



# Best of Spain Top 100 ProWein 2022

# 100x Spain, 100x Indispensable

Two intense days of tasting, three experienced juries, almost 300 wines, and the full spectrum of styles: the tasting Best of Spain 2022 offers everything you should taste and know regarding the status quo of the Spanish wine scene.



Experienced jury: the team of Best of Spain 2022 at Meininger Verlag

Even though the world has been spinning a little differently over the past two years, it hasn't stood still when it comes to wine – certainly not with regard to the diversity of Iberian producers, who consistently perform at top notch.

Spain once again lives up to its reputation as a highly exciting wine country in this assessment. These two days revealed great surprises and interesting developments, even for experienced professionals and Iberian connoisseurs. It was not easy to make the final selection of the most outstanding 100 wines from a total of 289 wines. The bottom line presents a very balanced picture, with a list of insider tips, shooting stars, and classics for every wine professional.

Wine freaks and sommeliers know that the country holds a treasure trove of white wines, but the word has not yet spread to most wine fans. The Blancos of the Best of

Spain tasting can change that: from fresh, uncomplicated Verdejo to sophisticated and matured Albariños to real discoveries like Albillo from high altitudes, and an impressive Maturana Blanca – the spectrum is immense.

In terms of red wine, there are also exiting developments such as single-varietal

Garnachas from Rioja, single-vineyard Tintos, and the valuable tradition of well-matured Gran Reservas and Reservas. Exotic wines such as Maturana Tinta from the amphora or skilful international blends with Cabernet, Merlot, Syrah, and other varieties in the leading roles also impressed the tasters. By the way, one



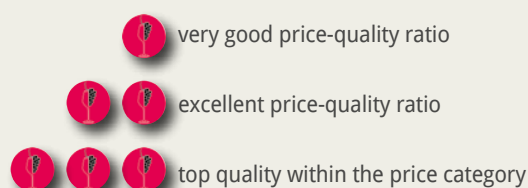
Best of Spain tasting-experts: Peer Holm ...



... and Christoph Nicklas

## The medals

Our new medals offer a visually clear and appealing combination of grape cluster and copa (glass) and are used as a fitting, easy-to-understand symbol for the quality of the wines – the more, the better. Wines can achieve up to three medals. Respective price ranges were considered in the assessment of the wines (the price categories were known to the tasters), thus the bar for a high-priced two or three medal wine within the category over 10 euros ex cellar is logically higher than for an everyday wine under 3.50 euros. Beyond the absolute quality assessment, the medals ultimately also provide an important and helpful guide to the price-quality ratio of a wine.



## The Showroom

In the Spain hall 13, where ICEX – Wines from Spain accommodates almost 250 producers, booth H10004 offers a showroom with the top 100 wines from Best of Spain. Each of these wines is accompanied by a certificate that also functions as an information sheet with a concise wine description and the booth number of the respective producer. In the case of wines that trade visitors particularly like, contact can thus be established quickly.

should not neglect the rosé wines: Bodegas Pinna Fidelis's oak-fermented Rosado from 2019 proved that this traditional style yields high-class, serious wines that function as brilliant food companions. Andalucía contributes an invaluable unique selling point for Spanish wine culture, demonstrating this with superb sherries in our tasting, both from biological and



Roughly 75% of the tasting were reds ...

oxidative ageing. These products certainly deserve all the attention they are currently receiving in the German and international media.

### Stars and rising performers

Some aspects of the Spanish wine landscape remain valid even in the face of

exciting trends. Tempranillo, for example, has underpinned its status as Spain's undisputed Tinto flagship – across all price ranges and many growing regions. Whether as Vino de la Tierra (e.g. Clunia 2016 from Príncipe de Viana), modern Ribera del Duero (such as the 100 Aniversario from Avelino Vegas), or as top Rioja in the new single vineyard classification (Viñedos de Sonsierra El Rincón de los Galos in 2017) – Tempranillo is and remains the star.

As Tempranillo for reds, so Albariño for whites. Galicia's flagship variety dominated the tasting at the top and again astonished with its ability to mature. Best examples: 2016 Armas de Lanzós from Palacio de Fefiñanes and 2012 Pazo Señorans Selección de Añada.

