

Familia Montaña

Montaña Gran Reserva 2014



WINERY: *Familia Montaña*

COUNTRY: *Spain*

REGION: *La Rioja*

APPELLATION: *D.O.C. Rioja*

SUBREGIONS: *Rioja Alta & Alavesa*

GRAPES: *90% Tempranillo*

7% Graciano

3% Viura

AGE OF VINES: *over 60 years*

WINEMAKING: *Manual harvest, 100% destemmed fruit, maceration for 25 days with daily pump-overs.*

AGING: *30 months in American and French oak barriques, racked every 6 months, aged 24 months in bottle*

WINEMAKER: *Isaac Fernandez Montaña*

ALCOHOL: *14%*



THE WINE:

90% Tempranillo, 7% Graciano and 3% Viura. Estate vineyard El Ciego (“the blind”) is planted in limestone and clay soils at 630 meters. Aged 30 months in French and American oak barriques, then a further 24 months in bottle. Mineral notes complement the well assembled, silky fruit. Structured and elegant tannins lead to a long finish, approachable now but with a very long life ahead.

THE WINERY:

The Montaña family traces its heritage to the origins of the modern Rioja wine industry in the late 19th century. Román Montaña consolidated the family business in 1920 as the viticultural component of one of Rioja’s grand old marques, situated in medieval cellars underneath Haro, capital of Rioja Alta. The Montaña family retains portions of these impressive cellars to this day. Román’s grandson Oscar Montaña currently directs a vineyard estate comprising over 270 acres of prime sites in the Rioja Alta and Alavesa districts. The Montaña vineyards boast a high average vine age, many vines dating to the immediate post-phylloxera period and including significant acreage of the rare Graciano.



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