappy and softly textured. Very Tempranillo, with the same tobacco leaf character as elsewhere in the country. 2024-2030
- 90** **Torres Gran Coronas 2020**  
Very Cabernet; dark fruits, leafy pyrazines and gravel with hints of toasted wood. Chewy but somehow easy going. 2024-2030
- 90** **Trossos del Priorat Pam de Nas 2019**  
A classic style of Gratallops; ripe and dried red fruits, garrigue and some oak sweetness. A lovely wine but starting to dry out just a touch - drink up! 2024-2026

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### **U Mes U Anais Negre 2022**

Sappy, leafy and fresh with a mixture of red and dark fruits, over soft, inviting tannin. A solid, easy drinking wine. 2024-2028

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### **Vinicola del Priorat Onix Evolucio 2021**

A well balanced, Carinyena led blend. Ripe plum and strawberry fruits, violets, tilled earth and fresh thyme. Soft, easy drinking. 2024-2030

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### **Vins Algars Trufes Negre 2022**

A lot of wine for €8. Ripe strawberries, oregano, toast and muted florals. Grainy, structured and no shortage of flavour. 2024-2028

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### **Vins de Pedra La Musa 2020**

Varietal Cabernet Sauvignon; dried black fruits, cedar and smoke. A little chunky. 2024-2030

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### **Vins del Tros Cent X Cent 2023**

Candied red fruits, crushed violets and a touch of smoke. Powdery, fresh and easy. 2024-2028

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### **Viticultor Bateans Manyol Ecological Carinyena 2022**

100% Carinyena in stainless steel; juicy, fruity and easy drinking. 2024-2030



# Fortified

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## **Abadal Sagristia NV**

An old, incredibly intense Vi Ranci; dried oranges, salted caramel, dried white flowers and toasted nuts. Briny and mouth-watering. Just a huge wine in every sense. 2024-2050

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## **Scala Dei Vi Ranci NV**

NVA deep, savoury nose; fruitcake, dried citrus, burnt honey, toffee and salt. Huge intensity on the palate but there's balance here and a depth to the fruit. Different to your average Vi Ranci and absolutely delicious! 2024-2050+

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## **Celler Marfil Generos Sec Soleres 1976 Solera**

Huge, salty intensity. So persistent and long, with that saline acidity keeping the mouth-watering flavours alive on the palate. Gorgeous! 2024-2050+

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## **Martia Fabra Vi Ranci 1986**

Huge, huge salty intensity on the nose, with the same savoury, salty characters following to the palate. A deep, concentrated style of Vi Ranci. Not for the faint of heart! 2024-2050

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## **Mas Martinet Ranci Dole NV**

It's rare that a sweet Vi Ranci works as well as this. The sweetness of the wine adds a level of tension when contrasted with the salty, savoury nature of the flavours. 2024-2050



# Sweet

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- 96** **Castell do Remei Verema Tardana 2018**  
 Wow, this is fantastic! So lifted and bright, with tangy marmalade, dried peach, apricot, quince and honey characters, yet it's the bright acidity that really makes it. Such lovely tension. A fantastic sweet wine! 2024-2044
- 95** **Castell d'Encus Majjan 2018**  
 A deep, intense wine; packed full of honey, orange marmalade and the rye whiskey character of botrytis. A Sauternes doppel-ganger and incredibly well made. 2024-2044
- 94** **L'Olivera Rasim Vipansit 2020**  
 Floral and bright, with a lovely core of ripe orchard fruit and honey. Lovely acidity to keep the sweetness in check. 2024-2034
- 93** **Abadal Dole de Foc Flamma NV**  
 High toned, citric and honeyed, this is a remarkable wine made using a very old method of essentially boiling the must. Wonderfully tense and somehow contains elements of fresh fruit to balance the naturally oxidative characters. 2024-2050
- 93** **Celler Marfil Generos Semi Soleres 1976 Solera**  
 Well balanced and engaging; nutty, dried white fruits and very lifted. Medium-sweet with enough acidity to keep it lively. 2024-2028
- 92** **Celler Pinol Josefina Pinol 2019**  
 Burnt orange, toasted nuts and dried florals on the nose; noticeably sweet but just a touch of bitterness on the finish this vintage. 2024-2034
- 92** **Marti Fabra Masia Pairal Can Carreras NV**  
 Dried florals and fruit characters; honeyed fruitcake and a medley of flowers. Sweet with a savoury touch; very Emporda in style. 2024-2040
- 91** **Coca i Fito Ambre NV**  
 Burnt orange, rye whiskey, toasted wood and vanilla; very old-school and fun. Noticeably oaky, even as a sweet wine. 2024-2030
- 91** **Empordalia Sinols Garnatxa Solera**  
 A classic example of Emporda sweet wines; a medley of sweet and savoury characters, oxidative fruit and spice. 2024-2028

# Complete scores A-Z

Indicative prices are listed as found in the Spanish market in January 2025.

WINE	VINTAGE	STYLE	ABV (%)	RRF €	SCORE
Abadadia de Poblet Voltada	2020	Red	13.0	30	95
Abadal Arbosset	2021	Red	13.0	50	97
Abadal Dolc de Foc Flamma NV	NV	Sweet	15.0	76	93
Abadal Mando	2022	Red	12.5	15	92
Abadal Nuat	2021	White	13.5	35	94
Abadal Picapoll	2023	White	13.0	14	92
Abadal Sagristia NV	NV	Ranci	15.0	NA	96
Abadia be Poblet Blanco	2020	White	14.0	18	94
Abadia de Poblet Tossal de la Salut	2019	Red	14.0	30	95
Acustic Auditori Blanc	2022	White	14.5	40	90
Acustic Blanc	2023	White	15.0	21	91
Acustic Brao	2021	Red	15.0	35	93
Acustic Celler Auditori	2019	Red	15.5	60	91
Acustic Negre	2022	Red	15.0	22	92
Agricola de Garriguella I Rabos Ergo Blanco	2024	White	13.0	8	91
Agricola Fuster Prohom Experientia Ecologic	2020	Red	14.5	12	89
Agricola Fuster Prohom Experientia Ecologic Blanc	2023	White	14.0	12	87
Agricola Fuster Prohom Experientia Ecologic Viognier	2023	White	14.0	14	88
Albet i Noya 3 Macabeus	2024	White	11.5	12	90
Albet i Noya Crestabox	2022	Red	14.5	NA	93
Albet i Noya El Bose Negre	2022	Orange	13.0	26	95
Albet i Noya El Fanio	2023	White	12.5	16	94
Albet i Noya La Milana	2020	Red	14.0	28	94
Albet i Noya Les Timbes	2021	Red	14.0	17	91
Albet i Noya Lignum Negre	2021	Red	14.0	10	90
Albet i Noya Lignumí	2023	White			88
Albet i Noya Marti Reserva	2020	Red	14.0	50	94
Alfredo Arribas Tros Blanc Notaria	2016	White	13.5	48	95
Alfredo Arribas Tros Negre Notaria	2018	Red	13.5	45	89
Alta Alella Caus D'En Enis	2023	White	13.0	18	93
Alta Alella Lanis	2021	White	14.0	23	89
Alta Allela Dolc Mataro	2021	Sweet	14.5	20	87
Altavins Almodi	2023	Red	13.5	12	91
Altavins Seleccio Carinyena	2020	Red	14.5	33	91
Altavins Seleccio Garnacha Blanca	2021	White	14.0	33	90
Altavins Seleccio Garnacha Peluda	2019	Red	14.5	33	90
Altavins Tempus	2021	Red	14.5	15	92
Álvaro Palacios Finca Dofi	2023	Red	14.5	95	96
Álvaro Palacios Gratallops	2023	Red	14.5	60	94
Álvaro Palacios L'Ermitage	2023	Red	14.5	1450	98
Álvaro Palacios La Baixada	2023	Red	14.5	280	96