### Unbeatable in terms of value for price

The ever-impressive price-performance of the Spanish growths also remained valid in the tasting. Almost 30 wines in price categories I and II (i.e. up to a maximum of 5 euros ex cellar) were awarded one or more medals and are thus absolute best buys for Iberian everyday enjoyment at a high level. The upper mid-price segment (category IV, 8-10 euros ex cellar) recorded a significant increase compared to the previous edition of Best of Spain in 2020, both proportionally in terms of entries and qualitatively in terms of scoring. This is a clear indication that Spain is perfectly capable of catering to increasingly demanding palates.

**Christoph Nicklas**



... but sparkling, white wines and Sherry also demonstrated the versatility of Spain

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## Price category I € 2.50 to € 3.50

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### White wine



#### 2020 Doña Beatriz Verdejo Ecológico DO Rueda, Bodegas Cerrosol, 13F8002

Citrusy-herbal style, reminiscent of cool-climate Sauvignon, gooseberry and nettle, slightly yeasty-smoky; juicy, tart, mouth-watering, catchy



#### 2020 Doña Beatriz Verdejo Cepas Viejas DO Rueda, Bodegas Cerrosol, 13F8002

Fine, slightly flinty reduction, pomelo, white tea, fresh kitchen herbs, Granny Smith; continues like this on the palate, tart grip, good acidity

### Red wine



#### 2018 Tierra Imperial Crianza DO La Mancha, Bodegas Verdúguez, 13B90-2

Open, earthy spice, clove and allspice, porcini mushroom, lots of oak, cherry compote; herbaceous and minty on the palate, concentrated, youthful



#### 2019 Campos Reales Selección DO La Mancha, Bodegas Campos Reales, 13B9011

Discreetly floral, liquorice candy, cassis, ivy, slightly volatile; juicy-rustic, tapas food wine



#### 2015 Puente de Rus Crianza DO La Mancha, Nuestra Señora de Rus Sociedad Coop, 13A8007

Clear maturity, very fleshy, juniper, Earl Grey, tobacco, abundant oak; also mature and oaky on the palate



#### 2020 Balromero Tinto Roble, Delauvin, 13C8011

Dark, floral spice, throat lozenges, liquorice, some caramel; dense, round and substantial, catchy



#### 2020 Val de Souto DO Ribeiro, Bodegas Val de Souto, 13D9010

Volatile, ink, blackberry, refreshing style, prune, sour cherry, fine texture, subtle graininess, filigree palate



#### 2019 Pinna Fidelis Roble DO Ribera del Duero, Bodegas Pinna Fidelis, 13G10007

Violets, intense colour, blackcurrant juice, nicely integrated oak, subtle sweet liquorice, juicy on the palate, integrated tannins, alcoholic warmth, sophisticated for the Roble category



#### 2019 Puerto del Monte DO Bierzo, Long Wines, 13D8009

Balsamic notes, earthy, black cherry, underbrush, tart acidity, smoked meat, medium structure, rustic tannins



#### 2019 La Transición DO Cebreros, Soto Manrique, 13E9010

Slightly gamey, herbaceous-reductive, natural style, tobacco, sour cherry, dill pickle, very contemporary; spicy, taut and tart, rather light, thirst quenching

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## Price category II € 3.51 to € 5

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### Sparkling



#### 2018 Authentic Brut Nature Reserva DO Cava, Foobespain SIU, 13F9002

Pleasant yeast note, elegant mousse, yellow fruity, pleasant freshness, nice herbal notes, very typical Cava

### White wine



#### 2020 La Caprichosa Verdejo Sobre Lías DO Rueda, Palacio de Bornos, 13A9104

Abundant apple, plenty of fresh herbs, slightly reductive, attractive grapefruit notes; taut, slightly bitter, aniseed, very typical



#### 2020 Nai e Señora DO Rías Baixas, Adegas Terra de Asorei, 13D9018

Subtle herbal spice, notes of tea, lime and pomelo, also crunchy Granny Smith; appetizingly fresh, pleasant piquancy



#### 2020 The Flower and the Bee Coto de Gomariz DO Ribeiro, The Flower and the Bee, 13B9006

Hazelnut, stone fruit, tense structure, rosemary, salty iodine, yellow fruit, quince, well integrated



#### 2020 Terra de Asorei Albariño Crianza DO Rías Baixas, Adegas Terra de Asorei, 13D9018

Ripe yellow fruit, discreet crème caramel, apple cake, almond blossom, white tea, subtle herbs; precise acidity, mineral bite, very dry, appetizing

