

San Roman 2015 (Red Wine)



Bodegas y Vinedos San Roman is a family-owned winery that was founded by iconic winemaker Mariano Garcia in 1998 as Bodegas y Vinedos Maurodos. His vision was to produce world class wines which balanced freshness and longevity in the bottle against the renown power of the region's wines.

In recent years the winemaking team, under Eduardo's direction, has been producing wines in a fresher style, harvested at the optimum moment to balance freshness and richness. This leads off with intense attention to farming exceptional grapes using organic methods and some biodynamic concepts and practices.

In 2017, they released their first single vineyard "reserve" wine called Cartago Paraje de Pozo, which comes from a plot of 45-year-old vines on very sandy soils and sees extended aging in oak barrels.

Appellation	Toro D.O.
Grapes	100% Tinta de Toro (Tempranillo), from ungrafted vines between 60-100 years old
Altitude / Soil	700-850 meters / sand, clay and gravel, mostly with large surface stones
Farming Methods	Practicing Organic, incorporating some Biodynamic principles and practices
Harvest	Hand harvested fruit, hand sorted at the winery prior to processing
Production	Grapes were destemmed and lightly crushed prior to fermentation with native microbes, 2 weeks of skin maceration
Aging	Aged for 24 months in a combination of French and American oak barrels, 25% new
UPC / SCC / Pack	8437014707373 / 28437014707377 / 12

Reviews:

"This is a fantastic release from... Toro. The richest and most "impressive" of the three vintages of this wine that I've been fortunate to taste, it shows a lovely aromatic wisp of woodsmoke, but from somebody's else's campfire... Scents of ripe fruit are also evident, showing both red and black fruit tones along with suggestions of baking spices. In palate profile, it offers medium-plus body with good density but no sense of heaviness, and much more flavor impact than sheer weight, with no hint at all of over-ripeness from a hot, dry year that could easily have produced that result. Clearly based on extraordinary fruit sourced from an un-grafted single site with vine age of 45+ years, this is on the lavish side in terms of fruit that's nicely counterbalanced by a well-measured dose of the finest oak... By "well-measured," I mean more specifically that the proportions of fruit and oak in the wine's aftertaste are almost identical to when the wine first tips out of the glass and onto one's tongue. This is a very special wine made to improve for many years, but the fact is that it is already beautiful and easy to enjoy with food."

96 points Wine Review Online; Michael Franz – Issue: December 1, 2020

"A hint of gaminess on the nose, but the palate is packed with generous fruit. Notes of chocolate from the oak are married to cherry and elderberry fruit, tobacco smoke and cedar. Silky texture with grip but also great finesse. Great persistence. Power and elegance combined. Drink 2019-2035"

95 points Decanter Magazine; "Discover Toro" – March 2019

"Deep, shimmering violet. Expressive, spice-accented aromas of blackberry, cherry liqueur, vanilla and licorice, plus a smoky mineral nuance in the background. Sweet and penetrating on the palate, offering juicy black and blue fruit and violet pastille flavors and a suggestion of exotic spices. Rich yet lively in style, with a very long, gently tannic finish that features lingering smoke and mocha notes. 2022- 2032"

94 points Vinous Media; Josh Reynolds - February 2021

"Cocoa, licorice and spice notes frame ripe plum and currant flavors in this rich, generous red. The firm tannins are well-integrated and balsamic acidity keeps this lively and balanced. Harmonious, in the modern style. Drink now through 2030."

93 points Wine Spectator; Issue #238 – August 2018