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Álvaro Palacios Les Aubaguetes	2023	Red	14.5	400	98
Anima Mundi Cantallops	2023	White	12.0	22	94
Anima Mundi Gres	2023	White	13.0	12	92
Autocton Celler Blanc	2021	White	13.0	20	91
Autocton Celler Gran Autocton Blanc	2021	White	13.0	26	93
AVGVSTVS Microvinificanion Macabeo	2018	White	13.0	15	93
AVGVSTVS Trajanvs	2019	Red	15.0	25	89
Aymar & Castell de Pujades Xarel.lo	2023	White	12.0	12	90
Aymar & Castell de Pujades Xarel.lo Vermell	2023	White	12.0	12	92
Bell Cros El Tracte	2020	Red	14.5	27	93
Bell Cros L'Addicio	2022	White	14.0	23	92
Bell Cros La Colina	2023	Red	15.0	19	92
Bielsa Ruano Music de Carrer Blanc	2023	White	13.5	12	88
Bielsa Ruano Music de Carrer Negre	2022	Red	14.5	14	90
Bielsa Ruano Solista Garnatxa Blanca	2022	White	13.5	22	90
Bielsa Ruano Solista Garnatxa Negra	2022	Red	14.5	22	89
Biopaumera Adria	2020	Red	14.0	11	87
Biopaumera Blanc de Noirs	2023	White	14.5	12	92
Biopaumera Solus	2023	Red	14.5	13	87
Buil & Gine "Gine"	2021	Red	14.5	16	91
Buil & Gine Angelia	2019	Red	14.5	37	91
Buil & Gine Blanc	2020	White	14.0	20	89
Buil & Gine Family Collection Garnacha	2018	Red	15.0	75	89
Buil & Gine Joan Gine	2018	Red	14.5	30	89
Buil & Gine Pleret	2015	Red	15.0	55	93
Buil & Gine Rosat	2023	Rose	14.0	15	90
Buil & Gine Samsó 109 years	2019	Red	14.5	180	95
Cal Besa Elvira	2021	White	14.0	20	88
Cal Besso Les Rotes de Cal Pau	2022	Red	14.5	15	87
Cal Besso Lo Cirerer	2021	Red	14.0	12	91
Can Feixes Blanc Tradicio	2022	White	13.0	15	90
Can Feixes Cabernet Sauvignon	2015	Red	14.5	17	89
Can Feixes Reserva Especial	2011	Red	15.0	34	89
Can Lleo Brisat Macabeo Vinya Meix	2022	White	12.0	24	92
Can Lleo Genui Garnatxa La Casilla d'En Pep	2023	Red	13.0	16	87
Can Rafols dels Caus Gran Caus Blanc	2022	White	12.5	22	93
Can Rafols dels Caus La Calma	2022	White	13.0	60	95
Can Rafols dels Caus Montombra Blanco	2021	White	13.0	60	95
Can Rafols dels Caus Montombra Tinto	2021	Red	13.0	60	94
Can Rafols dels Caus Pairal	2022	White	13.0	50	95
Can Serra La Baula	2021	Red	13.0	20	91
Can Serra Valentina	2023	White	13.0	15	91
Can Valles Xarel.lo	2023	White	12.5	22	91
Can Valles XAXAXA	2022	White	12.5	18	90
Cara Nord Blanc	2023	White	12.5	12	91
Cara Nord Mineral del Montsant	2022	Red	14.0	13	90
Cara Nord Negre	2022	Red			89
Cara Nord Trepapat Negre	2023	Red	12.0	15	88

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Cara Nord Trepat Rosat	2023	Rose	12.0	12	89
Casa Gran del Siurana Gran Cruor Seleccio Carinyena	2015	Red	14.0	45	87
Casa Gran Siurana Anima del Priorat	2023	Red	14.5	18	92
Casa Gran Siurana Cruor	2020	Red	15.0	24	90
Casa Gran Siurana Gran Cruor	2018	Red	14.0	49	88
Castell d'Encus Acusp	2021	Red	13.0	40	92
Castell d'Encus Ekam Essencia	2021	White	10.5	53	93
Castell d'Encus Majjan	2018	Sweet	12.0	60	95
Castell d'Encus Quest	2020	Red	13.5	50	92
Castell d'Encus Taleia	2021	White	13.0	30	93
Castell d'Or Vi Blanc Xarel.lo	2023	White	11.5	7	88
Castell del Remei Oda Blanc	2022	White	13.0	12	90
Castell do Remei 1780	2019	Red	14.5	28	86
Castell do Remei Garnatxa	2023	Red	14.0	15	90
Castell do Remei Gran Reserva Blanc	2019	White	14.5	71	92
Castell do Remei Verema Tardana	2018	Sweet	11.0	48	96
Castelloig So Blanc	2018	White	12.0	40	88
Castelloig So Sere	2019	White	13.0	17	92
Cavas J Hill Mallol de Bianya	2023	White	12.0	14	88
Caves Miquel Pons 77 Veremes Grenache	2023	Red	13.5	13	89
Caves Miquel Pons 77 Veremes Xarel.lo	2023	White	13.0	13	89
Caves Miquel Pons 77 Veremes Xarel.lo Vermell	2022	White	13.0	13	87
Caves Miquel Pons Montargull Malvasia de Sitges	2022	White	12.5	18	89
Celler Aixala i Alcait Pardelasses	2023	White	14.0	20	91
Celler Aixala i Alcait	2017	Red	14.5	30	89
Celler Aixala i Alcait Clivelles de Torroja de Vila	2022	Red	14.5	18	91
Celler Aixala i Alcait Destranskis	2022	Red	14.5	15	92
Celler Aixala i Alcait Pardelasses	2019	Red	14.5	20	92
Celler Alimar El Senyal Negre	2021	Red	14.5	13	91
Celler Alimara Llumi Blanc	2022	White	14.0	8	90
Celler Alimara Pinzellada SYR	2022	Red	14.5	18	92
Celler Alimara Rosat	2022	Rose	14.0	8	91
Celler Ardevol Anjoli	2021	Red	15.0	17	89
Celler Ardevol Coma d'En Romeu	2021	Red	15.0	20	92
Celler Ardevol Terra d'Hom	2019	Red	15.0	36	89
Celler AVGVSTVS Cabernet Franc	2022	Red	14.0	15	86
Celler AVGVSTVS FORVM Malvasia de Sitges	2023	White	12.0	16	94
Celler AVGVSTVS FORVM Xarel.lo +100	2022	White	11.5	13	90
Celler Bartolome Blanc	2023	White	14.0	20	87
Celler Bartolome Clos Bartolome	2020	Red	15.5	20	88
Celler Capçanes Cabrida	2022	Red	13.5	36	94
Celler Capçanes Els Pajaros	2022	Red	14.5	36	94
Celler Capçanes Garnacha Clay	2023	Red	14.0	13	91
Celler Capçanes Garnacha Limestone	2023	Red	14.0	13	91
Celler Capçanes Garnacha Slate	2023	Red	14.0	13	91
Celler Capçanes Lasendal Seleccio	2023	Red	14.5	9	89
Celler Capçanes Mas Torto Brisat	2022	Orange	15.0	16	93
Celler Capçanes Sand	2023	Red	14.0	13	89



