

Salanques 2016

**Balance, intensity and purity.
The true character of Priorat**

Tasting note

“Its color is ruby with violet reflections. The nose is a symphony of berries, such as blueberries, raspberries and currants, against a balsamic background and wood undertones. In the mouth it is voluminous and coats the tongue with a dense texture. It has a good structure made up of tannins that are still there but will be cleaned up with some time kept in the bottle. The end is drawn out and reminds one of blackberries and cherries. A Priorat not to be missed, either to start enjoying now or to be kept in the cellar for about five years. It would be an ideal pairing with meats such as roast lamb, a beef round in sauce or smaller game, as well as with aged cheese.”

Vila Viniteca

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Varieties: 65% from 40 -80-year-old Grenache vines, 25% from 80-year-old Carignan and 10% from 15-year-old syrah.

Soil: Hills of “llicorella”, Paleozoic laminar slate, at an altitude of 350-450 meters above sea level. Yields of 300 g grape/vine.

Climate: Mediterranean with a continental trend. High thermal contrast between night and day.

Elaboration: Certified organic viticulture. Harvesting by hand into 10 kg crates. Grape by grape classification using a double selection table. Fermentation of destemmed grapes in stainless steel tanks and wood barrel.

Aging: 14 months in a new fine-grained barrel of French oak (50% new and 50 % two-year-old barrel).

Bottling: 18.000 bottles in April 2018 without clarification or filtration.

Alcohol content: 14,5% vol. **pH:** 3.13 **Total Acidity:** 6,6 g / L

Vintage 2016

A record vintage. Small healthy grapes, fruit of the driest summer we have had to date after a rainy spring. The moderate average temperatures with small showers in September provided us with one of the calmest and longest vintages of the last few years. Excellent ripeness and acidity. A benchmark vintage, one of the best in the last few years.

