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PLONK OF THE MONTH New Wave Spanish Reds

“...Stylish, value-oriented wines. These don’t deliver the fruit kick you expect from commercial Australian labels at a similar price. On the contrary, this new wave Spanish plonk demonstrates that less can be more. The best among them are well tuned and classically proportioned with a pleasing balance of fruit, earth, acidity and texture...”

2004 Crucillon Campo de Borja

Lightish but lively, with bright red-fruit aromas and flavors that, with a little time, just bloom in the glass.”



Bodegas Aragonesas is the largest wine estate in the region of Campo de Borja, just southeast of Rioja and Navarra. Grapes have been grown here for over 800 years. The estate is favored with an unusually dry climate that guarantees a consistently excellent harvest. The vineyards are rocky, on a high elevation ideally exposed to the sun, resulting in perfect ripeness and flavor. The estate uses primarily old vine Grenache - some of their Grenache vineyards were planted over 100 years ago, the average age is over 40 years. This wine is 100% Grenache.