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Celler Comunica La Figa	2020	Red	13.0	30	91
Celler Comunica La Peluda	2021	Red	13.5	20	90
Celler Comunica La Pua	2022	White	13.5	14	89
Celler Cooperatiu de Gandesa Puresa Morenillo	2019	Red	14.5	24	87
Celler Credo Aloers	2020	White	11.5	17	92
Celler Credo Mirabelles	2019	White	10.5	34	90
Celler Credo Ratpenat	2021	White	10.5	24	92
Celler Credo Volaina	2022	White	9.5	10	89
Celler Crivelle i Valls Llagrimes	2023	Red	14.5	16	92
Celler Crivelle I Valls Llegat	2023	Red	14.5	45	92
Celler de Capçanes Costers del Gravet	2022	Red	14.5	14	88
Celler de Capçanes Mas Collet	2023	Red	14.5	9	89
Celler de Capçanes Mas Picoso	2023	Red	14.5	8	88
Celler de Capçanes Mas Torto	2022	Red	15.0	25	92
Celler de Capçanes, Peraj Ha'Abib	2022	Red	15.0	28	92
Celler de l'Encastell Marge	2020	Red	14.5	20	90
Celler de l'Encastell Mas d'En Cacador	2021	Red	14.5	75	94
Celler de l'Encastell Roguers de Porrera	2019	Red	14.5	40	89
Celler de l'Era	2020	Red	14.0	16	92
Celler de l'Era BRI	2016	Red	14.0	12	86
Celler de l'Era Mim	2013	Red	14.0		86
Celler Domenys Nat 1917	2022	Red	14.5	6	88
Celler Domenys Nat 1917	2023	White	12.5	6	88
Celler Gritelles Carignan 1153	2021	Red	15.0	45	92
Celler Gritelles Garnacha 714	2021	Red	16.0	45	89
Celler Gritelles Siurana Negra	2021	Red	15.5	18	91
Celler Gritelles Tros de la Serra	2019	White	14.0	35	89
Celler Gritelles Vedrenyes	2023	White	13.5	14	90
Celler Jordi Miro Garnatxa Blanca	2023	White	14.0	9	91
Celler Jordi Miro Serendipity Double Mass	2023	Red	13.5	11	85
Celler Jordi Miro Series 26 Carignan	2022	Red	13.5	21	89
Celler Jordi Miro Textura 4 Brisat	2023	Orange	14.0	13	91
Celler Jordi Miro Textura 6	2023	White	14.0	13	90
Celler La Botera Mudefer Blanc	2021	White	13.5	17	88
Celler La Botera Vilaclosa Rubor	2023	Rose	13.0	8	87
Celler La Vinyeta Microvins CaB	2023	White	13.0	23	92
Celler La Vinyeta Microvins CaN	2019	Red	14.5	23	92
Celler La Vinyeta Puntiapart	2020	Red	14.5	16	92
Celler Laurona	2014	Red	15.0	26	88
Celler Laurona Plini	2019	Red	15.0	37	89
Celler Laurona Pythagora	2020	Red	15.0	33	94
Celler Marfil Aus Merla	2022	Red	14.0	22	89
Celler Marfil Classic	2023	White	13.0	12	87
Celler Marfil Generos Sec Soleres 1976	Solera	Vi Ranci	16.0	36	95
Celler Marfil Generos Semi Soleres 1976	Solera	Sweet	15.0	27	93
Celler Marfil Ivori La Finka	2022	White	12.0	36	89
Celler Mas Amfres Airosa	2024	Rose	13.0	18	93

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Celler Mas Amfres Odisseu	2023	White	13.5	23	94
Celler Masroig Les Sorts Blanc	2023	White	13.0	16	90
Celler Masroig Les Sorts Sycar	2022	Red	14.5	14	92
Celler Masroig Les Sorts VV	2020	Red	15.0	19	90
Celler Masroig Pinyeres	2022	Red	14.5	10	92
Celler Massis de L'Albera Camina de L'Albera	2023	Red	14.5	30	89
Celler Massis de L'Albera Encanteri	2023	Red	14.0	15	88
Celler Massis de L'Albera Les Tortugues	2023	White	13.0	18	91
Celler Mes Amfres L'Arquitecte	2023	White	11.0	28	90
Celler Oliveda Finca Furot	2018	Red	13.5	18	85
Celler Oliveda Furot del Monestir	2020	Red	13.5	12	87
Celler Oliveda La Bestia Blanc	2023	White	13.0	10	89
Celler Pasanau Vi de Paratge Los Torrents	2021	Red	15.5	34	92
Celler Pasanau Vi de Vila La Morera de Montsant	2021	Red	15.5	25	93
Celler Pasanau Vi de Vila Poboleda	2021	Red	15.0	27	92
Celler Pinol Anima L'Avi Arrufi	2023	White	14.5	22	93
Celler Pinol Garnacha Peluda	2023	Red	14.5	17	93
Celler Pinol Josefina Pinol	2019	Sweet	15.0	22	92
Celler Pinol L'Avi Arrufi	2023	White	14.5	25	93
Celler Pinols L'Avi Arrufi	2021	Red	14.5	25	88
Celler Purgatori	2022	Red	14.5	34	92
Celler Purgatori Gonfaus	2022	Red	14.0	47	93
Celler Purgatori Pirene	2022	Red	14.0	47	94
Celler Rialla 100% Garnatxa Negre	2022	Red	14.0	9	90
Celler Rialla Garnatxa Blanca	2023	White	13.5	9	88
Celler Rialla Garnatxa Tintorera	2021	Red	13.5	14	85
Celler Risalla Rosat	2023	Rose	14.0	9	89
Celler Torrens Mon Eixerit	2023	White	11.5	11	89
Cellers Alsina Finca Cal Janes	2022	Red	13.5	7	90
Cellers Alsina Finca La Boltana	2023	White	12.5	8	89
Cellers Alsina Inhospit	2022	White	12.0	10	91
Cellers Alsina Origen 1894	2023	White	13.5	7	88
Cellers Blanch Identitas	2022	White	11.5	14	85
Cellers Blau Mas de Can Blau	2020	Red	15.5	40	88
Cellers Can Blau Blau Verd	2022	Red	14.5	16	90
Cellers Can Blau, Blau	2022	Red	14.5	16	88
Cellers Domenys Capvespre Sunset	2023	Red	13.5	5	86
Cellers Domenys Capvespre Sunset	2023	White	11.0	5	87
Cellers Domenys Capvespre Sunset Rosat	2023	Rose	11.5	5	87
Cervoles Blanc	2022	White	13.0	25	93
Cervoles Celler Tros del Tossal	2021	Red	15.5	48	92
Cervoles Estrats	2019	Red	15.5	65	92
Cervoles Garnatxa de Cervoles	2023	Red	14.0	16	92
Cervoles Negre	2021	Red	15.0	25	92
Clos Agon Tinto	2021	Red	13.0	42	92
Clos Alkio	2021	Red	14.0	45	92
Clos Alkio Aino	2022	White	13.5	60	92

