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# FAMILIA TORRES PROPERTIES

## ALTOS IBÉRICOS CRIANZA 2016

### ABOUT THE FAMILY

Familia Torres founded its first winery in Vilafranca del Penedès in 1870, 150 years ago, but its roots in the winegrowing traditions of Spain date back to the 16th century. Five generations have carried the family business forward, passing on their passion for wine culture from parents to children – a passion steeped in respect for land and tradition, and a firm belief in innovation. Today the family focuses on wines from unique vineyards and historical estates, as well as the recovery of ancestral varieties. Familia Torres has a historical connection to Penedès, Conca de Barberà, Priorat, and Costers del Segre, but now its presence extends to vineyards and wineries in preeminent Spanish wine regions – Rioja, Ribera del Duero, Rueda, and Rías Baixas.

### ABOUT THE WINE

2005 marked the first expansion for Familia Torres into the historic DOCa Rioja region. The winery, La Carbonera, sits in the heart of Rioja Alavesa in the central municipality of Labastida. Altos Ibéricos [AL-tos ee-BEH-ree-kohss] Crianza represents a New Take on La Rioja. This light, elegant and modern interpretation presents the essence of Tempranillo in all its beauty. The Crianza offers a bright and contemporary red with smooth juicy tannin, elevated aromas and full-bodied fruit. Light aging in French and American oak creates a well-rounded palate and savory undertones of clove, green peppercorn and toasted bread.

### KEY SELLING POINTS

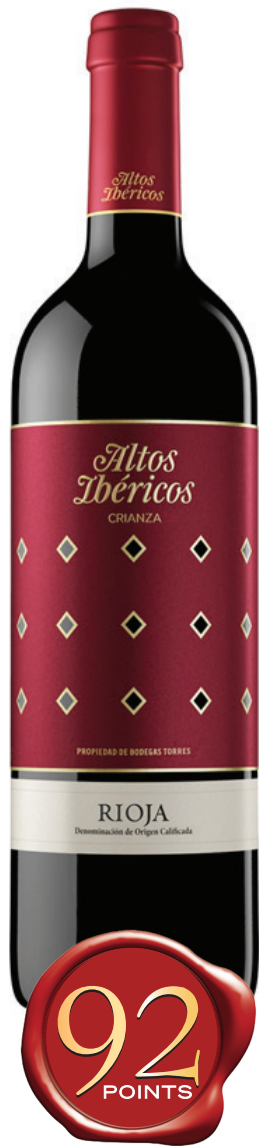
- Sourced predominantly from Rioja Alavesa, the cooler of Rioja's subregions, this 100% Tempranillo displays a naturally higher toned acid without the blending of other varieties
- The vines are 60-80 years old on average and some of the oldest in Rioja, providing low yields of concentrated fruit
- Single lots are vinified and aged separately with a hand-selection of the finest barrels used in the final blend
- The combination of 40% French oak and 60% American oak provides multilayered complexity while still ensuring the truest fruit expression of Tempranillo

### TECHNICAL DETAILS

**Appellation:** DOCa Rioja | **Varietal Composition:** 100% Tempranillo

**Aging:** 12 months in French and American oak (7% new), followed by 12 months bottle aging

**Alcohol:** 14% | **Total Acidity:** 5.1 g/L



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*"Purity of fruit in this red, from plums and red berries to ripe strawberries. It's full-bodied with firm, tight tannins that are polished and soft. Lovely tension and focus. Extremely well done. Try after 2020, but hard to resist now."*

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