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Bodegas Gratas, Soy Arenas, Manchuela, Spain, 2020



Producer Profile

When Ana and Iván got together for a party with some oenologist friends in 2007, they decided to make some wine and put it in a barrel.

The results of this first vintage were astonishing and so Bodegas Gratas was born. After the success of the first vintage, they realised they had a chance to make a difference. In a region with a declining wine industry, Ana and Iván are on a mission to protect old vineyards of Bobal and other local varieties, championing the vinous heritage of the area. They champion Manchuela as a region capable of producing exciting and relevant wines that draw on the best of tradition and indigenous varieties, yet with a spin that is undeniably looking to the future. These wines are artisanal and as natural as they come, being organically grown, fermented with natural occurring yeasts and minute sulphur additions, if any.

Viticulture

Worked using ancient and traditional viticulture, the bush vines are grown without irrigation. On the surface of the soil are the typical riverstones and sand found in this region.

Winemaking

An incredibly natural wine, with no additives or sulphur used. A manual harvest which allows for a first selection in the field as well as at the winery. Respecting the raw material that has been nurtured from the vineyard, they work in a minimalist way so as not to add anything to the wine that is not already there. Whole bunches are put into the fermenter and after 5 days of fermenting with the skins the wine is pressed. For malolactic fermentation and ageing, the wine rests in old used French barrels for 7 months.

Tasting Note

Red ruby in colour, with purple layers. A scented nose, more floral than fruity. Persistent length, bold presence on the forepalate and a subtle but elegant finish.

Food Matching

Easy to drink on it's own, but really good with vegetable dishes like moussaka.

Technical Details

Varieties:

Bobal 100%

ABV: 14.5%

Colour: Red

Style: Still wine

Case Size: 6 x 75cl

Oak Ageing

Time: 7 Months

Type: French

% wine oaked: 100

% new oak: None