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Clos Alkio Cabernet Sauvignon	2021	Red	14.0	36	88
Clos Alkio Flor Silvestre	2021	Red	14.5	12	88
Clos Alkio Fulles Daurades	2021	Red	13.5	63	95
Clos d'Agon Blanco	2020	White	13.0	40	91
Clos d'Agon Fermentado en Barrica	2023	White	13.0	50	90
Clos d'Agon Mas Palet	2020	Red	14.0	80	93
Clos d'Agon Selecccion Especial	2021	Red	14.0	120	94
Clos del Portal La Solana des Marges	2017	Red	14.0	80	92
Clos del Portal Somni	2016	Red	14.0	38	88
Clos del Portal Tros de Clos	2018	Red	14.0	60	89
Clos Galena	2019	Red	14.5	50	92
Clos Galena	2021	Red	14.5	28	91
Clos Galena Formiga de Seda	2023	White	15.0	22	88
Clos Mogador	2022	Red	14.5	85	96
Clos Mogador Com Tu	2022	Red	14.5	36	94
Clos Mogador Les Manyetes	2022	Red	15.0	70	96
Clos Mogador Nelin	2022	White	14.5	50	95
Clos Mogador Rosat	2022	Rose	14.5	40	94
Clos Montblanc Trepas/Garrut	2022	Red			89
Clos Montblanc Xipella	2023	White	12.0	13	90
Clos Pachem Cami de la Mina	2020	Red	14.0	35	91
Clos Pachem Carinyena	2021	Red	14.0	18	89
Clos Pachem Garnatxa	2020	Red	14.5	17	92
Clos Pachem Licos	2022	White	14.0	15	92
Clos Pachem Planassos	2020	Red	14.0	110	93
Clos Pons Alges	2018	Red	14.5	13	87
Clos Pons Cingles	2018	White	15.5	25	89
Clos Pons Pla del Tet	2021	Red	14.5	25	87
Clos Pons Sisquella	2020	White	13.5	13	88
Coca i Fito Ambre	NV	Sweet	16.0	28	91
Coca i Fito Blanc	2022	White	14.0	13	89
Coca i Fito D'Or	2023	White	13.5	17	93
Coca i Fito Jade	2021	Red	14.5	13	91
Coca i Fito Jaspi Negre	2021	Red	14.5	11	88
Coca i Fito Maragda	2018	Red	14.5	19	90
Coca i Fito Nu	2023	Red	15.0	18	89
Cocai Fito Jaspi Blanc	2023	White	13.5	11	89
Coller Cooperatiu de Gandesa Puresa Garnatxa Blanca	2022	White	14.0	24	90
Companyia Viticola Sileo Costers de Cornudella Blanc	2022	White	13.0	22	93
Comunica Gris Granit	2022	Rose	13.5	14	87
Comunica Suc de Saulo	2022	Red	13.0	14	90
Costers del Sio Alto Sios	2022	Red	15.0	16	89
Costers del Sio Finca Sios	2021	Red	15.0	28	92
Costers del Sio Petit Comitè	2022	Red	14.5	13	86
Costers del Sio Pla del Lladoner	2023	White	13.0	13	91
Costers del Sio Sios Cau del Gat	2022	Red	14.5	13	89
Covides Duc de Foix Xarel.lo	2024	White	11.5	6	86

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Covides Mas Linda Vi de Mas Xarel.lo	2023	White	12.0	20	92
Covides Terra Terrae	2022	White	11.5	7	89
Dosterras Blanc	2021	White	13.5	27	87
Dosterras Finca Aiguasals	2019	Red	14.5	34	90
Dosterras Garnacha	2018	Red	14.5	24	88
Dosterras Naixement	2017	Red	14.5	80	85
Dosterras Vermell	2021	Red	14.5	16	89
Edetaria Genuina	2020	Red	14.5	45	95
Edetaria Lo Mas	2021	Red	14.0	90	96
Edetaria Pedrissa	2020	Red	14.5	45	94
Edetaria Personal	2021	Red	14.5	45	95
Edetaria Seleccio	2016	White	14.0		95
Edetaria Seleccio	2021	White	14.0	25	94
Edetaria Terrenal	2021	White	14.5	40	96
Edetaria Via Edetana	2023	White	13.5	14	90
Edetaria Via Edetana Negre	2022	Red	14.5	15	90
Edetarian Terrenal	2015	White	15.0		94
El Mas de LA Les Margues	2021	White	13.5	40	94
El Mas de LA Lo Noir	2021	Red	14.0	35	86
Empordalia Antima	2022	Red	14.5	14	86
Empordalia Coromina	2021	Red	14.0	11	85
Empordalia Mabre	2023	White	12.5	9	86
Empordalia Sinols Garnatxa	Solera	Sweet	15.0	9	91
Empordalia Sinols Reserva	2020	Red	15.0	12	88
Enric Soler Espenyalluchs	2023	White	13.5	60	98
Enric Soler Improvisacio	2023	White	13.0	40	94
Enric Soler Istiu	2023	White	13.0	35	94
Enric Soler Malvasia Fina	2016	White	15.0	75	94
Enric Soler Nun Vinya dels Taus	2023	White	13.5	70	97
Espectacle	2022	Red	15.0	120	97
Espelt Comabruna	2019	Red	15.0	27	93
Espelt La Vella	2022	White	13.0	44	95
Espelt Les Elies	2020	Red	15.0	36	93
Estel d'Argent Sequvat	2023	White	12.5	11	87
Eudald Massana Avi Ton	2021	White	12.5	28	92
Eudald Massana Brea	2023	White	12.5	19	93
Eudald Massana La Creueta	2021	Red	13.5	16	87
Familia Torres Secret del Priorat	2022	Red	13.5	19	88
Ferre i Catusus Capde Trons	2023	Red	14.5	9	88
Ferre i Catusus DOS Blanc	2021	White	13.0	28	91
Ferre i Catusus Gall Negre	2019	Red	13.5	18	88
Ferre i Catusus Love is Garnatxa	2022	White	13.0	11	90
Ferre i Catusus Somiatruites	2023	White	12.5	10	87
Ferrer Bobet Seleccio Especial	2020	Red	14.5	80	96
Ferrer Bobet Vinyes Velles	2020	Red	14.5	45	94
Finca Can Estella Clos dels Oms Chardonnay	2022	White	13.0	14	88
Finca Can Estella Clot dels Oms Blanc	2023	White	12.0	8	87

