Dominio de Es

Experience the depth and elegance of Dominio de Es Carravilla, a premium wine from Ribera del Duero that captures the essence of this renowned region with its complex aromas and robust flavors.

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Carravilla 2020

Ribera del Duero, Spain

Region and Vineyards

The **Dominio de Es Carravilla** originates from the prestigious **Ribera del Duero** region, specifically from a small **0.27-hectare plot** located at an altitude of **935 meters** . This vineyard benefits from a distinctive terroir characterized by **chalky soils**, which impart a notable minerality to the wine. The high elevation ensures a significant diurnal temperature variation, crucial for developing the grapes' aromatic intensity and maintaining their acidity.

Ribera del Duero, situated along the Duero River, is renowned for its rigorous climate, featuring hot summers and cold winters. The unique combination of soils and climate in this region contributes to the complexity and richness of the wines produced here, with the **Carravilla** being a prime example of these exceptional conditions.

Winemaking

The **Dominio de Es Carravilla** is composed primarily of **95% Tempranillo** (Tinto Fino) and **5% Albillo**. The grapes are carefully hand-harvested to preserve their quality and are then **100% destemmed** before fermentation. The fermentation process is carried out at controlled temperatures, followed by an extended **maceration period** to extract maximum flavor and color.

After fermentation, the wine is aged in **French oak barrels** for approximately **19 months**. This aging process allows the wine to develop additional complexity and integrate the oak's subtle flavors of vanilla and spice without overpowering the inherent characteristics of the fruit. The careful management of the oak aging ensures a balanced and harmonious final product .

Alcohol :13,10 %

Composition: 95% Tempranillo, 5% Albillo Mayor

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Tasting Notes

- **Color:** Deep ruby red, indicating a wine of substantial concentration.
- **Aroma:** The nose reveals an elegant and aromatic profile with notes of **red berries**, **herbs**, and **minerals**. Subtle hints of **spice** and **earth** add complexity to the bouquet.
- **Palate:** On the palate, the wine is fresh and fluid, with a pronounced minerality from the chalky soils. The **tannins** are well-integrated, providing a smooth texture. Flavors of **ripe red fruits**, **herbal nuances**, and a touch of **oak** lead to a long, balanced finish .

Did you know?

Did you know? The Carravilla vineyard, where this exceptional wine is produced, is noted for its unique chalky soils, which are rare in Ribera del Duero. These soils contribute significantly to the wine's distinctive mineral character. The vineyard's altitude and soil composition create a microclimate that is ideal for producing wines of great elegance and complexity.

Wine Pairing Ideas

- **Roasted Duck with Cherry Sauce:** The wine's acidity and fruit flavors complement the rich, savory profile of the duck, while the cherry sauce enhances the wine's berry notes.
- **Aged Manchego Cheese:** The wine's minerality and acidity balance the creamy, nutty flavors of this traditional Spanish cheese, creating a delightful contrast.
- **Grilled Portobello Mushrooms:** The earthy flavors of the mushrooms harmonize with the wine's herbal and mineral notes, enhancing the overall tasting experience.
- **Lamb Stew with Rosemary and Thyme:** The robust tannins and complex flavors of the Carravilla pair beautifully with the rich, savory elements of the lamb stew.

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Robert Parker (RP) : 95 Points (2020)

As I previewed in barrel last year, the 2020 Carravilla has lower alcohol than ever and was finally bottled at 13.1%. It fermented destemmed and matured in three French oak barrels for some 19 months. As I previewed in the barrel sample I tasted in June 2021, this is not as ethereal and fine-boned as the Viñas Viejas de Soria, and in fact, despite the lower alcohol and the paler color, it also seems to be more powerful and rustic than the 2021 Carravilla that I tasted next to it. It has abundant tannins that are going to require more time in bottle. Only 793 bottles produced. It was bottled in May 2022.