### Red wine



#### 2017 El Tío del Carro DO Jumilla, Bodegas Arloren, 13C9004

Blackberry, elderberry, juicy, fruity, ethereal, rather reductive style, typical Petit Verdot balsamic notes, pine forest, delicate fruit, fine, lacking slightly in depth and length, wet stone, earthy, stony



#### 2018 La Viña de Ayer DO Cebreros, Soto Manrique, 13E9010

Subtle gaminess, slightly Brettanomyces, earthy-herbal, black tea, fresh new oak in the background; also tart-herbaceous on the palate, taut and light bodied, herbal-spicy on the finish



#### 2019 Angel Crianza DOCa Rioja, Bodegas y Viñedos Ilurce, 13G9011

Lots of sweet wood, caramel and toffee, bacon, rosehip jam, cherry pie; extreme wood sweetness, liquorice lingers



#### 2019 Pasión de Bobal DO Utiel-Requena, Vinos Sierra Norte, 13F9011

Volatile, plummy, elderberry, intense blackberry, pleasant freshness, morello cherries, crisp acidity, rustic tannins, juicy on the finish

**2019 Torremayor Vino de la Tierra  
Extremadura, Viña Santa Marina, 13C8010**

Interesting mix of smoky dried meat aromas and fresh red fruit, mocha, allspice, earthy herbal spice; very concentrated and compact, fine wood, round without being voluptuous

**2019 Dehesa de Luna Orígenes,  
Agropecuaria Vallefrío Nueva, 13B8004**

Sour cherry and tart forest fruit, very straightforward, more berries than oak; herbaceous berries on the palate, liquorice, streamlined

**2017 Finca Mónica Reserva DOCa Rioja,  
Long Wines, 13D8009**

Fresh cherry juice, delicate herbal spice, subtle vanilla and cinnamon, blueberry jelly, accessible, open-hearted

**2016 Señorío de la Eralta Gran Reserva  
DOCa Rioja, Bodegas La Eralta, 13E9011**

Currant, tomato plant, dark chocolate, ethereal, balsamic, bay leaf, fine tannins, pleasant play of fruit sweetness and acidity, delicately fruity, long

**2018 Valsotillo Finca Buenavista DO  
Ribera del Duero, Bodegas Ismael  
Arroyo, 13F9011**

Fleshy, smoky, graphite, elderberries, drying tannins, rustic on the palate, compote

**Rosé****2019 Pinna Fidelis Rosado DO Ribera del  
Duero, Bodegas Pinna Fidelis, 13G10007**

Dark red fruit, serious Rosado, leafy, tobacco, Black Forest ham, raspberry pulp, white mushroom; also yeasty-smoky on the palate, very multifaceted, lovely oxidation

**Fortified wine****La Guita Manzanilla DO Jerez-Xérès-  
Sherry, José Estévez, 13C9002**

Ultra bright aroma, camomile, green olives, citrus peel; salty-citrusy-nutty, crisp, light

**Price category III  
€ 5.01 to € 8****Sparkling****2017 Cuvée Antonia Perles Blancques brut  
DO Cava, Naveran - Sadeve, 13G8012**

Ripe exotic note, elegant mousse, hazelnut nuances, at peak

**2019 Cuvée Antonia Perles Roses brut DO  
Cava, Naveran - Sadeve, 13G8012**

Fresh, fruity, cherry, intense mousse, simple everyday cava

**White wine****2018 Nivarius Edicion Limitada DOCa  
Rioja, Bodegas Nivarius, 13E9008**

Iodine, fennel, vegetal, crisp acidity, rustic style, wet hay, viscous, ethereal finish

**2020 III Milenium DO Ribeiro,  
Bodegas Cunqueiro, 13D9001**

White flowers, floral, citrus notes, pink grapefruit, green apples, lively acidity, delicate minerality, grip and creaminess, good length

**2020 Mara Martín DO Monterrei,  
Bodegas Martín Códax, 13D8007**

Saline nuances, vegetal style, plenty of citrus, hazelnut; slight maturity, lean, shows volume and length

**2020 Finca Arantei DO Rías Baixas,  
Bodegas La Val, 13F9011**

Intense citrus fruit, subtle exotic notes, mango, peach-apricot cobbler, herbs and tea in the background; continues in exactly the same way on the palate, appealing astringency, animating

