



La Vinicola del Priorat is a cooperative winery situated in the heart of the Priorat DOC founded in 1991. Gratallops is the best known wine-making village in region and it along with, el Lloar, la Vilella and la Viella Baixa are home to the 125 vineyards owners who form the co-op. These farmers cultivate a total of 500 acres spread across 310 distinctive plots spread amongst the steep slopes surrounding these villages. Each lends a special quality to La Vinicola's various wines.

Because the majority of vines are around 60 years of age, yields are very low. While this is a key contributing factor for concentration and power, it is the famously unusual "llicorella" soils that give these wines their distinctive character and finesse. This dark brown, rather shiny slate quartzite imparts an overt minerality that adds freshness and lift to the wine's powerful structure. These soils are also uniquely cool and damp for being situated in an exceedingly dry region that receives less than 16 inches of annual rainfall. Anywhere else, irrigation would be necessary for the survival of the vines. But in Priorat, a series of faults in the llicorella allow the vines to tunnel through and find cool, fresh water to sustain them.

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