

# Legado del Moncayo 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. They work at rediscovering forgotten regions of superior terroir and maximizing the potential from old vines of indigenous grape varieties in a number of regions.

2013 was the first vintage of Legado del Moncayo, a subtly oaked, old vine Garnacha from Campo de Borja. This wine compliments their existing offering from Calatayud as it offers more floral, red fruit aromas and lighter weight. In 2014 they added an un oaked wine made from younger vines, a delicious wine priced to be enjoyed everyday. In 2015 they expanded the line again with a unique expression of Garnacha Blanca, an exceedingly rare grape in the area. Finally in 2016, they produced their first dry Muscat, a highly aromatic, white wine that pairs beautifully with intensely flavored foods.

<b>Appellation</b>	Campo de Borja D.O.
<b>Grapes</b>	100% Garnacha Tinta, from 25 year-old-vines
<b>Altitude / Soil</b>	560-600 meters / gravelly, chalky loam
<b>Farming Methods</b>	Traditional methods
<b>Harvest</b>	Hand harvested fruit
<b>Production</b>	Grapes were destemmed and lightly crushed prior to fermentation in stainless steel tanks
<b>Aging</b>	Aged for a few months in stainless steel tanks prior to bottling, no oak.
<b>UPC / SCC / Pack</b>	8437012498419 / / 12

## Reviews:

“The 2017 Garnacha Tinto from Legado del Moncayo is nicely ripe, coming in at fourteen percent octane and delivering a classic varietal nose of black raspberries, roasted venison, pepper, garrigue, a touch of celery seed and a complex base of stony soil tones. On the palate the wine is full-bodied, complex and impressively soil-driven, with a rock solid core, ripe tannins and a long, tangy and very well-balanced finish. This is an insanely good value at \$11 per bottle here in the states and reminds me of when Châteauneuf du Pape was the bargain in French wines back in the early 1980s! It is approachable today, but will also age very nicely and will be even better with a few years in the cellar to let the tannins soften up a bit more. A great value! 2019- 2035.”

**90 points** *View from the Cellar*; Issue #78 - November/December 2018

“Simple, but simply delicious, this is a very pure rendering of Garnacha that doesn’t come off as grapey or obvious, which is exactly the danger for this grape in this style. Subtle savory undertones lend complexity and interest, and there’s enough acidity to keep it fresh, and enough tannin to offer framing. Basically a perfect, risk-free wine for Thanksgiving, this delivers roughly the juicy, open fruit flavors associated with good, standard Beaujolais, except that the flavors are both deeper and more lasting.”

**88 points** *Wine Review Online*; Michael Franz "Go with Garnacha for Thanksgiving" Nov. 19, 2018

