

# GRAN FAMILIA

Varietals: 90% Tempranillo, 10% Graciano  
D.O.: Rioja  
Winemaker: Alfredo Gonzalez  
Winery: Castillo de Fuenmayor



## TASTING NOTES

Color: Bright cherry red with garnet tints  
Nose: Ripe fruit with added complexity of sweet herbs and spicy notes  
Palate: A savory wine with chunky, spicy fruit and good acidity and a delicate touch of fine vanilla from the oak aging.  
Finish: Long and smooth  
Food Match: Roast meats, especially lamb

## VITICULTURE / VINIFICATION

The winery is located near Briones at the heart of Rioja Alta. The vines, with an average age of 25 years, are grown in top class Rioja Alta vineyards with soils composed of clay and limestone. The grapes were picked between mid-September and end-October, and the juice is fermented in stainless steel tanks with the temperature controlled at 26° C. When fermentation was done, the wine was raked into barrels for 8 months. Selection of barrels is of particular importance in Rioja where oak is such a critical element in winemaking. 50% of the wine went into American oak barrels and 50% into French oak barrels. This results in the perfect balance of fruit and oak.

## TECHNICAL DATA

ALC: 12.5%      Total acidity: 5 g/l  
RS: < 2 g/l      pH: 3.6

## PACKAGING INFORMATION

12 x 750 ml per case  
55 cases per pallet (5 layers of 11)  
Bottle UPC: 858828001071 / Case UPC: 5060108900409

## PRESS

Silver Medal - International Wine Challenge 2014

### WINEMAKER INFO

Alfredo Gonzalez is a technical agricultural engineer and has a Masters Degree in Winemaking and Oenology from the University of La Rioja. His training as a winemaker and experience in several wineries gives him a broad knowledge of different winemaking techniques. With a passion for winemaking, he is committed to improving the Gran Familia brand. His knowledge of the different vineyards and viticultural techniques makes the winemaking process easier and gives him a greater control over the final product.

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