



# CELLER CAL PLA

## Mas d'En Compte

Joan Sangenís is descended from eight generations of unruly locals who farmed various crops in Porrera. His family first started making wine in 1814 and until 1996 they sold their wines in bulk to the residents of the village. Joan's parents Jaume and Mercé, who both still tend to the family's vines, purchased Mas d'En Compte in 1988 greatly expanding the scope of the family business. Along with this purchase came an ancient, ruined house in the village which they renovated with the intention of estate bottling their wines. With much of the newly purchased vineyards being in disrepair, they also undertook resuscitating the old vines and planting new ones and when their son, Joan, finished his studies in enology in 1996, Celler Cal Pla was born.

### ORIGIN

*Spain*

### APPELLATION

*Priorat*

### SOIL

*Schist*

### AGE OF VINES

*15-60*

### ELEVATION

*450 meters*

### VARIETIES

*Garnatxa Negra, Carinyena, Cabernet Sauvignon*

### FARMING

*Practicing organic*

### FERMENTATION

*Hand harvested, partially destemmed, natural yeast fermentation in concrete*

### AGING

*14 months in 30% new French oak barrels and 70% in foudres*

The Sangenís family farms 20 hectares of vines located around Porrera. Their oldest vines of Garnatxa Negra and Carinyena are located in the famed Mas d'En Caçador vineyard – arguably the Grand Cru of the village. The remaining vines vary in age from 15 to 80 years old. Farming is done organically, which may sound easy in such a warm and dry climate until you see the incline of some of their sites – here any kind of farming is arduous. In addition to Garnatxa Negra and Carinyena the estate grows Cabernet Sauvignon, Garnatxa Blanca, Xarel.lo, Picapoll Blanca, Macabeau and Moscatell.

Mas d'En Compte is one of the sites the Sangenis family farms in the village of Porrera. Sixty year old Carinyena and 15 year old Garnatxa and Cabernet Sauvignon are planted on deep, rocky, schist soils - both costers and terraces.

### ACCOLADES

92 – 2016 Mas d'en Compte – Jeb Dunnuck

91 – 2015 Mas d'en Compte – Wine Advocate



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SELECTIONS