

## 2001 Viña Ardanza

La Rioja Alta S.A., Rioja Wine Region, Spain

### Product details

<b>Vintage:</b>	2001	<b>Drinking:</b>	Now 2031
<b>Producer:</b>	La Rioja Alta S.A.	<b>Alcohol:</b>	
<b>Region:</b>	Rioja Wine Region	<b>Variety:</b>	
<b>Country:</b>	Spain		

### Tasting notes

This wine has developed into an incredibly charming and mature Rioja. From a once in a lifetime vintage, the wine contains a complex and vibrant fruit profile characterised by red cherries and strawberries that move onto some hints of darker brambly fruit. The vibrancy of fruit signals plenty of life left in the bottle. Mature notes of liquorice, balsamic and leather complement the vanilla notes and slight hint of caramel provided by the American oak. This spiced and aged profile matches the vibrant fruit to create an incredibly complex Rioja. The finish is very long and balanced by rich acidity and a fresh mint upturn. Drink now-2025.

### Reviews

Incredible aromas of flowers such as violets and orange blossom with dark fruits and sweet fruit tea. Full body, very dense and powerful yet polished and refined. Dried fruits with praline and pie crust. Unique wine that everyone should try once, if possible. Very balanced. Drink now.

**97 Points, James Suckling**

### About the producer

Formed by five families in the late 19th century, the La Rioja Alta S.A. winery is one of the most iconic names in Fine Wine, and a benchmark for the traditional style of Rioja. Their Tempranillo-led reds are aged for remarkably long periods in barrels from the producer's cooperage, and they are one of the last remaining producers to rack their wines by hand and by candlelight - which they do every six months. While they always upheld standards and tradition, La Rioja Alta S.A. never stopped experimenting and pushing for better quality, offering some of the purest, more precise expressions of Tempranillo in the world.

