

## Cellars Can Blau

## Monsant, Spain

Cellers Can Blau is located in the D.O. of Montsant, which probably has not yet shown its real potential as far as enological quality is concerned. Contrary to its illustrious neighbor, Priorat, in Montsant one may work with many characteristic varieties and each vine is planted in soils of different compositions. The Cariñena and Garnacha vines used for the production of these wines has an approximate age ranging from 25 to 40 years. The vineyards of Garnacha are around 2,000 ft. in altitude in the area of Cornudella de Montsant on slate soils. Cariñena vineyards in the Darmós and Masrig area are on clay soils, and the Syrah vineyards are located on limestone soils.

The project, together with the Gil Family and Victor Rodriguez, is headed in technical aspects by winemaker Nuria López Sarroca

Cellers Can Blau, founded in 2003, is one of the oldest projects of the Gil Family in Jumilla. Placed in El Molar, in the DO Montsant, this winery is the most diverse project regarding the grape varieties and the type of soils. The DO Montsant is nowadays releasing at its best the enological quality of its wines. Differently from its illustrious adjacent DO Priorato, in DO Montsant we work with unique varieties such as Cariñena or Mazuelo and Grenache, planted in and adapted to different types of soils. Nuria López Sarroca is the person in charge of the technical direction of the Winery.

Cellers Can Blau have 35Ha of vineyards, aged –on average- 40 years. We work with three different varieties, grown in three differently composed soils: sandy and clay soil for the Cariñena or Mazuelo vine, calcareous soil for the Syrah vine and slate and limestone-based soil for the Grenache, which gives personality and special features to grapes

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