**2020 Rioja Vega Tempranillo Blanco  
Colección Tempranillos DOCa Rioja,  
Rioja Vega, 13E9003**

Creamy-powdery fragrance, sandalwood, mild and rounded, vanilla, succulent texture, long finish

**2020 Coto de Gomariz DO Ribeiro,  
The Flower and the Bee, 13B9006**

Ripe apple, juicy, powerful, discreet exotic fruit, pineapple, green banana, elegant, harmonious, requires aeration, well structured

**2019 Los Corrales de Moncalvillo  
Maturana Blanca DOCa Rioja,  
Bodegas Corral, 13F8011**

Waxy, honey, nutty, brittle, viscous, white chocolate, hyacinth, candied orange, broad on the palate, long finish, oxidative style

**2018 Terra de Asorei Selección Privada  
Albariño Crianza DO Rías Baixas, Adegas  
Terra de Asorei, 13D9018**

Subtle maturity, apple pie with cinnamon, camomile tea with honey, dark yeast spice; very substantial and concentrated on the palate, appealing astringency, firm grip, rounded edges

**2020 Las Moradas de San Martín DO  
Vinos de Madrid, Viñedos y Crianzas del  
Alto Aragón, 13H8005**

Marzipan, nutty, yellow fruit, red berries, complex aroma, bracing acidity, grainy mouthfeel, taut spine, mineral, salty, good length

**2020 Finca Antigua DO La Mancha, Finca  
Antigua, 13E9015**

Honey, candied pear, very ripe pineapple, caramel, well integrated sweetness, fine acidity, nougat, harmonious

**Red wine****2013 La Cruz Vega DO La Mancha,  
Bogarve 1915, 13B9001**

Immediately quite intense fragrance, blackberry, cedar, bitter chocolate, very harmonious impression, juicy-taut, great freshness, little oak



**2020 Time Waits For No One DO Jumilla, Ego Bodegas, 13H9001**

Forest berries, cassis, blueberry, lavender, sage, sweet paprika, ripe tannins, harmonious, well integrated oak, good length



**2014 Mileto Reserva DOCa Rioja, Bodegas Alvia, 13A9017**

Gingerbread, Christmas biscuits, tobacco, smoky, leather, walnut, wonderfully nervy acidity, deep, balanced, filigree, classic Rioja style, good length



**2018 Rupestre Gold Garnacha Tintorera DO Almansa, Santa Cruz de Alpera, 13B8001**

Cool, balsamic, fleshy, fresh, surprisingly lean impression, good acidity, coffee and smoke, good ageing potential



**2019 Otazu Premium Cuvée DO Navarra, Bodega Otazu, 13G8001**

Cool to austere fragrance, juniper, band aid, ammonia, sour cherry; juicy, cool, slightly herbaceous spiciness



**2017 Olivares Crianza DO Jumilla, Bodegas Olivares, 13C9003**

Oxidative style, autumn leaves, tobacco, leathery, broad on the palate, ripe tannins, rustic, dried flowers



**2018 Bancales Olvidados DO Ribeira Sacra, Adegas Ponte da Boga, 13G9013**

Blueberry, graphite, fleshy, cool characteristic, damp stone, dense tannins, soft, smoky rustic at the back of the palate, dried fruit



**2018 Terraje DO Jumilla, Parajes del Valle Bodegas y Viñedos, 13C9008**

Wild berries, subtle red cabbage, beet root, liquorice, blueberry, sage leaves, herbal spice, tight acidity, fleshy, elegant, almost youthful, alcohol very well integrated, good length



**2019 Losada DO Bierzo, Losada Vinos de Finca, 13F8009**

Black forest fruit, olive, coal, smoke, rustic style, plenty of character; grippy tannins, long spicy finish



**2016 Mizantar Primera Seleccion, Bodegas Celaya, 13A8006**

Open, smoky, plenty of tobacco and leaves, quite classic, smoked ham, prunes; makes a light impression, traditional, vegetal, easy-drinking



**2016 Cueva del Chamán Esencia Garnacha Tintorera DO Almansa, Santa Cruz de Alpera, 13B8001**

Beautiful complexity, pleasant freshness, balanced, juicy, tight tannins, dark fruit, charcoal, smoky, good length, great acidity, good potential



