



Casas de Bosque Gran Reserva Syrah 2015

Winemaker: Meinard Bloem
Appellation: Casablanca Valley
Varietal: Syrah
Yields per Acre: 2.4 tons/acre
Wood treatment: 100% French Oak.
Length of barrel maturation: 6 months



Alcohol: 14%
pH: 3.51
Total Acid: 5.2 g/l
Residual Sugar: 4.0 g/l

UPC: 697412000379

Viticultural Practices: On arrival at the winery all grapes were de-stemmed and crushed to open-top tanks. The must was then warmed and inoculated with selected yeasts (Assmanhaussen and RC212) and fermented during 10 days with temperatures peaking at 32°C/90°F. During fermentation the vats were hand-plunged twice daily in order to extract the ideal amount of tannin and color. Following the completion of fermentation the wine was drained off (after a total maceration time of 9 days) and put to barrel. The wine was aged for a total of 6 months in second use French oak barrels before being bottled with minimal filtration.

Winemaker Notes: Brick red in colour. On the nose rich notes of crushed strawberry and bramble are in evidence. In the mouth spicy notes of cinnamon are accompanied by a hint of cedar and red cherry. A well integrated oak backbone is backed-up by abundant, well-rounded tannins lending to excellent length and structure.

Score(s): 97 pts/Platinum Medal Decanter World Wine Awards - Black olive, roasted meat complexity and intense berry notes on the nose. Lovely juicy savory style, with a touch of peppery spice and toast.

93 pts Tim Atkin

91 pts Descorchados