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Finca Can Estella Clot dels Oms Negre	2022	Red	13.5	8	85
Finca Can Estella Gran Clos dels Oms Negre Merlot	2019	Red	13.0	14	87
Finca Can Estella Gran Clot dels Oms Xarel.lo	2021	White	13.0	14	89
Finca Garbet	2019	Red	14.5	122	93
Finca Garbet	2021	Red	14.5	122	94
Finca Viladellops Parany	2021	Red	13.0	50	91
Finca Viladellops seleccio Garnatxa	2022	Red	14.5	15	86
Finca Viladellops Seleccio Tres Xarel.los	2023	White	12.5	19	92
Finca Viladellops Turo de les Abelles	2022	Red	14.5	30	92
Freye de Vallformosa Syrah Tempranillo	2023	Red	14.0	12	87
Garriguella i Rabos Finca La Sureda	2023	White	12.5	16	88
Garriguella i Rabos Finca Les Roques	2023	White	13.0	16	90
Garriguella i Rabos Ergo	2024	Red	14.0	8	89
Garriguella i Rabos Finca Masdeneres	2021	Red	15.0	31	87
Glos Galena Formiga de Vellut	2021	Red	14.5	20	89
Gralton La Coster del Crivi	2021	Red	14.5	72	96
Gralton La Sort del Ponent	2021	Red	14.0	50	95
Gran Auctocton Negre	2020	Red	14.0	26	92
Gran Casa del Siurana La Fredat	2020	Red	15.0	26	88
Herència Altés Benufet Garnacha Blanca	2023	White	14.0	13	93
Herència Altés Garnacha Blanca	2023	White	13.5	9	91
Herència Altés Garnacha Cuptage	2023	Red	14.0	12	92
Herència Altés Garnacha Negre	2023	Red	14.0	9	89
Herència Altés L'Estel	2023	Red	14.0	16	92
Herència Altés La Borrasonna	2022	Red	14.0	16	94
Herència Altés La Musaranya	2023	White	14.0	19	92
Herència Altés La Pilosa	2022	Red	14.5	17	93
Herència Altés La Serra Negre	2022	Red	14.5	40	95
Herència Altés La Serral Blanc	2013	White	14.0	NA	96
Herència Altés La Serral Blanc	2021	White	14.5	36	95
Herència Altés La Tarentina	2023	Rose	14.0	26	93
Herència Altés La Xalamera	2023	Red	14.5	33	95
Herència Altés Lo Grau de Inquisidor	2021	Red	15.0	40	91
Herència Altés Trementinaire	2021	Orange	13.0	26	94
Heretat Balta de Cella Parellada	2023	White	11.5	16	87
Heretat Balta de Cella Xarel.lo	2023	White	11.5	17	87
Jane Ventura Finca els Camps Macabeu	2023	White	13.5	20	94
Jane Ventura Malvasia de Sitges	2023	White	13.5	16	94
Jane Ventura Sumoll	2020	Red	12.5	25	90
Jane Ventura Xarel.lo Vinyes Velles	2023	White	13.0	16	91
Jane Ventural Finca els Camps Negre	2019	Red	14.0	20	91
Jaume Grau Gratvs Crianza	2018	Red	13.5	10	91
Jaume Grau Sumoll Blanc Coleccio	2022	White	12.5	12	91
Jaume Grau Ull de Llebre	2014	Red	13.5	15	88
Jean Leon Gama Nativa Xarel.lo	2023	White	12.5	15	89
Jean Leon Vinya Gigi	2023	White	13.5	25	92
Jean Leon Vinya La Scala	2017	Red	14.5	47	93

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Jean Leon Vinya Le Havre	2021	Red	14.5	25	91
Jean Leon Vinya Palau	2020	Red	14.5	25	89
Joam Ametler Clos Corriol Blanc	2023	White	13.5	10	90
Joam Ametler Clos Corriol	2022	Red	14.5	12	88
Joan Ametler Clos Corriol Negre Seleccio	2019	Red	14.5	14	89
Joan Ametler Clos Mustardo Blanc	2021	White	14.0	17	92
Joan Grill El Jornal	2023	White	11.5	20	86
Joan Grill El Tiet	2023	White	13.0	18	91
Josep Foraster Blanc Seleccio	2023	White	12.5	12	92
Josep Foraster Brisat del Coster	2023	Orange	11.5	15	93
Josep Foraster Julieta	2023	Red	12.0	19	94
Josep Foraster Pep	2022	Red	13.0	38	95
Josep Foraster Trepal	2023	Red	12.0	13	91
Josep Grau Carines	2022	White	13.0	46	92
Josep Grau El Pas d'Estudiant	2022	Red	14.5	38	94
Josep Grau Granit	2023	White	12.5	24	93
Josep Grau Le Florens	2022	Red	14.5	28	95
Josep Grau Les Cassetes	2021	Red	14.0	75	92
Josep Grau Pedrabona	2023	Red	14.5	24	95
L'Enclos de Peralba Negre	2023	Red	14.0	16	93
L'Enclos de Perabla Tofol	2022	White	13.5	21	94
L'Enclos de Peralba Betzinera	2022	White	13.0	29	94
L'Enclos de Peralba Blanc	2023	White	13.0	15	92
L'Enclos de Peralba Els Escorpins	2022	Red	13.5	35	95
L'Enclos de Peralba Els Presseguers	2023	White	13.0	21	94
L'Enclos de Peralba Soldons	2022	Red	14.0	25	92
L'Enclos de Peralba Tres Feixes	2022	White	14.0	21	93
L'Olivera Agaliu	2023	White	12.5	13	87
L'Olivera Blanc de Marges	2023	White	12.5	14	89
L'Olivera Blanc de Sere	2023	White	12.0	10	88
L'Olivera Naltres	2022	Red	13.5	15	90
L'Olivera Rasim Vipansit	2020	Sweet	15.0	28	94
Ladiferenta Viticultors	2023	White	11.5	13	87
Ladiferenta Viticultors Entrerroques	2019	Red	14.5	25	88
Lafou de Batea	2020	Red	14.0	42	92
Lafou de Rams	2020	White	13.5	49	94
Lafou El Sender	2021	Red	14.5	13	94
Lafou Els Amellers	2023	White	13.5	17	93
Laurona Pythagora	2016	Red	15.0	33	90
Llicorella Vins Clar del Bosc	2022	Red	15.5	40	86
Llicorella Vins Minairo	2021	Red	14.0	25	89
Llopart Vi-brant	2023	Rose	11.5	22	89
Marco Abella Clos Abella	2021	Red	14.5	55	93
Marco Abella Olbia	2023	White	13.5	39	87
Marco Abella Roca Bella	2019	Red	14.5	82	95
Marco Abella Roca Grisa	2020	Red	14.5	82	94
Marco Abella Roca Roja	2020	Red	14.5	82	93

