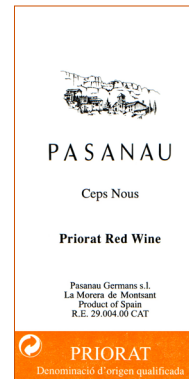




OUTSTANDING PRIORAT  
CELLER  
**PASANAU**  
LA MORENA DE MONTSANT  
PRIORAT • CATALONIA

Located in Priorat's highest municipality, the Pasanau vineyards literally skirt the sheer rock wall of Sierra de Montsant that forms Priorat's viticultural boundary. At over 2400' in elevation, Pasanau's "Finca La Planeta" parcel experiences Priorat's greatest daily temperature fluctuations, ensuring freshness in the concentrated, late-harvested grapes as well as a uniquely tight-knit character to the albeit typically-powerful Priorat style. Soils of llicorella (decomposed slate) covered with gravely scree, formidable elevations, and a long, arid growing season severely limit yields while concentrating mineral extract and complexity. Having carved the 3-acre La Planeta parcel from the rocky cliff base in the early 1980s, Richard Pasanau planted Cabernet Sauvignon to complement the altitude and soils. As in all of Priorat, yields are minuscule.

El Vell Coster is produced from Mazuelo planted in the 1940s on a steep southfacing slope. As the most concentrated and least Mediterranean in style of all Priorat wines, Pasanau offers a unique perspective on this spectacular and ancient wine district.



**CEPS NOUS**

*Parker's Wine Advocate: **90 Points** "The peppery and fresh 2014 Ceps Nous is a blend of 70% Garnacha, 21% Merlot and 9% Syrah from young vines produced in a fresh and fruit-driven style. It fermented in stainless steel and matured in used French oak barrels for some four to six months. It's 15.4% alcohol but quite juicy and balanced, and the alcohol is not noticeable, although it's clearly not a shy wine. Very good in its style."*

*WA: 2013: **90pts**; 2011: **90pts**; 2010: **90+pts**; 2008: **90pts**; 2006: **92pts**; 2005: **91pts***

**Los TORRENTS**

*Wine Enthusiast on the 2012: **93 Points** "This ripe rich blend of 50% Garnacha and 50% Carignan (Mazuelo) smells schisty, woody and earthy, with ample berry fruit. While this is stacked on the palate, it's also well balanced. Ripe black-fruit flavors show notes of buttery oak and chocolate, while this finishes toasty, warm and full of lush black-fruit flavors. Drink through 2024." **"Cellar Selection"***

**Finca LA PLANETA**

*Wine Enthusiast on the 2008: **92 Points** "Aromas of spiced cherry and cassis are schisty and belie this Cabernet-heavy wine's age. A narrow palate with firm tannins and not much give sets up flavors of oak, lemon peel, plum and berry fruits. A lasting finish with deep berry flavors and a topping of oak doesn't lose steam."*

**EL VELL COSTER**

*100% Carinena aged 18 months in 400-liter French oak barrels; Parker's WA: 2009: **91pts**; 2008: **92pts**; 2007: **90pts**; 2006: **94pts**; 2005: **97pts**; 2004: **92pts***

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