

Mil Cepas Cencibel Viño de Parcela 2016 (Red Wine)



In 2012 Manuel Manzaneque Suarez his own winery with his wife Paloma, focused on producing high quality wines based on the indigenous Cencibel grape of La Mancha. 2014 was the first-time winemaker Manuel Manzaneque chose to bottle a single plot as a unique wine. This wine, Mil Cepas, literally One Thousand Vines, is that wine. The unique sandy soils of this vineyard lead to slower ripening and additional complexity in the finished wines.

Appellation	Vino de la Tierra de Castilla
Grapes	100% Cencibel, from low-yielding, 40 year old vines from a 1.9 acre vineyard
Altitude / Soil	800 meters / sandy with limestone subsoil
Farming Methods	Practicing Organic since 2011, not certified
Harvest	Hand harvested, with sorting at both harvest and at the winery
Production	Cold pre-fermentation maceration for 1 week, followed by fermentation with native yeasts in stainless steel tanks
Aging	Aged for 14 months in second use French oak barrels
UPC / SCC / Pack	8-437006-184915 / / 12

Reviews:

“Vivid ruby-red. A wild, expansive bouquet offers ripe red fruits, cured meat, musky herbs and succulent flowers. Verging on feral, this intensely perfumed wine evokes bitter cherry, red currant, smoked meat, licorice and rose pastille on the palate. Turns sweeter with air and finishes long and spicy, with fine-grained tannins sneaking in late to add subtle grip. Choosing your drinking partners carefully is well-advised here – it might just be you, or me, if I'm somewhere nearby. 2021- 2026.”

92 points *Vinous*; Josh Reynolds – February 2021

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