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Marti Fabra Claret d'Albra	2023	Rose			87
Marti Fabra Flor d'Albera	2022	White			87
Marti Fabra L'Oratori	2023	Red			88
Marti Fabra La Tribana	2021	Red	14.5	28	92
Marti Fabra Masia Pairal Can Carreras	NV	Sweet	15.0	20	92
Marti Fabra Seleccio Vinyes Velles	2022	Red	14.5	12	92
Marti Fabra Verd Albera	2023	White		8	88
Martia Fabra Mas Carreras Negre	2021	Red	15.0	20	93
Martia Fabra Masia Carreras Blanc	2022	White	15.0	19	92
Martia Fabra Vi Ranci	1986	Ranci	16.0	NA	95
Mas Blanch i Jove Sao Abrivat	2022	Red	14.5	14	87
Mas Blanch i Jove Sao Blanc	2023	White	14.0	15	90
Mas Blanch i Jove Sao Expressiu	2021	Red	14.5	21	86
Mas Blanch i Jove Troballa Blanca	2023	White	14.0	14	92
Mas Blanch i Jove Troballa Negre	2022	Red	14.5	14	93
Mas d'En Gil Clos Fonta	2018	Red	15.0	68	95
Mas d'en Gil Coma Blanca	2019	White	15.0	48	96
Mas d'en Gil Coma Calcari	2021	White	14.5	32	93
Mas d'en Gil Coma Vella Negre	2019	Red	14.5	32	93
Mas Doix Murmuri	2023	White	13.0	27	91
Mas Doix Poboleda Vi de Vila	2023	Red	15.0	60	95
Mas Doix Salix	2023	White	13.5	50	95
Mas Doix Tossal d'en Bou	2021	Red	14.5	425	97
Mas Foix Les Crestes	2023	Red	15.0	24	91
Mas Llunes Esventat Blanc	2023	Orange	13.5	13	92
Mas Llunes Esventat Negre	2022	Red	15.0	13	88
Mas Llunes Finca Butaros	2018	Red	14.5	60	89
Mas Llunes Rhodes 2020	2020	Red	14.5	16	91
Mas llunes Singulares Carinyena Blanca	2022	White	13.0	21	89
Mas Martinet	2022	Red	14.0	70	95
Mas Martinet Cami Pesseroles	2022	Orange	13.5	50	94
Mas Martinet Cami Pesseroles	2022	Red	14.0	90	95
Mas Martinet Els Escurcons	2022	Red	14.0	90	97
Mas Martinet Martinet Bru	2022	Red	14.0	25	93
Mas Martinet Ranci Dolc NV	NV	Ranci	17.0	NA	95
Mas Rodo Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Red	15.0	22	88
Mas Rodo Macabeu	2021	White	13.5	17	92
Mas Rodo Orange	2021	Orange	12.0	18	87
Mas Rodo Riesling	2022	White	12.0	18	87
Mas Rodo Verdejo	2023	White	13.0	18	86
Mas Vilella Blanc	2021	White	14.0	30	94
Mas Vilella Negre	2022	Red	15.5	32	88
Mas Vilella Tros de Mas	2021	Red	15.0	20	92
Maset 1777	2020	Red	14.0	25	90
Maset La Sinia	2023	White	12.0	13	89
Maset La Soledad	2022	White	12.5	14	90
Maset Natura Reserva	2019	Red	13.5	13	91

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Maset Natura Xarel.lo	2023	White	11.5	14	92
Masroig	2021	Red	14.0	38	93
Mastinell Arte	2022	Red	13.5	20	87
Mastinell Blanca	2023	White	12.0	16	89
Mastinell Eliane	2023	White	12.5	14	89
Mastinell Gisele	2023	White	12.0	19	89
Mastinell Irene	2023	Rose	11.5	14	88
Merum Priorati Desti Sols Garnatxa	2022	Red	15.0	55	90
Merum Priorati Desti Sols Garnatxa	2022	Red	15.5	38	89
Merum Priorati El Cel	2022	Red	15.5	150	92
Merum Priorati Inici	2022	Red	15.0	23	88
Moli dels Capellans	2022	Red	13.0	14	92
Moli dels Capellans La Coma	2022	Red	13.5	25	93
Nadal X	2023	White	12.0	12	90
Nadal X Col·leccio	2021	White	12.5	13	91
Nadal X Vermell	2023	White	12.5	14	90
Olivardots Blanc de Gresa	2022	White	13.0	22	92
Olivardots Etheric Carinyena Negre	2021	Red	14.0	70	95
Olivardots Etheric Rosat Blanc de Noirs	2022	Orange	13.5	40	93
Olivardots Gresa Negre	2018	Red	14.5	22	91
Olivardots Groc d'Amfora	2023	White	13.0	12	92
Olivardots v1 Carinyena	2019	Red	14.0	43	95
Olivardots V2 Carinyena	2019	Red	14.0	43	94
Olivardots V6 Carinyena Blanca	2022	White	13.5	40	96
Oliver Viticultors Brots Syrah Rose	2022	Rose	12.5	18	89
Oliver Viticultors Brots Xarel.lo	2021	White	13.5	18	91
Oliver Viticultors La Temptacio	2021	White	13.0	18	94
Oller de Mas Especial Carinyena	2019	Red	13.0	291	92
Oller de Mas Especial Picapoll	2021	Red	11.5	65	94
Oriol Rossell Les Cerveres	2023	White	13.0	25	92
Orto Vins Blanc d'Orto	2023	White	14.0	19	89
Orto Vins Le Carrerada	2019	Red	14.5	46	91
Orto Vins Les Comes	2022	Red	14.0	25	91
Orto Vins Les Pujoles	2019	Red	14.5	39	85
Orto Vins Les Tallades de Cal Nicolau	2019	Red	13.5	68	89
Parato Atica 3X3	2021	White	12.5	15	89
Parato Atica Acacia	2017	White	13.0	20	89
Parato Finca Renardes	2022	Red	13.5	10	86
Parato Samsó	2021	Red	14.0	22	92
Parato Ssanta Clara	2023	Red	14.0	12	89
Parés Baltà Absis	2019	Red	14.5	75	93
Parés Baltà Amphora Brisat	2022	Orange	12.5	30	94
Parés Baltà Amphora Brisat	2023	Orange	12.5	30	95
Parés Baltà Amphora Roja	2023	White	12.5	27	93
Parés Baltà Calcari	2023	White	12.5	13	90
Parés Baltà Cosmic	2023	White	12.5	13	88
Parés Baltà Electio	2022	White	13.0	40	95



