

# Frontonio 2021 Telescopico Garnacha (Valdejalón)

WineWise Code	SBF-TEG21
Country	Spain
Region	Valdejalón
Color/Style	Red
Farming Practices	Organic
Varieties	Garnacha, Garnacha Peluda & Mazuela
ABV	13.5
Closure	Natural Cork
Case Size	12x750
Pricing	Discountable
Destemming	Whole cluster
Fermentation Vessel	Concrete
Aging Method	100% Used Barrique, oval foudres of big capacity and 500L. barrels.
Aging Duration (months)	12-14
Filtered	Yes
Fining Agents	Bentonite
Yeast	Cultured
Malolactic	Yes
Added Sulfur	Yes
Vineyard Name	Morata and Alpartir
Soil Type	Alluvial, Slate, Sedimentary
Elevation (meters)	480-600
Vine Age	50+ years
Yields (hl/ha)	15
Picking	Hand-harvested
Annual Production	19283 bottles

## Notes from the producer:

94+ Parker Points.

### TASTING NOTES:

Pale cadmium red colour. Autumn Bliss raspberry, violets, Sechuan pink pepper. Fresh, frugal and citric. Firm but silky tannins. Japanese green tea after-taste.

Frontonio is named after Saint Frontonio, the patrón saint of Épila, a town in Valdejalón, North-East Spain, where it is produced. Legend has it that Saint Frontonio was beheaded by the Romans. His body was buried in a cemetery and his head was thrown into the River Ebro near Zaragoza. Miraculously, his head was later found going upstream along the banks of the River Jalón in Épila. Likewise, this limited production of “micro” wine is the result of rowing against the stream. It is also something of a miracle. It comes from a humble garage where it is made by Fernando Mora MW, Francisco Latasa and Mario López without any fuss.



## WineWise Notes:

Equally pure, but a step up in richness, sweetness, and high-toned expression of the grape, this is balanced, focused and long. It exemplifies the “cool” aspect that separates Frontonio from other practitioners of the art of producing well-balanced wines in warm climates. Strawberries galore sprinkled with black pepper. The 2020 vintage is marked by a seasoning of Mazuelo – a combination increasingly favoured by Fernando to increase intrigue and refinement.

