

Artesans del temps

# **GRAMONA IMPERIAL** Brut 2018

#### VINTAGE

Throughout the year, rain played a key role in the weather, especially during the spring. The harvest started slightly later than in 2017 because, unlike the three previous harvests and thanks to the rainfall, the average temperature remained moderate. This fact also led to a very interesting level of acidity in the grapes for sparkling wines destined for ageing.

Blending of old vines certified in biodynamic viticulture

## WINEMAKING

The four varieties are vinified separately to ensure that each one contributes to its full potential. Gramona Imperial, which was started by the third generation of the family, is the expression of the art of blending. In addition to the personality of each grape variety, the characteristics of the different plots are added. Obtaining the perfect blend year after year is an exercise in mastery that draws directly from the tradition of craftsmanship. When each bottle is disgorged, the dosage is carried out to provide the elegant characteristic notes that have made it a classic.

### TASTING NOTES

Pale golden in colour, the aromas are dominated by ripe white fruit and a floral air, as well as citrus tones and hints of pastries and butter. On the palate, the creaminess accompanies a very fine bubbles and a particularly well-balanced freshness.



# Imperial is the result of a blend of grapes from several selected estates that belong to the family and *Aliances per la Terra*

Aliances per la Terra is a pro-biodynamic association in the Penedés region led by Gramona.

#### Ageing

More than 49 months

#### Varieties

56% Xarel·lo 30% Macabeo 10% Parellada 4% Chardonnay

# Alcohol content

12%

#### Brut

Available in magnum (1.5 l) and jeroboam format (3 l)



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# A SELECTION OF CHOSEN PLOTS FOR A UNIQUE WINE

The winegrowers of the Aliances per la Terra association work collectively from the desire to enliven the soils to achieve a more expressive, more concentrated and more complex grape. The association, promoted in 2015 by Gramona, shares the commitment to persevere in biodynamic practices to integrate the vineyard into a landscape where energy flows, vital forces are balanced and the quality of the grapes maintains excellence year after year. The art of blending consists in making the attributes of each variety combine with each other and create the best possible version of the whole. The identity of each of the carefully selected vineyards and the balance of their blending are what make Gramona Imperial unique and singular.

## **TERROIR VITICULTURE**

In order to keep our terroir alive, we implement vineyard-friendly viticultural practices. We preserve and protect the unique character and natural characteristics of our soils, and we recognise their importance in the quality and uniqueness of our sparkling wines. Artisan work in the vineyards involves several disciplines, such as soil classification, respect pruning, goblet planting, American rootstock grafting in the vineyard and green pruning, among others. Each of these techniques used in the vineyard requires constant observation and dedication.

2018 is the second Demeter-certified vintage of all the plots that produce the four grape varieties for the blending of this historic sparkling wine



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AWARDS



Champagne and Sparkling Wine World Championships 2023 Best Biodynamic Sparkling Wine in the World, Best Sparkling Wine in Spain and Best Corpinnat. Gold Medal 2022 and 2020 "Best in Show".



Decanter 2023 Silver Medal and 2022 Gold Medal, being the highest rated sparkling wine in the country.



Guia de Vins de Catalunya 2022 With 9.51 points out of 100, it tops the list of wines tasted.



Wine Advocate 2024 and 2022 Imperial scored 93 and 91 out of 100 points respectively.

VINARI

Premis Vinari 2022 Gold Medal in the category White Sparkling Wines of 2016 and previous vintages.

Gourmet's elPeriódico	<b>El Periódico - Gourmet's</b> 2022 It tops the ranking of the best sparkling wines under €20.
Guía <b>Peñín</b>	Guía Peñín 201893 points out of 100.
AEPEV Annual - Sarring a Products y Induces of the	<b>AEPEV</b> - Asociación Española de Periodistas y Escritores de Vino 2016 y 2014 Best Sparkling Wine.
WINE#LIFE	Wine Life «The Best Sparkling Wine you can buy in Holland». Niek Beut.
	Verema.com 2014 Sparkling Wine of the Year.

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