



Torres

Torres Celeste Reserva is an exceptional expression of Tinto Fino (Tempranillo) from the DO Ribera del Duero, capturing the elegance and intensity of the region's high-altitude vineyards.



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Celeste Reserva 2018

Ribera del Duero, Spain

Region and Vineyards

This wine comes from the prestigious **DO Ribera del Duero**, one of Spain's premier wine regions, located in the Duero River Valley. The vineyards are situated at an impressive **895 meters above sea level**, among the highest in the appellation, where cooler temperatures and significant diurnal variation help produce wines with excellent acidity and aromatic complexity.

The soils in this area are **medium to fine-textured**, rich in carbonates, and formed on **Miocene limestone and marl formations**. These characteristics contribute to the wine's minerality and structural balance. The vines, some up to **80 years old**, are deeply rooted, yielding low quantities of intensely flavored grapes, ensuring a wine of remarkable depth and concentration.

Winemaking

This vintage benefited from a dry winter with slightly cooler minimum temperatures, followed by a mild and very rainy spring. Summer was less extreme compared to previous years, allowing the grapes to ripen slowly and evenly, leading to a harvest with fruit of exceptional quality.

Fermentation took place in a combination of **stainless steel and cement tanks** to retain the purity and vibrancy of the fruit. Malolactic fermentation was carried out predominantly in new oak barrels, where the wine was aged on its lees for **two months**, adding texture and depth. Following this, the wine was aged for a minimum of **16 months** in a mix of **French and American oak barrels**, with **40% new barrels**, imparting subtle notes of spice and cedar. This precise aging process ensures a perfect integration of fruit and oak, enhancing the wine's complexity and elegance.

Tasting Notes

- **Color:** Opaque, dark cherry red, showcasing its depth and vibrancy.
- **Aromas:** Rich and aromatic, featuring **blueberries**, clove, and fine wood notes reminiscent of **cedar** and **incense**.
- **Palate:** Elegance over power defines this wine, with tightly woven, fine-grained tannins that unfold with fragrant complexity. The finish is long and persistent, highlighting balance and refinement.

Alcohol :14,50 %

Composition: 100% Tempranillo



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Did you know?

The name **Celeste**, meaning "heavenly," reflects the inspiration of the starry skies above the high-altitude vineyards. The Torres family crafts this wine to embody the celestial beauty and timeless quality of the region.

Wine Pairing Ideas

- **Grilled lamb chops with rosemary and garlic:** Matches the wine's earthy and herbal nuances.
- **Roasted duck with plum sauce:** Complements the wine's fruit-driven profile and fine tannins.
- **Aged Manchego cheese:** Balances the wine's structure and enhances its elegant aromas.
- **Wild mushroom risotto:** Highlights the wine's subtle spice and mineral undertones.

Wine Enthusiast (WE) : 93 Points (2018)



This dark garnet wine features aromas of cherry, milk chocolate and coffee bean. Coffee notes transition to the palate plus flavors of black cherry, purple fig, dark chocolate, roasted red pepper and herbes de Provence. Dense tannins briefly settle onto the tongue and gums and are washed away by bright fruit.

James Suckling (JS) : 93 Points (2018)



Red and black plums and blue fruit on the nose, together with some vanilla, sweet spice, blue flowers and tobacco. A very juicy, medium-bodied red, showing a bright and refined center-palate that lingers to a very long, spicy finish. A very drinkable Ribera del Duero underscored by succulence and firm but polished tannins.



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