Acentor Garnacha 2020 (red wine)



Isaac Fernández Selección is a unique collaborative venture between two individuals – Isaac Fernandez one of Spain's most acclaimed winemakers and Aurelio Cabestrero whose vision and commitment helped bring Spanish wines to the forefront in the United States. 2011 was a busy year for the partners as they launched several new wines, a Verdejo from Rueda, a Bobal from Utiel-Requena and this project focused on beautiful old vines of Garnacha grown on the high slopes of Calatayud in what was once the ancient kingdom of Aragon. *Acentor* is named for the small brown birds, similar to starlings which come to eat ripe grapes, always a sign that they are nearly ripe enough to make great wine.

Calatayud D.O.
100% Garnacha, from 50+ year-old, bush vines
750-900 meters / iron-rich red clay with abundant surface stones
Traditional Methods
Hand harvested into small boxes
Destemmed grapes were fermented in cement tanks
Aged for 5 months in used, 50% French and 50% American oak barrels
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Reviews:

"I always like the Acentor bottling of Garnacha, which is made from high elevation, old bush vines, with the wine fermented in stainless steel and aged for four months in oak casks. The 2020 version comes in at 14.5 percent octane and delivers a lovely nose of raspberries, orange peel, garrigue, stony soil tones, bonfire, pepper and a lovely array of baking spice tones in the upper register. On the palate the wine is bright, ripe and full-bodied, with a good core of red fruit, fine transparency and grip, ripe, chewy tannins and good length and grip on the complex finish. This is good juice and a fine value (as always). 2025-2045."

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