



## Bodegas Maset Monastrell DO CATALONIA (SPAIN)

Bodegas Maset has produced quality wines & cava for over two centuries in the DO Penedès region situated between Barcelona & Tarragona. Maset makes its wine in the traditional way; with great care, following a rigorous quality assurance process and leaving each wine to mature in the tranquility of the cellar.

**Website:** [www.maset.com](http://www.maset.com)

**Grapes:** Monastrell

**Viniculture:** 10 months in barrel

**Alcohol:** 13% vol.

### Tasting Notes

**Appearance:** Inky plum

**Nose:** Rich dark cherries

**Palate:** Black raspberries and black berries, balsamic and toasted oak

**Suggested Pairings:** Venison, roasted meats, squash, polenta and spicy dishes.

## Catalonia Wine Region of Spain

**Climate:** The Mediterranean climate is mild in the winter and hot in the summer, without being extreme.

Catalonia is the north-easternmost region of Spain, and is home to the city of Barcelona (the region's capitol). It borders both France (Roussillon used to be a part of Spain), as well as the Mediterranean Sea. This region is also important region in cork production.

This region of Spain is best known for its Cava (sparkling wines), which were invented in the early 1870s using the Champagne method. The grapes most widely planted for Cava are: Chardonnay, Macabeo, Parellada, and Xarello. The red grapes planted in the area are Cariñena, Tempranillo (also known as Ull de Llebre in Catalan), Cabernet Sauvignon, Garnacha, and Monastrell.

**Monastrell DO** - Mourvèdre (also known as Mataró or Monastrell) is a red wine grape variety that is grown in many regions around the world including the Rhône and Provence regions of France, the Valencia and Jumilla denominación de orogens of Spain, California and Washington State and the Australian regions of South Australia and New South Wales.