Light & Elegant Wines from NW Spain with Tim Atkin MW

Junta de Castilla y León

WINE	PRODUCER	CONTACT	UK IMPORTER	POINTS	TIM'S TASTING NOTES
CÁMBRICO RUFETE EL POCITO 2017 SIERRA DE SALAMANCA	VIÑAS DEL CAMBRICO	FERNANDO@ CAMBRICO.COM	BERKMANN	95	Pale and hauntingly delicate in colour, this is wild, savoury and complex, with wonderful grip and precision and a long, gritty finish.
CUATRO RAYAS VIÑEDOS CENTENARIOS 2020 RUEDA	BODEGA CUATRO RAYAS	EXPORT@ CUATRORAYAS.ES	MATTHEW CLARK, BIBENDUM	93	Showing the concentration of its old vines, this is a rich, intense, well-balanced Verdejo with pear and citrus fruit and salty undertone.
ARRAYAN ALBILLO REAL GRANITO 2020 CEBREROS	BODEGAS ARRAYAN	COMERCIAL@ ARRAYAN.ES	BOUTINOT	93	Stony, waxy and complex, with notes of citrus, banana and honey, a nip of tannin and impressive layers of complexity.
PÁRAMOS DE LEGARIS 2017 RIBERA DEL DUERO	ALCUBILLA (CODORNIU) LEGARIS	N.VIVES@ RAVENTOSCODORNIU. COM	CODORNIU UK	92	An impressive cuvée of high-altitude Tinto Fino grapes from Moradillo de Roa, Peñafiel and Pesquera de Duero. This is inky and profound, with some tobacco leaf top notes and the chalky freshness that's a feature of many páramo reds.
PANDRA VERDEJO 2020 RUEDA	BODEGAS PANDORA	MANAGER@ BODEGASPANDORA. COM	WANDERLUST WINES	92	Rich, textured, concentrated Verdejo with plenty of weight and personality. Pear and lime flavours combine appealingly on the palate.
ARZUAGA CRIANZA 2018 RIBERA DEL DUERO	BODEGAS ARZUAGA NAVARRO	BODEG@ ARZUAGANAVARRO. COM	C&D WINES LTD	91	An appealingly traditional style that's made to age: spicy and balsamic with fine oak, good structure and notes of tobacco leaf and plum.

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ORO DE CASTILLA VERDEJO 2020 RUEDA	BODEGA HERMANOS DEL VILLAR	PABLO@ORODE CASTILLA.COM	FLORA FINE WINES	91	Attractive, wet stone style with grapefruit pith and apple flavours and a hint of peachy sweetness.
FARIÑA LAGRIMA 2018 TORO	BODEGAS FARIÑA	LCOLSON@BODEGA FARINA.COM	C&D WINES	90	A lighter, more approachable style of Toro with some vanilla oak sweetness, plum and bramble fruit and smooth tannins.
EL QUINTO PARAJE 2019 VINO DE LA TIERRA DE CASTILLA Y LEÓN	EULOGIO & JAVIER WINES	JAVIER@EULOGIOY JAVIERWINES.COM	OAKLEY AGENCY	90	Lightly wooded with some leesy texture and pear and stone fruit flavours.
3 ASES JOVEN 2020 RIBERA DEL DUERO	3 ASES BODEGAS Y VIÑEDOS	VENTAS@3ASES VINO.COM	ALEJANDRO MARZANA	89	Pleasant, juicy and refreshing. A Ribera take on Beaujolais, with crunchy raspberry fruit.
VALLEOSCURO ROSE TEMPRANILLO 2020 VALLES DE BENAVENTE	BODEGAS OTERO	IRINA@CELLARMASTERS.ES	FLORA FINE WINES	89	Pale, tangy, elegant style of rosé with subtle rose hip and tangerine flavours. A lovely summer aperitif.
DIEZ SIGLOS ORGANIC RUEDA	DIEZ SIGLOS DE VERDEJO	EXPORT@DIEZSIGLOS.ES	BOUTINOT LTD	89	Grapefruity, tangy and stony. Bright and refreshing.

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MONASTERIO DE PALAZUELOS VERDEJO 2020 RUEDA	HIJOS DE ALBERTO GUTIERREZ	EXPORT@DEALBERTO.COM	A&A WINES	89	Pleasant, peachy and well made with nectarine and apricot fruit and supporting acidity.
MAZAS GARNACHA 2020 TORO	MAZAS COOPERATIVA	BODEGAS@MAZAS.EU	ULTRACOMIDA	89	Smooth, perfumed, easy-going Garnacha with the emphasis on summer berry fruit.
VINA LISJONA 2020 RUEDA	HIJOS DE ALBERTO GUTIERREZ	EXPORT@DEALBERTO.COM	A&A WINES	88	Wet stones, citrus and peaches. Slightly sweet.
PIEDRA NATURAL 2020 TORO	BODEGAS PIEDRA	EXPORT@BODEGASPIEDRA.COM	MILESTONE WINES	87	Lightly wooded, juicy Toro with appealing blackberry fruit sweetness and a patina of oak spices.
GRAVEDAD 2017 TORO	ROJO EXPORTA	ROJO@ROJOEXPORTA.COM	BELLISSIMO VINO EDINBURGH	87	Inky, oaky and chewy with dark fig and chocolate flavours and some supporting acidity.
PINOT NOIR 2020 VINO DE LA TIERRA DE CASTILLA Y LEÓN	ALTA PAVINA	BODEGAS@ALTAPAVINA.COM	MORENO WINES	86	Drinkable, if slightly jammy Pinot Noir. Red berries and a touch of oak.