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Parés Baltà Elena	2020	Red	14.5	13	92
Parés Baltà Espigol	2023	White	13.0	16	91
Parés Baltà Ginestra	2023	White	13.5	19	92
Parés Baltà Grosella	2021	Rose	13.0	15	89
Parés Baltà Hisenda Miret	2021	Red	14.0	29	95
Parés Baltà Marta de Balta	2019	Red	14.5	65	92
Parés Baltà Mas Irene	2019	Red	14.5	22	93
Parés Baltà Moneu	2022	Red	13.5	NA	95
Parés Baltà Neolithic	2022	Red	13.0	22	90
Parés Baltà Radix	2023	Rose	14.0	23	93
Parés Baltà Satellit	2022	White	13.0	NA	95
Partida Bellvisos Gratallops Blanco	2021	White	14.0	50	92
Partida Bellvisos Gratallops Garnatxa en Sol Pedrer Rosat	2022	Rose	14.0	38	93
Partida Bellvisos Gratallops Partida Pedrer	2019	Red	14.0	35	93
Perelada Aires de Gabet	2022	Red	14.5	49	92
Perelada Finca Ex Ex 15	2021	Red	14.5	65	93
Perelada Finca Malaveina	2022	Red	13.5	22	92
Pinord Hara	2021	Orange	13.0	29	89
Pinord Lluna Nova Xarel.lo	2018	White	12.0	22	88
Pinord Lluna Plena Chardonnay	2022	White	14.0	22	89
Pinord Pi del Nord	2011	Red	14.0	24	87
Pinord Viral	2023	White	12.0	10	89
Pla d'en Cucut El Cucut	2022	Red	14.5	14	92
Pla d'en Cucut La Rosado	2021	Rose	12.0	12	88
Prior Scala Dei	2022	Red	14.5	23	91
Propietat d'Espiells Aurora	2024	Rose	11.0	11	86
Propietat d'Espiells Casa Vella	2022	Red	13.0	17	89
Propietat d'Espiells Ermita d'Espiells	2024	White	11.5	9	88
Propietat d'Espiells Miranda d'Espiells	2024	White	11.5	12	90
Propietat d'Espiells Viver Espiells	2024	White	11.4	23	92
Ritme Blanc	2022	White	14.0	24	93
Ritme Etern	2022	Red	15.0	60	93
Ritme Negre	2022	Red	15.0	30	92
Ritme Plaer	2022	Red	15.0	40	92
Rosendo Esteve Verdala Negre	2022	Red	14.0	14	92
Rosendo Esteve Vins Dos Germans Blanc	2023	White	13.5	7	89
Rosendo Esteve Vins Dos Germans Negre	2023	Red	14.0	7	91
Rosendo Esteve Vins Verdala Blanc	2022	White	14.0	14	87
Sabate i Coca Castellroig So Blanc	2023	White	11.5	13	91
Sabate i Coca Castellroig So Negre	2020	Red	14.0	23	91
Sabate i Coca Terroja	2017	White	13.0	32	93
Sandra Doix MarLa Vi de Paratge Carinyena	2021	Red	14.0	98	95
Sandra Doix MarLa Vi de Paratge Garnatxa	2021	Red	15.0	128	91
Sandra Doix MarLa Vi de Vila Poboleda	2021	Red	14.0	38	94
Sandra Doix Popul Negres de Terrer	2021	Red	14.0	28	92
Sangenis i Vaque Clos Monlleo	2005	Red	15.0	70	93
Sangenis i Vaque Lo Bancal de Garnatxa	2023	Red	15.0	18	88

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Sangenis i Vaque Lo Coster Carinyena	2023	Red	15.0	25	92
Sant Josep Roc Singulars Brisat	2023	Orange	12.5	14	88
Sant Josep Vins Clos D'Encis Negre	2023	Red	13.5	5	88
Sant Josep Vins Laquarta Blan 2N Any V.V	2023	White	14.0	10	91
Sant Josep Vins Laquarta Negre 3R Any V. V	2021	Red	13.5	10	92
Sant Josep Vins Roc Singulars Blanc de 3 Anys	NV	White	13.0	19	95
Scala Dei Cartoixa	2021	Red	14.5	35	95
Scala Dei Heretge	2022	Red	14.5	65	94
Scala Dei Mas Deu	2021	Red	15.0	85	96
Scala Dei Massipa Garnacha Blanca	2022	White	14.0	42	94
Scala Dei Pregartera	2021	Red	14.5	NA	95
Scala Dei Rosat	2023	Rose	14.5	28	93
Scala Dei Sant Antoni	2021	Red	14.5	80	97
Scala Dei Vi Ranci NV	NV	Vi Ranci	15.0	NA	96
Segura Vidas Homenaje Rosado	2023	Rose	12.0	10	88
Segura Vidas Homenaje Tinto	2023	Red	13.5	10	86
Segura Viudas Homenaje Blanco	2023	White	12.0	10	88
Sindicat del Priorat	2023	Red	15.0	45	92
Single Vineyard Collectors Partida La Ricofa	2023	White	12.5	30	91
Sumarroca 2CV	2023	White	11.5	NA	89
Sumarroca Boria	2020	Red	13.5	na	91
Sumarroca Il.logic Xarel.lo	2023	White	11.5	NA	90
Sumarroca Marger	2022	White	12.5	NA	90
Sumarroca Terral	2019	Red	13.5	NA	88
Terra i Vins Bona Nit VS	2021	Red	14.5	19	89
Terra i Vins Bruixola Blanca	2020	White	14.0	20	91
Terra i Vins Bruixola Negre	2019	Red	14.5	16	89
Terra i Vins Bruixola Negre VS	2020	Red	14.5	30	91
Terra i Vins Flor de Nit VS	2021	White	13.5	18	87
Terrers de Llicorella Carinyena	2021	Red	14.5	25	90
Terroir al Limit Arbossar	2022	Red	13.5	75	96
Terroir al Limit Dits del Terra	2022	Red	13.5	72	96
Terroir al Limit Historic Blanc	2022	White	13.0	22	92
Terroir al Limit Historic Negre	2022	Red	13.5	22	93
Terroir al Limit Les Manyes	2022	Red	13.5	220	98
Terroir al Limit Les Tosses	2022	Red	14.0	220	98
Terroir al Limit Pedra de Guix	2022	White	13.0	75	96
Terroir al Limit Terra de Cuques Blanc	2023	White	13.5	35	93
Terroir al Limit Terra de Cuques Negre	2022	Red	13.5	35	95
Terroir Sense Fronteres Brisat	2023	Orange	12.0	20	92
Terroir Sense Fronteres Coreografia Rosat	2023	Rose	13.5	40	95
Terroir Sense Fronteres Coreografia Tinto	2023	Red	13.5	40	94
Terroir Sense Fronteres Guix Vermell	2022	Red	13.0	300	97
Terroir Sense Fronteres Marenca	2023	Red	13.0	75	96
Terroir Sense Fronteres Tinto	2023	Red	13.0	20	93
Terroir Sense Fronteres Vertebra	2023	Red	13.0	35	94
Tocat de l'Ala Blanc	2023	White	13.5	11	91

