## CARLOS SERRES

## RIOJA GRAN RESERVA 2012

Carlos Serves was a pioneer in Rioja. In 1896 he established one of the first wineries in Haro, the wine capital of Rioja. He was an instrumental figure in promoting the early exports of Rioja wines. Today, the Bodega remains family-owned and operated and is one of only a few centenarian producers in Rioja (100+ years old). The estate is just southeast of Haro and spreads out over nearly 150 acres of premium Rioja Alta vine-yards with vines average 30+ years old. Bodega Carlos Serres sets out to remain one of the most internationally-renowned and influential wineries in Spain.



## Vineyard Notes

100% Estate Grown. The Tempranillo, Graciano and Mazuelo grapes for this wine come from a selection of the different parcels of the Finca El Estanque vineyard, a 60-hectare vineyard owned by the winery in the best areas of Haro. The vines are 35 years old on average. It was then aged 36 months in a combination of American and French oak barrels, then a further 36 months ageing in bottle. The grapes were handpicked in October.

APPELLATION: Rioja D.O.Ca VARIETALS: 85%Tempranillo, 10% Graciano and 5% Mazuelo

**COLOR:** Cherry red color with a thin terracotta edge showing its longer barrel age.

**AROMA:** Shows its mature black fruit, toffee and mineral notes.

**FLAVOR:** This is a silky wine with harmonious balance of flavors with an elegant and refreshing finish.

13.5% Alcohol

**FOOD PAIRING:** Perfect for matching any grilled meats, stews or barbecued meats. It also accompanies charcuterie, steaks and even game and stronger cheeses.



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