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

RED WINE 2018 DO Costers del Segre Sub-area Valls del Riu Corb

Varieties

Grenache (65%), Cabernet Sauvignon (18%), Carignan (17%)







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.

Chalky clay soil with variable levels of stoniness and depth.

Features of the 2018 vintage

The 2018 winter was characterised by heavy rains (625 mm). This forced us to care regularly for the vine to ensure its proper quality. The good weather during harvesting enabled us get the crop in under optimal conditions and at a balanced state of ripening. Harvest began on 15 September and ended on 18 October.

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 the same vat and left to rest for 18 months in the bottle.

Analysis

Alcohol content: 15.5%

Total acidity: 4.03 g/l (sulphuric acid)

Volatile acidity: 0.44 g/l

Residual sugar: 0.8 g/l (glucose+fructose) Total sulphur: 37 mg/l

pH: 3.44

Tasting notes

Intense nose, with notes of ripe black fruit (candied black plum), raspberries and a hint of flowers (violet). Indulgent bouquet, with a full body. The ripe fruit notes return with a long and complex aftertaste. Goes well with all types of game meat. Excellent accompaniment to duck-based dishes or traditional meat cannelloni.

Awards

Guía Peñín:

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

Guia de Vins de Catalunya:

2021: 9.40 puntos (2017 vintage) 2020: 9.40 puntos (2017 vintage) 2019: 9.2 puntos (2016 vintage) 2018: 9.04 puntos (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) 2017: Bronze medal (2015 vintage) Catavinum 2017: Silver medal (2015 vintage)