

# Enrique Mendoza

## Pinot Noir Crianza

### The Producer

The Bodega was created in 1989, but work on the project started at the end of the 70s, when Enrique Mendoza started buying bottles and investing into other bodegas. He then started planting his first vines (only 100) out of which he made his first wine barrel for his own consumption. He then planted another 2000 vines of different varieties. Naturally, this amount of wine became too much for his own consumption but not enough to start a proper business. The logical progression was to plant yet more vines. To do so, the Mendoza family decided to move from Alfaz to Villena and to plant 120,000 vines of Cabernet sauvignon, Merlot, Pinot Noir, Shiraz and Chardonnay. As a consequence, Enrique Mendoza has vineyards in two parts of Alicante: Alfaz del Pi (5ha) where the wines are aged in barriques and where the two Moscatel varieties are grown (Moscatel de Alejandria and the French Moscatel de Frontignac) and Villena (80ha) where the Cabernet Sauvignon (50% of the plantings), Merlot, Shiraz, Pinot Noir, Chardonnay and Perellada are planted.

### General Information

Type of wine: Still red wine  
Alcohol Content: 13.8%  
Grape Variety: 100% Pinot Noir  
Aging: 14 months in French oak  
Origin: Spain—Alicante  
Vineyard size: 80ha  
Vines per ha: 3800  
Average yield: 6500kgs/ha  
Average age of the vines: 17 years old  
Suitable for vegetarians



### Tasting Note

A dark wine with orange edges.  
On the nose it is smoky with hints of strawberries.  
On the palate, it has good tannins and structure, plenty of rich red fruit and a persistent finish. This is a great wine.



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