

Viña Tondonia Reserva, 2012 (Red)



HISTORY:

R. López de Heredia, founded in 1877, preserves tradition with meticulous vineyard practices and extended aging in historic cellars, crafting renowned wines from their own vineyards in Rioja Alta, Spain.

TECHNICAL TASTE:

Region/ Sub-Region: Spain, Rioja, Rioja D.O.C

Alcohol: 13%.

Variety: 70% Tempranillo, 20% Garnacho, 10% Graciano and Mazuelo, from ancient vines. End September-early October, all done by hand, cutting with a curved knife "corquete". With an alluvial clay and limestone soil.

Aging: Aged for 6 years in 225L American oak barrels handmade by López de Heredia coopers, with bi-annual racking. Further aged for at least 4 years in bottle before release.

Tasting Notes:

Vibrant red color with sparkling ruby, leading slightly towards amber. Delicate, complex, and developed nose with aromas of leather, cured meats, cherries, and dried apple skins. On the palate, the wine retains its vitality, showing freshness, acidity, and full tannins.

Wine & Spirits Magazine: Awarded 93 points, Viña Tondonia Reserva 2010 is fresh with scents of sap and pitch, showcasing red apple acidity, tart Methley plum flavors, subtle dill, and a delicate lacy texture with persistent freshness. **Wine Enthusiast Magazine:** Awarded 96 points, this garnet-colored wine offers aromas of blackberry, dark chocolate, and herbes de Provence. Smooth with flavors of pomegranate, cranberry, caramel, olive tapenade, and Mediterranean herbs, balanced by vigorous tannins and bright acidity.