

	Retail	Savings
\$20.00	\$40.00	50%

2016 Bodegas Portia product-timed-pdf - La Encina Ribera del Duero Prima - Gorgeous, Charming 97pt Tempranillo, 50% Off!!

Why We're Drinking It

Oooweee, are we excited for this wine this morning! 97pt Ribera del Duero, 50% off, a “jump up and down” in excitement kind of wine, we can hardly contain ourselves! How can we offer this to you for only \$20?! It’s bonkers we tell you, bonkers!!!

Bodegas Portia is part of the Grupo Faustino who have 150 years of winemaking experience and are on their 4th generation of family leadership. Portia is their 7th winery and was designed by renowned British architect, Norman Foster, tasked with creating a functional yet modern design with a focus on artistic detail...and well, if you haven't seen the place, it's pretty spectacular. Drool, ogle and plan your future trip to Spain [here](#).

This stunning, still can't believe we're selling it for \$20, Tempranillo earned 97pts from the Decanter Asia Wine Awards and dual 94pt scores from Suckling and Decanter Magazine. Check out some of the praise:

"An outstanding Ribera with prodigious length and persistence." – 97pts, Decanter Asia Wine Awards

"This delivers all the power of Ribera with some refinement and elegance." – 94pts, James Suckling

"This is a modern Ribera style with a good savoury finish that demands another glass." – 94pts, Decanter Magazine

Absolutely gorgeous on the nose, you can smell this for hours on end. Vibrant cherries, black plums and slightly stewed blackberries with sun-kissed violets, sweet spice and vanilla. The palate is all polished, ripe tannins with an impeccable structure. Drink it now, save a few bottles to enjoy in a few years, it'll just continue to get better!

97pt wine for \$20!! This doesn't come around often and we highly recommend hustling to the cart to swoop up your 6-pack for \$120.

Tasting Notes

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VARIETAL
Tempranillo
APPELLATION
Ribera del Duero
ALCOHOL
14.00
SIZE
750ml
BLEND
Tempranillo

The Story to Know

Bodegas Portia is Grupo Faustino's most recent winery project and is the 7th winery in the group. Located in the heart of Ribera del Duero, the Portia winery is a display of modern design, winemaking function and artistic detail. The brand

offers very small production wines - intense, energetic & balanced.

Designed by renowned British architect, Sir Norman Foster, the \$47.7 million winery project is the perfect link between winemaking, the environment and haute architecture. Built in concrete, wood, steel and glass, its 12,500 square metres are spread over three floors in the form of a star whose three points correspond to the different areas of vinification, fermentation and ageing. Complete with an awarded restaurant, Triennia Gastrobar.

The Martinez family purchased nearly 400 acres in the 1990s, focused on the high-quality possibilities in the Roa, Gumiel de Izán, Villanueva, and Gumiel de Mercado regions, known collectively as 'the golden triangle' of Ribera del Duero. These very special high-elevation vineyard plots vary from 700-850 meters above sea level. Eastern and southern facing vineyards are on clay soils and are planted chiefly Tempranillo, with an average density of 1,200 vines per acre. The continental climate experiences hot temperatures during the dry summer and freezing, bitter winters. This extreme variation allows the grapes to develop intense aromatics.

The barrel cellar holds 2,000 barriques (90% French, 10% American) and 500,000+ bottles in the aging room. The Portia wines reflect the fruit characteristics – balanced, bright and powerful - across the range, from Roble to Crianza, Prima, Triennia and up to the pinnacle of boutique craft, Summa.

Ratings

97pts, Decanter Asia Wine Awards

Gorgeous spicy black fruit and prune nose. Round, ripe tannins and precise blackberry fruit on the palate with great character and hints of spice box and cedarwood. An outstanding Ribera with prodigious length and persistence.

94pts, James Suckling

This delivers all the power of Ribera with some refinement and elegance. Dark plums, blackberries and violets and gently toasty oak that is well integrated and adds clove and chocolate. The palate has effortless depth, the tannins wrapped neatly around dark plums. Drink or hold.

94pts, Decanter

There's lots to admire here - fleshy, sweet, juicy red and black berry fruits, with touch of briar alongside fennel seed and tobacco. It has some power and heft, balanced and underscored by ripe tannin and moreish acidity. This is a modern Ribera style with a good savoury finish that demands another glass. Drinking Window 2019 - 2028
