

2014 Gran Reserva Viña Arana Gift Box

La Rioja Alta S.A., Rioja Wine Region, Spain

Product details

Vintage:	2014	Drinking:	2020 2028
Producer:	La Rioja Alta S.A.	Alcohol:	
Region:	Rioja Wine Region	Variety:	
Country:	Spain		

Tasting notes

This has amazing aromatics: sweet blackberry and black cherry fruit with dried herbs, tar and spice, as well as some hints of vanilla and coconut, and sweet tobacco, too. The palate is juicy and supple, but also quite profound, showing cherries, berries, spice, sweet herbs, some cedar and coconut from the oak, and a lovely sense of harmony and precision. It's a ripe wine, but shows such complexity and focus, with everything pulling in the right direction. I'm just so impressed with this wine: in its style - classical Rioja - it is just about perfect, and is beginning to enter a very long drinking window. So complex and layered and refined.

96 points, Dr Jamie Goode, wineanorak.com

About the producer

Formed by five families in the late 19th century, the La Rioja Alta S.A. winery is one of the most iconic names in Fine Wine, and a benchmark for the traditional style of Rioja. Their Tempranillo-led reds are aged for remarkably long periods in barrels from the producer's cooperage, and they are one of the last remaining producers to rack their wines by hand and by candlelight - which they do every six months. While they always upheld standards and tradition, La Rioja Alta S.A. never stopped experimenting and pushing for better quality, offering some of the purest, more precise expressions of Tempranillo in the world.

