

# CASTELL D'ENCUS • QUEST

TYPE

**RED, COSTERS DEL SEGRE**

LOCATION

PYRENEES, PALLARS JUSSÀ, CATALUNYA, SPAIN



## VINEYARD

Grape Varieties: Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc, Merlot and Petit Verdot

Vines Age: ~15 years

Elevation: 3,280 ft

Soil: Calcareous loam of marine origin

Climate: High altitude, mountain Mediterranean

Harvest: Handpicked, in 10 kg boxes

## WINEMAKING

Winemaker: Raül Bobet

Fermentation: In open air, 12th-century stone-carved vats (lagares), indigenous yeast

Maturation: Undergoes malolactic fermentation and then spends 17 months in 225-liter French oak barrels

## WINE

Alcohol: 14.3%

Production: 1600 cases

## PITCH

- Small production.
- Winemaker & proprietor Raül Bobet is one of the most revered winemakers in Spain, and is co-owner of one of the top wines of Spain: Ferrer-Bobet (Priorat).
- Classified Bordeaux level.
- Drinks well now and will continue to improve over 15 years from vintage.
- Ample acids make the wine complementary to variety of dishes.
- Quest, a word original from Latin, it means 'search'. This search, questioning ourselves, belongs to our DNA and we understand it as a learning to produce fresh and elegant wines.

## TASTE

2013: "The dominant aromas are herbal, very spicy, with the oak in the background and a mixture of different berries and herbs. The palate shows the elegant tannins of the Bordeaux varieties, a clear Atlantic accent with good acidity and a remarkable length. It has subtle elegance and it should age in bottle for a long time. I like this very much. It would be interested to follow its evolution." The Wine Advocate.

## THINK

Bordeaux, Pauillac, Brunello di Montalcino.

## AWARDS, SCORES AND PRIZES

The Wine Advocate: **94** (2016), **93** (2015), **93** (2014), **94** (2013), **92** (2012), **91** (2011), **92** (2010), **90** (2009)

Guía Peñín: **93** (2014), **92** (2013), **94** (2012), **96** (2011), **91** (2010)

Robert Parker: **94** (2018), **94** (2017), **94** (2016), **93** (2015), **93** (2014), **94** (2013)