

SPECTATOR SELECTIONS: Smart Buys

90 **Bodegas LAN Rioja Reserva 2004 \$17** A silky texture carries expressive flavors of black plum, violet, licorice and smoke in this focused, balanced red. Has good intensity yet remains vibrant and accessible. Drink now through 2012. 50,000 cases made.—T.M.

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THE SAVVY SHOPPER

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BODEGAS LAN Rioja Reserva 2004 (90, \$17) A fruity Spanish red, this showcases black plum, violet, licorice and smoke flavors that are expressive and matched to a silky texture.



LAN Reserva 2004

Origin: Rioja D.O.Ca.

Blending: 80% Tempranillo, 10% Mazuelo, 10% Garnacha

Vinification: Fermented in temperature controlled stainless steel tanks, temperature of the fermentation 30-32°C. 3 weeks maceration with constant remontages in order to develop fruit and colour.

Ageing: Aged for 12 months in new American oak, and 24 months in bottle in the winery. The vintage The 2004 vintage was qualified as Excellent by the Control Board of Rioja

Tasting notes: Red shiny cherry colour. Fruit and elegant wood notes. Velvety in the mouth with a lingering finish.

Serving Suggestions: To be matched with game, red meat and cheeses.

Serve between 17° and 19 °C.