

COSTERS DEL PRIORAT CLOS ALZINA

100% Samsó (Carignan.) The name Alzina is a reference to the many acorn trees which are planted around the vineyard to lure wild pigs, thus leaving the precious grapes in the vineyard. A limited, *Vi de Paratge* bottling, built to improve with additional time in bottle. Practicing Organic.

Clos Alzina is a true grand cru parcel planted in 1939 at high-elevation. Composed of steep, terraced vineyards at the top of the Mas Alsera slope, with decomposed yellow & red slate soil.

The wines of Costers del Priorat emphasize nuance & elegance over power, a philosophical departure from the strong, tannic wines that once defined Priorat. Founded by several partners bound to the land, starting with a small parcel planted in 1934 in Bellmunt, Priorat now owns 62 acres in four villages. Winemaker Jose Mas Barberà, the leading force of the winery, sees a new vision for the region focused on village-specific wines from old vines, transmitted with clarity & grace in an incredibly delicately packaged structure. Jose achieves this elegance by allowing the wines to guide their evolution without ever forcing their trajectory.

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Tasting Note:

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