



# 2020 MAS LA PLANA DO PENEDÈS

### WINERY

Familia Torres founded its first winery in Villafranca del Penedès in 1870, over 150 years ago, but its roots in the winegrowing traditions of Spain date back to the 16th century. Five generations have carried the family business forward, passing on their passion for wine culture from parents to children — a passion steeped in respect for land and tradition, and a firm belief in innovation. Today the family focuses on wines from unique vineyards and historical estates, as well as the recovery of ancestral varieties.

#### WINE

The most pristine bunches of old-vine Cabernet Sauvignon are hand selected to craft Torres' most prestigious red wine. A 1979 blind tasting in Paris, the Gault-Millau Wine Olympics, placed First Growth Bordeaux wines including Châteaux Latour against newcomers including Torres. The wine from Mas la Plana vineyard triumphed over some of the world's most iconic, placing first, which put Penedès on the map as benchmark quality for the best red wines in the world.

#### VINEYARDS

Located in Penedès' Turons de Vilafranca subzone, the 29-hectare Mas La Plana vineyard lies between the Foix River and Riera de Llitrà. Spread across ten plots, its loamy lower soils and marlstone upper soils support old Cabernet vines planted in the 1970s. Thanks to

regenerative viticulture, the estate now thrives as a vibrant natural ecosystem.

## **VINTAGE NOTES**

2020 saw above-average rainfall and consistently high temperatures, with an early start to the growing season due to a warm February. While rain was plentiful in spring, a summer drought impacted fruit maturation and led to lower yields.

#### WINEMAKING

Fermentation started in temperature controlled stainless steel tanks with 15-25 days of maceration. Aged for 18 months in French oak from a selection of coopers (Tronçais, Nevers) with 67% new oak.

#### TASTING NOTES

Mas la Plana is graceful and balanced despite its firm and dominant tannin profile. Bright crunchy acidity ensures a wine that will develop in the cellar for years to come. This polished red displays hints of its Mediterranean heritage with herbaceous bramble while holding true to brooding currant and loamy earth, reminiscent of old-world Cabernet Sauvignon.

## VINEYARD

Region: Catalunya

Appellation: Penedès

Soil: Gravel, sand, clay
Age/Exposure: Planted in 1964-1979;

Southeast exposure

Vineyard Size: 29 ha (72 acres)

Elevation: 225m

Vine Density: Approximately 5,500 kg/ha

**Eco-Practices**: Sustainable, Solar, Regenerative Agriculture

## WINEMAKING

Varietals: Cabernet Sauvignon

Aging: Aged for 18 months in French oak barriques and

foudres (67% new).

## TECHNICAL DETAIL

Alcohol: 14.5% Residual Sugar: 0.5 g/L Total Acidity: 5.7 g/L pH: 3.53