**2017 Bodegas Lleirosso Crianza DO Ribera del Duero, Palacio de Bornos, 13A9104**

Black olive, bacon, smoke, clove, nice balance, very balanced, conservative



**2019 Pago de La Jaraba, Pago de la Jaraba, 13A8003**

Serious, earthy-herbal-spicy style, band aid, pepper, mulberry and black cherry; very round without being voluptuous, subtle tobacco spice, long



**2018 Dehesa de Luna Graciano, Agropecuaria Vallefrío Nueva, 13B8004**

Dill, garden herbs, mustard seed, black cherry, bracing acidity, bay leaf, complex, concentrated, multifaceted, fine-grained tannin



**2017 Maravides 12 Meses, Viñedos Balmoral, 13E8001**

Open, slightly herbaceous-rustic aroma, plum jam, tobacco, liquorice candy; tart, substantial, but not too opulent



**2012 Verum V Reserva Familiar, Bodegas y Viñedos Verum**

Plenty of Brettanomyces, ripe and open, old school, dried fruit, cinnamon in the background; pleasantly light on the palate, spicy, classic



**2019 Tres Picos DO Campo de Borja, Bodegas Borsao, 13F9008**

Ripe, dark fruit, plums, dates, rum, dark chocolate, smoked bacon, very well integrated alcohol, juicy, almost playful, suspenseful, multifaceted



**2017 Fariña Crianza DO Toro, Bodegas Fariña, 13F9006**

Elderberry, blueberry, oxidative style, fleshy, cloves, rosemary, juicy, very mild tannin structure



**2019 Les Sorts Sycar DO Montsant, Celler Masroig i Seccio Credit, 13A9009**

Subtle, open nose with tobacco, leaves, ham, delicate salted caramel, dried fruit; grainy tannins, salty bacon, very straightforward



**2016 Clunia Tempranillo, Bodegas Clunia, 13E9004**

A wine with two faces: on the one side slightly herbaceous, on the other side striking cherry, sinewy tannins, cool minerality, and tremendous potential



**2016 Marqués de la Concordia Reserva DOCa Rioja, Marqués de la Concordia Family of Wines, 13H9010**

Chocolate, mocha, chocolate, fresh peppermint, blackberry jelly, soft on the palate, good grip, roasted nuts, vibrant acidity, harmonious tannin structure



**2018 Rioja Vega Edición Limitada Crianza DOCa Rioja, Rioja Vega, 13E9003**

Hay, leather, balsamic notes, coffee beans, herbs, laurel, round, harmonious, complex, graphite, fine tannins, elegant, nervy acidity, youthful with potential

## Fortified wine



**Fino Perdido DO Jerez-Xérès-Sherry, Sanchez Romate Hnos, 13F8001**

Honey, salted almond, pumpernickel, quite dark aromas; intense yeast, salty, plenty of umami, long without heaviness

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## Price category IV

### € 8.01 to € 10

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### Red wine



#### 2018 Parada de Atauta DO Ribera del Duero, Bodegas Dominio de Atauta, 13H8004

Conservative, ethereal nose, allspice, dried red fruit, full body, subtle minerality on the palate, grainy finish



#### 2019 Barahonda Summum Monastrell DO Yecla, Bodegas Señorío de Barahonda, 13F10009

Eucalyptus, fennel, chocolate, herbal spice, fine-grained tannins, wild berries, good length



#### 2014 Altanza Familia Reserva DOCa Rioja, Bodegas Altanza, 13H8001

Smoky, green peppers, plum, malty, slightly vegetal, green beans wrapped in bacon, fine acidity, slightly rustic tannins



#### 2018 Pirineos Marboré DO Somontano, Bodega Pirineos, 13A9106

Endless black pepper, liquorice, dark cherry, very serious; fine, young tannin, juniper and laurel, taut



#### 2014 Particular DO Cariñena, Bodegas San Valero, 13H8001

Toffee, nougat, Black Forest cherry torte, recognisable maturity, liquorice, slightly feral, harmonious, ripe tannins, good length



#### 2019 Saleta Monastrell Selección Especial DO Jumilla, Artiga Fustel, 13E9006

Chocolate, black cherry, blueberry, liquorice, ripe red bell pepper, balanced, good tannin structure, somewhat leathery, well integrated alcohol, quite good length



#### 2014 Pagos de la Sonsierra Reserva DOCa Rioja, Bodegas Sonsierra, 13C9001

Savory, black cherry, peppery, ammonia, self-contained, precisely crafted, fine tannins, extract sweetness, at peak



