

# 2017 Gran Crossos

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## Clos Galena Wines, Priorat, Spain



### **The Wine:**

A blend of 45% Grenache Noir (Garnacha), 20% Cabernet Sauvignon, 20% Merlot and 15% Carignan. Barrel fermented and aged for 12 months in a combination of 80% French and 20% American oak. Total production is 12,000 bottles in 2017. The vines are grown organically and vary in age from 15 years to 55 years old

### **The Estate:**

Clos Galena is a family-owned winery located near El Molar in Priorat. Owner Merche Dalmau produces small quantities of distinct and terroir-driven wines from the rugged and isolated hills of Priorat. Winemaking is done by Toni Coca. The 11 acres of vineyards are planted to Grenache, Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Carignan and Syrah. They practice organic viticulture and yields are exceptionally low to create wines of authenticity that are expressive of this unique land.

### **Tasting Notes:**

**Color:** Dark crimson

**Aromas:** Black and red cherries, crushed slate, wild flowers and dark chocolate

**Flavor & Texture:** Ripe blackberry, vanilla, and tobacco lead to a dense texture with lifted freshness

**Food Pairing:** A local Priorat dish made from roasted venison cooked with plums, carrots, fresh herbs and red wine reduction

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