

LOPEZ DE HEREDIA

2002 TONDONIA RESERVA

"A visit to the venerable Bodega Lopez de Heredia, located in the Rioja Alta capital of Haro, is akin to entering a time machine taking you back 100 years."

-- Robert Parker's Wine Advocate

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What are the critics saying?

"The 2002 Vina Tondonia Reserva is a blend of 75% Tempranillo, 15% Garnacha and 10% between Mazuelo and Graciano sourced from their Tondonia vineyard located in a large meander of the Ebro River on the outskirts of Haro. It is aged for six years in used barrels, raked twice per year during its upbringing and fined with egg whites before being bottled unfiltered. It has a slightly reduced nose that benefits from air contact, with shy aromas of cherries in liqueur, tea leaves, fine leather, game, blood, spice box and cigar ash, showing some evolution. The light to medium-bodied palate is balanced, with high acidity, but perhaps a little fragile, showing the difficulties of the vintage, as 2002 was a very difficult year in Rioja. 250,000 bottles were produced. Drink 2014-2019"

91/100 Points - Robert M. Parker, Jr.

The Specs...

Varietal: 75% Tempranillo, 15% Garnacha w/ Mazuelo & Graciano

Vineyard Age: 100 years

Price/bottle: \$59.00

Price/case: \$354.00

Format: 6 x 750mL

Aging: 6 years in older oak barrels and another 6 years in bottle before release.

Food Pairings: Fine lean cuts of beef or game, full flavoured cheeses, rack of lamb or mushroom risotto.