#### 2018 Hacienda Zorita Natural Reserve Syrah DO Arribes, Marqués de la Concordia Family of Wines, 13H9010

Expressive spice, ammonia, cool herbs, menthol, subtle toffee, cinnamon plums in rum, Linzer torte, multifaceted; impressive presence and superbly refreshing acidity, amazingly compact, cool



#### 2018 Demuerte Deluxe DO Yecla, Winery On Bodegas, 13G10001

Ripe, herbal spice, lavender, blue-flowery, peppery, rosemary, very complex in the nose, power and intensity, grainy tannins, wonderful length



#### 2017 Delampa 50 años DO Jumilla, Bodegas Delampa, 13C9014

Ethereal, eucalyptus, lavender, rosemary, sweet oak, full bodied, wonderful length, intact, liquorice, marzipan, dark chocolate



#### 2016 Santa DO Yecla, Bodegas Castaño, 13E9009

Dark wild berries, rosemary, pine forest, liquorice, dried fruit, pleasant juiciness, full body, power, well structured tannins, good length and presence on the palate



#### 2018 Los Corrales de Moncalvillo Maturana Tinta DOCa Rioja, Bodegas Corral, 13F8011

Very intense in colour, dark chocolate, lavender, rosemary, thyme, cassis, pine needles, smoky, cooked fruit, liquorice, extract sweetness, ripe tannins, powerful, tomboyish



#### 2016 Viña Olabarri Reserva DOCa Rioja, Viña Olabarri, 13G8002

Eucalyptus, plums, ripe cherry, malty, vanilla, old wood barrel, matured tannins, harmonious, filigree, good length



#### 2017 Selección Ramírez de la Piscina Reserva DOCa Rioja, Ramirez de la Piscina, 13G8010

Green herbs, then fruit, dark fruits compote, ripe tannins, mulberries, dark chocolate, invigorating acidity, balanced, harmonious, discreetly smoky, smoked salt, good length

### Fortified wine



#### Moscatel Promesa de Valdespino DO Jerez-Xérès-Sherry, José Estévez, 13C9002

Pine resin, elderberry and lemon balm, bright citrus fruit, very clear mace notes, marzipan; very intense, yet not too much, superb finish to a meal

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## Price category V

### over € 10

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### White wine



#### 2018 Coto de Gomariz Finca O Figueiral DO Ribeiro, The Flower and the Bee, 13B9006

Yellow-fruited, tangerine, blood orange, a hint of wood, pineapple; tart-spicy, herbs, grip, good length, multi-faceted



#### 2012 Pazo Señorans Selección de Anada Crianza DO Rías Baixas, Pazo de Señorans, 13D9007

Very complex, mature Blanco: initially slightly dull, reductive and medicinal on the nose, but after aeration come bright flowers, tea with honey, lanolin, braised fennel and pear; on the palate pronounced herbal notes, salty minerality, shortbread, austere, phenolic



#### 2016 Armas de Lanzós DO Rías Baixas, Bodegas Palacio de Fefiñanes, 13D9009

Exotic fruit, discreet herbs, mild spice, camomile, lime blossom, slightly floral, a little vanilla, grippy acidity, salty iodine notes, multi-layered, complex, ageing potential, appears younger, well-integrated aromas

## Red wine



### 2019 Lualma DO Yecla, Bodegas Señorío de Barahonda, 13F10009

Smoky, liquorice, rosemary, flint, graphite, well structured, well integrated alcohol, multifaceted, good length, ripe tannins, potential



### 2018 Protos 27 DO Ribera del Duero, Protos Bodega Ribera Duero de Peñafiel, 13A9103

Complex nose, ash, wet stone, smoke, violets, meaty, liquorice, blackberry, disciplined, beautiful flow, abundant tannins, elegant acidity



### 2018 La Mira DO Cebreros, Soto Manrique, 13A9103

Attractive appearance, brightly coloured and clear; very contemporary nose, hints of Pinot, red berries, subtle tobacco and cinnamon, violets, earthy touch; slender, yet dense and salty, earthy herbal spice, bitter chocolate, elegant



### 2016 Gladiator, Viña Santa Marina, 13C8010

Sophisticated fragrance, lots of peppermint tea and menthol tobacco, fresh mushroom, butter caramel, crème de cassis, slightly vegetal; intensity continues skilfully on the palate, taut, sweet hazelnut



