

NALTRES

Naltres is the word for “we” in the area around Vallbona. This wine is an expression of the collective project of the many hands behind it. A tribute to the people who make it possible: their names (all the names!) can be seen on the label.

RED WINE

2023

DO Costers del Segre

Sub-area Valls del Riu Corb

Varieties

Grenache (76%), Cabernet Sauvignon (14%)
and Carignan (10%)



VEGAN



L'Olivera
CULTURA DE MARGES

TERROIR

Weather

The climate is continental Mediterranean, with cold dry winters and hot summers tempered by the soft evening breeze blowing in from the sea that cools the night, particularly during the ripening season. The scarce rainfall is concentrated in autumn and spring (350-450 mm yearly).

Original land plots

Vineyards from Bosc de la Vila in the Corb River Valley subzone of the Costers del Segre DO. Plots characterised by the drystone walls that surround the vineyards, preserving the fertility of the soil and the efficiency of the water.

Soil

Chalky clay soil with variable levels of stoniness and depth.

Characteristics of the 2023 vintage

The 2023 vintage was, like 2022, also very complicated on an agronomic level, especially due to the low rainfall and extreme conditions with numerous days with maximum temperatures above 35°C. All these elements caused limited plant development and a considerable reduction in production (between 30 and 80% lower than the average in our dryland viticulture conditions). These extreme conditions of heat and drought forced us to advance the harvest to maintain the balance and quality of the grapes. We started very early, on August 18 and finished it on October 4. At least the conditions of drought and low humidity allowed us to harvest the grapes in ideal sanitary conditions and without any fungal infections.

THE WINE

Viticulture and wine processing

Certified organic dry land farming. We hand-pick the grapes into 10-12 kilo boxes. The grapes are then fermented whole in *pigeage* vats with a regular punch-down of the cap and under controlled temperature of 25-28°C. The wine is aged in cement tanks for 4 months, and the wine then rests in the bottle.

Analysis

Alcohol content: 14.5%
Total acidity: 3.19 g/l (sulphuric acid)
Volatile acidity: 0.51 g/l
Residual sugar: 0.4 g/l (glucose+fructose)
Total sulphur: <10 mg/l

Tasting notes

Intense nose, with notes of ripe grape, aromas of black plum and liquorice and a warm touch. On the palate it is sweet and round, with a good volume and a marked presence of the sweet touch of Grenache. Hints of tobacco and raisins with mineral notes. Good harmony with all types of game meats. Excellent accompaniment to duck-based dishes or traditional meat cannelloni.

Awards

Peñín guide:

2022: 89 points (2018 vintage)
2021: 88 points (2017 vintage)
2020: 89 points (2017 vintage)
2019: 89 points (2015 vintage)

Guia de Vins de Catalunya:

2021: 9.40 points (2017 vintage)
2020: 9.40 points (2017 vintage)
2019: 9.2 points (2016 vintage)
2018: 9.04 points (2015 vintage)

Grenaches du Monde 2021:

Gold medal (2018 vintage)

Concours Mondial de Bruxelles 2020:

Silver medal (2017 vintage)

Ecoracimo 2020:

Great Gold medal (2017 vintage)

International Wine Awards 2019:

Silver medal (2016 vintage)

Golden Leaf Awards:

2019: Gold medal (2016 vintage)

Catavinum 2017:

Silver medal (2015 vintage)