



SINGLE VINEYARD

Contino Graciano 2011

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Name of Wine: CONTINO
Type of Wine: Graciano
Region of Production: Rioja
Year: 2011
Vintage Rating: Excellent
Grape Varieties: 100% Graciano

Bottle Type: Bordeaux
Case / Bottle Size: C/6 -75cl

Alcoholic Volume: 14% Vol.
Total Acidity: 6,5 gr/l
pH: 3.254
Volatile Acidity: 0.554
SO2 Free / Total: 30/90ppm
IPT: 54,3

WINEMAKING

2010 was categorized as an excellent vintage. The growing cycle was characterized by low and well-distributed pluviometry throughout the year. Winter 09/10 we had snow up to 4 times in an unusual way! and Spring temperatures were lower than the previous year and lower than average in our estate. Summer temperatures were moderate without heat spikes and the harvest started on the 27th of September. Temperatures were cool and conditions were dry throughout the harvest that ended on the 25th of October.

VINTAGE / HARVEST DESCRIPTION

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TASTING NOTES

Deep purple on the center, with blue hues on the rim. Very aromatic with wild blueberries, cassis notes, anis seed and aromatic herbs mint and eucalyptus and a slight hint of leather. The Atlantic character of this vintage makes this wine very bright on the palate with a long finish. Very present tannins that will require further bottle age to enjoy the wine at its best.





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