



#### Technical notes

# Elias Mora Reserva 2009

Name of the wine: ELIAS MORA RESERVA

**Appellation: TORO** 

Vintage: 2009

Variety: Tinta de Toro 100%

Ageing: Months in new French oak barrels 225 l

Weather factors: Very dry vintage with a warm summer and light rain in the spring. The vineyards struggled untill the arrival of rain in September which helped the bunches to ripen.

Harvest: A team of 20 harvesters, who return year after year, pick the grapes by hand, carefully placing them in 20 KG crates from vines which have been judged to be at optimum readiness on that particular day. A sorting table completes the bunch selection process, enabling only perfectly, healthy, ripe grapes to go into the de-stemmer. The harvest began on 21st of September.

Vineyard: Elías Mora Reserva is produced in only the best vintages. Unique vineyard plot of 70 years old on a hill very close to the Wolf's Path vineyard. Average yield 2500 kG/Ha. Very poor clay and sand soil with large pebbles on the surface.

**Vinification:** Cold maceration of 3 days with selected yeasts. Malolactic fermentation in inox and ageing in French oak barrels of 225 L during 24 months. Fining with egg whites.

## **Analysis:**

- -ABV: 14,50 %
- -ph: 3,69
- -Total acidity: 5,4 gr/l -Sugar reducers: 1,96 gr/l

**Annual production: 1.500 bottles** 

## **TASTING NOTES**

Elías Mora Reserva 2004 is a result of 24 moths aging in French barrels. Partly from a selection of the best of Gran Elias Mora, but looking for a more smooth and elegant end product but with long ageing in barrels and in bottles.

>GRAPE: Tinta de Toro

>BARRELS: French, 24 months

>COLOUR: Purple-black colour with glass viscosity.

>NOSE: With very subtle aromas of blueberry, expresso, lavender and ripe blackberry.

>PALATE: Well - balanced, velvety and vivid.

>CONSUMPTION: More than 8 years.

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#### **OVERVIEW:**

«Made from a selection of the best barrels from the estate's oldest vines, which are chosen for their potential ageworthiness; raised in new French oak for two years): Inky ruby. Powerful aromas of blueberry, cassis, espresso, vanilla and woodsmoke. Lush and expansive on the palate, boasting serious depth to its dark berry, floral pastille and bitter chocolate flavors. Finishes extremely long and sweet, with slow-building, harmonious tannins and outstanding persistence. I'd love to serve this one to some Napa cult wine enthusiasts. The yield for the vines that produced this wine were reportedly only 15 hectoliters per hectare in this vintage.»

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