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Els Amelers

Lafou is a Catalan term used to describe the ravine-like features in the landscape typical found in Terra Alta. The winery sits in an historic 18th century building in the middle of the picturesque village of Batea (100 km inland from Tarragona). The 60 hectares of vineyards wrap around the village and, rather like at Abadal in Pla de Bages which the Roqueta family also own, the emphasis here is on squeezing maximum expression out of the local grape. In this case that means Garnacha, both red and white, although the winery has also been instrumental in rediscovering local varieties like Morenillo.

DOP Terra Alta

Grape varieties: White Garnacha

Soil: Limestone, clay

Harvest: Manual

Winemaking: Grapes are chilled to 5°C at the winery before alcoholic fermentation and 6 months ageing on the lees in concrete, egg-shaped vats and stainless steel tanks. 10% of the wine is aged in 300 litre oak barrels.

ABV: 13 %

Total acidity: 5 g/l

Bottle type: Burgundy, 75cl

Closure: Natural cork

Tasting notes: Pale, luminous yellow. Jasmine, lemon peel and grapefruit notes on the nose, giving way to hints of riper fruit like apricots and green almonds. Lees contact gives delicate unctuousness. Long finish. Fresh, mineral and fragrant.

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