



**Cellers Ripoll Sans**

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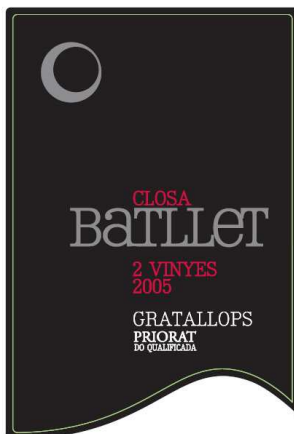
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Foundation year	2000	Vineyard	10 ha.
Annual production	11.000 l.	Ageing barriques	50

Cellers Ripoll Sans was created in the year 2000 by restoring the old family winery situated in Gratallops. Preserving the typical structure of wine-presses and vaults, it has been conditioned for processing by modern techniques, always in small volumes and in a highly manual way. Its production is based on grape selections from its own best vineyards, some as much as 90 years old, cultivated on hillsides with slate soil. The grape varieties grown here are the local cariñena and garnacha, with others such as cabernet sauvignon, merlot and syrah in the young plantations. The wines made in this way have their own unique personality stemming from the endeavor to convey all the special features of the terrain.

## Closa Batllet "2 Vinyes" 2005



Fermented in oak, aged for 15 months in french Allier; 6 months in bottle.  
100% new barriques.

100% cariñena.

Production 1.400 bottles. 15 % vol.

Gratallops property: la Coma. North-West faced. 90 years old.

Torroja del Priorat property: Tros d'en Coma. South-West faced. 60 years old.

Fermentation in opened barrels with 4 pigiage per day, long macerations and high control. Aged in a blend of barriques from the bests tonelleries with battonage.

Pure cariñena from 2 diferents small vineyards, with 2 diferent microclimate and the 2 best terroires. Working the vines with the maximum care and respect for the nature. The essence from the family, the best way to transmit our conception of the Priorat.



CELLERS MARC RIPOLL SANS 2005 2 VINYES

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The 2 Vinyes is 100% Cariñena sourced from two vineyards with 90-year-old vines. Purple-colored, it offers up notes of cedar, slate, smoke, spice cabinet, floral notes, and blueberry. Intense, sweet, and structured, it will evolve for 3-4 years and drink well through 2025. No known American importer.

**Tasted by Khamen on 10/2/2010 & rated 94 points:**

100% carignan from just 2 rows of vines over 60 yeas of age. Big and alcoholic (indicated 15%) but carries its weight extremely well.

Fantastic melange of old vine dark fruit and strong minerality.

Massively characterful and an absolute pleasure to drink now, although this has many years left in it. Subtle (French?) oak presence. A real poster boy for "terroir" this wine was made in the vineyard not the winery. You almost get the sense that this wine has been filtered through the ground on which the vines sit. Not as polished and toned as many of the big boy Priorats this is much the better for it. A truly great wine with bags of potential, just a shame they only made 150 btl. See if you can find one. 94+ (268 views)