



TERROIR AL LÍMIT | PRIORAT

Les Tosses 2017



Nothing ever compares with your first love. Especially when that love began through fate, a stolen glimpse through the trees. Might it have been destiny that steered Dominik Huber and his motorbike through the twisting and mountainous dirt roads to the tiny, 2-ha Les Tosses plot at 600 meters of elevation, this grand cru vineyard is not only the highest in the Torroja del Priorat village, but also the first (2003) in the Terroir al Límit collection. It is the Matterhorn of winemaking, a challenge that must be attempted simply because it is there: 80-year-old carignan vines, steep black slate slopes, blazing southwestern exposition. It was also love at first sight. Inspired by a cellar approach from the far-flung cool and fog-laden Burgundy hills, this wine is hand harvested, with whole cluster native fermentation, skin-kissed for two weeks, and then aged for 16 months in 1200l Stockinger fuder for 16 months.

Like the dusty, sun baked hills of Torroja in which it grows, there is a rugged, raw power to this wine. Opulent black fruits and rich aromas of smoke and spice swirl in the nearly black depths of the glass. Despite the initial hint of brawn, a serious, thoughtful character emerges with a bright, taut acidity and incredible momentum. Each sip becomes a mesmerizing whirlwind of the delicious power and energy, intensity and beauty that accompany any true infatuation.

Vineyards

Location	Torroja del Priorat
Age	80 years old
Altitude	600 meters
Orientation	South
Varieties	100 % Carignan
Soils	Black slate

Technical details

Production	2,700 bottles
Yield	2,000 kg per hectare
Alcohol	14 %