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Tomas Cusine Finca Barqueres	2019	Red	14.0	27	93
Tomas Cusine Finca Racons	2019	White	13.0	28	88
Tomas Cusine Geol	2019	Red	14.0	23	88
Tomas Cusine Macabeu Skin Contact	2023	Orange	11.5	14	88
Tomas Cusine Vilosell	2021	Red	14.5	23	90
Torella 50 Lliures	2023	White	12.5	15	92
Torello Gran Crisaly	2023	White	13.5	16	91
Torello Mas de la Torrevella	2023	White	12.5	13	87
Torre del Vegeur Maricel	2023	White	12.0	18	91
Torre del Vegeur Raims de la Immortalitat Xarel.lo	2022	White	12.5	30	92
Torre del Veguer Fonoll	2023	White	12.0	15	90
Torre del Veguer Jeronimus	2022	Red	14.0	26	89
Torres Clos Ancestral	2022	Red	14.0	17	91
Torres Clos Ancestral Blanco	2023	White	12.5	17	93
Torres Gran Coronas	2020	Red	14.0	17	90
Torres Milmanda	2021	White	13.5	61	93
Torres Perpetual	2019	Red	14.0	75	94
Torres Salmos	2020	Red	14.0	30	92
Torres Sangre de Toro	2023	Red	13.5	5	89
Trossos del Priorat Abracadabra	2021	White	14.5	36	93
Trossos del Priorat Lo Mon	2018	Red	14.5	26	92
Trossos del Priorat Pam de Nas	2019	Red	14.5	47	90
U Mes U Anais Negre	2022	Red	14.0	9	90
U Mes U Anais Xarel.lo	2023	White	12.0	9	89
U Mes U Dahlia	2023	Rose	12.5	12	89
U Mes U De Llevant	2023	White	12.5	12	89
U Mes U El Vol de Nuit	2019	Red	14.0	16	85
Vall Llach Colomer Vi de Paratge	2023	White	13.5	44	93
Vall Llach Mas d'en Cacador	2023	Red	15.0	93	95
Vall Llach Mas de la Rosa Gran Vinya Classificada	2023	Red	15.0	300	99
Vall Llach Porerri Vi de Vila Blanc	2023	White	14.5	28	93
Vall Llach Vi de Vila	2023	Red	15.0	55	95
Vallformosa Cap de Pera	2023	Red	14.0	12	89
Vallformosa Cap de Pera Terra Alta	2023	Red	14.0	12	89
Vallformosa Freye de Vallformosa	2023	White	11.5	11	88
Vallformosa Parellada Muscat	2023	White	11.5	10	90
Venus La Cartoixa	2020	White	14.0	55	93
Venus La Figuera	2020	Red	14.5	55	95
Venus La Universal	2020	Red	14.0	37	93
Venus La Universal Dido "La Solucio Rosa"	2022	Rose	13.5	21	94
Venus La Universal Dido Blanc	2022	White	13.5	22	94
Vilarnau Capricis de Vilarnau Xarel.lo Castanyer	2022	White	12.0	14	89
Vinicola del Priorat Mas dels Frares	2022	Red	14.0	13	88
Vinicola del Priorat Onix	2023	Red	15.0	12	88
Vinicola del Priorat Onix Evolucio	2021	Red	14.5	19	90
Vinicola del Priorat Terrers de Llicorella PX	2022	White	13.5	22	91
Vins Algars Flor de Trufes Negre	2021	Red	14.5	12	89

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Vins Algars Silvia Fernando	2021	Red	14.5	20	89
Vins Algars Trufes Blanc	2022	White	14.0	12	89
Vins Algars Trufes Blanc	2023	White	13.5	8	90
Vins Algars Trufes Negre	2022	Red	14.5	8	90
Vins de Mesies Garnatxa Blanca	2023	White	14.0	NA	88
Vins de Mesies Seleccio	2017	Red	14.5	16	86
Vins de Pedra L'Orni	2023	White	13.5	15	87
Vins de Pedra La Musa	2020	Red	14.0	15	90
Vins de Pedra Trempat	2022	Red	12.0	15	88
Vins de Taller Baseia	2023	White	14.0	30	90
Vins de Taller Geum	2023	Red	14.0	25	86
Vins de Taller Larix	2023	White	13.0	25	89
Vins de Taller Phlox	2023	White	13.0	25	88
Vins del Tros Cent X Cent	2023	Red	14.5	12	90
Vins del Tros Finca La Novena	2022	White	14.0	22	91
Vins del Tros La Blanca	2022	White	13.5	16	89
Vins dels Tros Lo Morenillo	2021	Red	13.0	24	92
Vins dels Tros Senora Carmen	2022	Red	14.0	22	91
Vins el Cep Brisats Xarel.lo	2023	Orange	13.0	22	92
Vins el Cep Clot del Roure	2023	White	12.5	17	91
Vins el Cep Les Madones	2023	White	11.5	26	92
Vins el Cep Pla del Boscq	2023	White	12.5	17	93
Vins el Cep Raco de Camps	2022	Red	14.5	22	87
Vinyes del Terrer Blanc del Terrer	2021	White	13.0	35	91
Vinyes del Terrer Blanc del Terrer	2023	White	13.0	10	92
Vinyes Domenech Amfora	2023	Red	14.0	17	93
Vinyes Domenech Bancal del Bosc Blanc	2023	Red	14.0	11	91
Vinyes Domenech Bancal del Bosc Blanc	2023	White	13.5	11	89
Vinyes Domenech Furvus	2022	Red	14.0	21	92
Vinyes Domenech Rita	2013	White	14.0	27	94
Vinyes Domenech Teixar	2015	Red	15.5	65	93
Vinyes Domenech Teixar	2019	Red	15.0	65	95
Vinyes Domenech Teixar	2020	Red	15.0	65	93
Vinyes Domenech Vinyes Velles de Macabeu	2022	White	13.0	24	91
Vinyes Domenechs Empelts	2021	Red	14.5	24	93
Viticola Sileo Costers de Cornudella Negre	2021	Red	13.5	22	89
Viticola Sileo Esporreres	2021	Red	13.0	49	92
Viticultor Bateans Manyol Blanc	2023	White	13.0	8	87
Viticultor Bateans Manyol Ecological Carinyena	2022	Red	14.0	15	90
Viticultor Bateans Manyol Seleccio	2022	Red	14.0	10	88
Viticultors Bateans Manyol Negre Jove	2023	Red	14.0	8	86

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