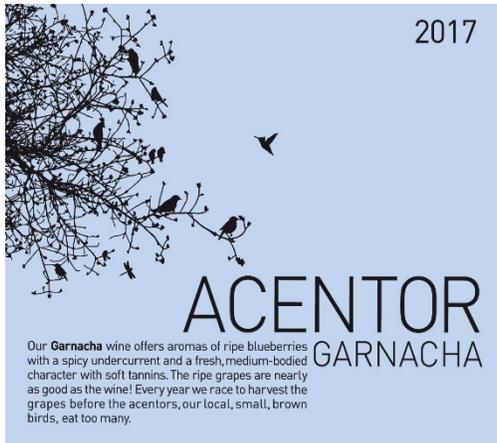


# Acentor Garnacha 2017 (red wine)



Isaac Fernandez Seleccion is a unique collaborative venture between two individuals – Isaac Fernandez one of Spain’s most acclaimed winemakers and Aurelio Cabestrero whose vision and commitment helped bring Spanish wines to the forefront in the United States.

2011 was a busy year for the partners as they launched several new wines, a Verdejo from Rueda, a Bobal from Utiel-Requena and this project focused on beautiful old vines of Garnacha grown on the high slopes of Calatayud in what was once the ancient kingdom of Aragon. *Acentor* is named for the small brown birds, similar to starlings which come to eat ripe grapes, always a sign that they are nearly ripe enough to make great wine.

<b>Appellation</b>	Calatayud D.O.
<b>Grapes</b>	100% Garnacha, from 50+ year-old, bush vines
<b>Altitude / Soil</b>	750-900 meters / iron-rich red clay with abundant surface stones
<b>Farming Methods</b>	Traditional Methods
<b>Harvest</b>	Hand harvested into small boxes
<b>Production</b>	Destemmed grapes were fermented in cement tanks
<b>Aging</b>	Aged for 5 months in used, 50% French and 50% American oak barrels
<b>UPC / SCC / Pack</b>	8-437012-498068 / 8-437012-498075 / 12

## Reviews:

“This 100% Garnacha from 50+ year-old bush vines is slate-like with a dark cherry, berry and peppery nose. It is soft on the attack with medium acidity and finishes dry and slightly astringent. Aged 7 months in French and American oak.”

**90 points** *International Wine Review*; "Spanish Wines of Value and Quality" - June 20, 2019

“Fresh cherry and berry flavors mingle with light herb and licorice notes in this round, tender red. Light tannins and juicy acidity keep this focused and fresh. Fruit-centered, but with nice subtlety. Drink now through 2024. 1,500 cases made, 800 cases imported.”

**88 points** *Wine Spectator*; "Tasting Highlights, 8 Spanish Values for \$25 or Less" – March 2020

“The 2017 Acentor is another fine vintage of Garnacha from this consistently strong estate. The wine is ripe and nicely balanced, offering up a deep nose of black raspberries, bonfire, dark soil tones, spit-roasted game, coffee grounds and a bit of spice in the upper register. On the palate the wine is deep, full-bodied and plush at the core, with a good touch of meatiness and spice, good focus and grip, moderate tannins and just a whisper of backend heat perking up the long finish. This is listed at 14.5 percent, but carries its octane very well and is a tasty example of old vine grenache made without any makeup in the cellar. Good juice in a riper style. 2022-2040.”

**88 points** *View from the Cellar*; Issue # 85 - January/February 2020

