# Luis Canas Rioja Gran Reserva

## **Bodegas Luis Canas**

## Spain - Rioja - Rioja

A deep powerful Gran Reserva from one of Rioja Alavesa's most enduring family run wineries. The hillside terraced vineyards are sheltered by the Sierra Cantabria Mountains to the north from harsh weather extremes. Small plot production is utilized in this region of infertile chalky clay soil to produce clusters of excellent quality. Almost 900 plots are needed to complete the approximately 400 hectares of estate-owned or cellar-controlled vineyards, some with vines more than 100 years in age.

### Tasting notes

Ruby red color with earthy tones. The wine shows finesse, elegance and complexity with good concentration of black fruit, thyme and rosemary with secondary aromas of leather and tobacco leaves. In the palate it is polished and rounded, making it pleasant and easy to drink. Fleshy with both elegance and power. It has touches of black fruit jam and liquorice. A long, delicious and persistent finish.

Specifications		
Appellation	Rioja	
Varietals	95% Tempranillo and 5% Graciano	
Agricultural Practices	Sustainable	
Vinification	The bunches are selected by Luis Canas himself before destemming, so individual berries can be sorted by weight. They later undergo fermentation and maceration in stainless steel tanks for 8 days, obtaining better color extraction as well as much more complex and tannic wines, suitable for prolonged aging. After its primary fermentation, the wine is placed in barrels where it undergoes malolactic fermentation and is aged for a total of 24 months (70% French, 30% American oak; new). Further aged 3 years in bottle.	
Pairings	Suitable for pairing with a long, copious meal where it can accommodate braised vegetables, cold cuts, peppers stuffed with hake and shrimp, mushroom omelettes, cod Rioja style, both red and white meat and so on.	



Codes, Weights and Measures	
UPC	7 84585 01635 8
Units/Case	6
Unit Size	750 mL
Container	bottle
scc	1 07 84585 01635 5
Case Weight	21
Cases/Pallet	60
Layers/Pallet	10

ABV	14.50%
SRP	\$ 62.99 USD 750mL Bottle

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2017 Luis Canas Rioja Gran Reserva - 94 PTS - JD
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2016 Luis Canas Rioja Gran Reserva - 92 PTS - JS
2016 Luis Canas Rioja Gran Reserva - 91 PTS - WA
2014 Luis Canas Rioja Gran Reserva - 93 PTS - VINOUS
2013 Luis Canas Rioja Gran Reserva - 92 PTS - WE
2011 Luis Canas Rioja Gran Reserva - 95 PTS - JD
2011 Luis Canas Rioja Gran Reserva - 93 PTS - VINOUS
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2011 Luis Canas Rioja Gran Reserva - 90 PTS - WA