

## 2005 Viña Ardanza

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

### Product details

<b>Vintage:</b>	2005	<b>Drinking:</b>	2015 2035
<b>Producer:</b>	La Rioja Alta S.A.	<b>Alcohol:</b>	13.70%
<b>Region:</b>	Rioja Wine Region	<b>Variety:</b>	
<b>Country:</b>	Spain		

### Tasting notes

Vina Ardanza's 2005 Reserva is a complex wine that is already showing so many of the wonderful qualities we have come to expect from this classic Rioja. Masses of dark fruit, with measures of dried berries and cherries wrapped up in a silky smooth coat of herbs, spice, smoke and leather. The palate lives up to the hype from the nose and its medium body is held together with fine ripe tannins. This is a truly fantastic drinking experience that is excellent now and has plenty of stuffing to last 5-10 years, if you let it! Yet another superb vintage for this magnificent Rioja.

### 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.

