MARQUÉS DE RISCAL RESERVA 2011
D.O. Ca. Rioja

VARIETY USED
Tempranillo 90%
Graciano 7%
Mazuelo 3%

ALC./VOL 14
Acidity 3.4

pH 3.61

CASK-AGEING
24 months.

FOOD MATCHES
This wine goes well with ham, mild cheeses, casseroles which are not highly spiced, bean and pulse dishes, poultry, red meat, grills and roasts.

BEST SERVED AT
16º to 18ºC

TASTING NOTES
Intense black-cherry colour with good depth of colour and hardly any signs of evolution. Very expressive aromas on the nose with notes of liquorice, cinnamon and black pepper, with just a subtle hint of the long cask-ageing, thanks to its great complexity and ripe, concentrated fruit. Fresh and easy to drink on the palate, good backbone and lovely, polished tannins. The long, persistent finish leaves gentle balsamic reminders of the finest quality.

FEATURES
Marqués de Riscal Reserva wines are basically made from grapes from tempranillo vines planted before de 70’s, grown in the best clay-limestone soils of the Rioja Alavesa. This variety withstands oak- and bottle ageing well thanks to its good balance of acidity and fine tannin. The Graciano and Mazuelo varieties, whose presence in the blend does not exceed 10%, provide crispness and a lively colour. Fermentation takes place at a controlled temperature of 26ºC and the maceration time is never more than 12 days. Riscal reservas spend around two years in American Oak Barrels, producing a wine which corresponds to the classic Rioja style: fresh, fine, elegant and very suitable for laying down for many years. Before release for sale it spends a minimum of one year rounding off in the bottle; time enough to show how much complexity tempranillo is able to achieve.

AWARDS
Marqués de Riscal Reserva 2011
Decanter Silver Medal
The Wine Lover Magazine Bronze Medal

Marqués de Riscal Reserva 2010
89 points
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Marqués de Riscal Reserva 2010
92 points
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92 points
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Marqués de Riscal Reserva 2012
93 points

Marqués de Riscal Reserva 2010
Gold Medal
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