### 2015 Finca Valpiedra Reserva DOCa Rioja, Finca Valpiedra, 13E9015

Chestnut, dark fruit, herbs, morels, forest floor, balsamic, vibrant acidity, tidy



### 2011 Paisajes Cecias DOCa Rioja, Uvas Felices, 13H9004

Clear maturity, but very vibrant and present: beef stock, allspice, laurel, black cherry and forest fruit, undergrowth; quite concentrated and substantial, fine maturity, abundant earthy spice



### 2018 Pico de Luyas Trus DO Ribera del Duero, Bodegas Trus, 13E9008

Gamey nose, berry, balsamic, pronounced tannic structure, cool elegance, mineral, tremendous length, potential



### 2017 El Rincón de los Galos Viñedo Singular DOCa Rioja, Bodegas Sonsierra, 13C9001

Nougat chocolate, balsamic, pleasant play of fruit with blackberry and sour cherry, hay blossom, lavender, harmonious yet simultaneously demanding, superb tension, juiciness



### 2019 Los Corrales de Moncalvillo Maturana Tinta en Ánfora DOCa Rioja, Bodegas Corral, 13F8011

Nutty nougat chocolate, smoky, bread crust, cassis, sour cherry; cool fruit on the palate, walnut, tensely structured, youthful impression that shows potential and finesse yet also playful and still somewhat closed



### 2018 Parcela Uno DO Ribera del Duero, Bodegas López Cristóbal, 13D8008

Exciting wine, rather traditional, smoky, meaty, spicy, evergreen forest, beautifully vibrant, red fruit



### 2011 Livius Reserva DOCa Rioja, Bodegas Alvia, 13D8008

Very herbal, floral notes, violets, fleshy, velvety tannin structure, amazingly fresh, balsamic, invigorating acidity, good length, finesse, complex



### 2016 La Baraja DO Ribera del Duero, Bodegas Vilano, 13H9007

A stormy Ribera with plenty of potential, very dark style, accentuated minerality, tremendous depth, firm tannin structure, demanding and complex



### 2016 Nabal Crianza DO Ribera del Duero, Bodegas Nabal, 13G8004

Very intense and expressive wine, Ribera as it lives and breathes, sweet tannin, aromatic oak, pine, chalky minerality, spiciness



### 2018 Gémina Premium Finca Los Tomillares DO Jumilla, Bodegas BSI, 13B9004

Herbal tea, thyme, meat stock, wild berries, forest floor, chocolate; fine-grained tannins, harmonious, multifaceted, good length, elegant, very well integrated alcohol



### 2018 Por tí DO Jumilla, Bodegas Luzon SL, 13E8003

Feral, gamey, elderberry, well structured, pleasant acidity, plenty of extract, cherry, blackberry, red berry compote, full body, good length



### 2015 Viña Olabarri Gran Reserva DOCa Rioja, Viña Olabarri, 13E8003

Smoky, fine tanned leather, sauna, classic GR style, juicy and vibrant, invigorating acidity, appetizing drinkability, good length, complete, good potential



### 2015 Godelia Selección Mencía DO Bierzo, Bodegas Godelia, 13D8002

Clove, hibiscus, dark berries, mouth-filling tannins, good drinkability, aromatic oak on the finish, a bit of rosemary, fiery notes, balsamic



### 2017 Dehesa de Luna Gran Luna, Agropecuaria Vallefrío Nueva, 13B8004

Very attractive aroma, subtle red cabbage, allspice, open and slightly earthy; very exciting and appetizing on the palate, tart juiciness, very focused



### 2016 Avelino Vegas 100 Aniversario DO Ribera del Duero, Avelino Vegas, 13E9012

Complex, sophisticated Ribera, smoky, mineral, wonderful acidity, impressive structure with abundant sweet yet taut tannins, great potential, remarkable acidity, pronounced cherry

## Fortified wine



### Oloroso Encontrado DO Jerez-Xérès-Sherry, Sanchez Romate Hnos, 13F8001

Alpine hay and straw, olive brine, wormwood, pine resin, baby banana, sourdough, sesame; ultra tight, concentrated, lemony, vibrant



### Amotillado Olvidado DO Jerez-Xérès-Sherry, Sanchez Romate Hnos, 13F8001

Orange zest, cinnamon, soy sauce, miso, dark liquorice; ultra salty, sourdough, almond paste, fresh lemony finish