



1900 - Domaine Puig-Parahy Rancio

Rating : (95)

Tasting :

The 1900 Rancio takes one into another world of flavors from other wines of the Puig-Parahy collection that I tasted on this occasion. Intensely pungent aromas of distilled herbs and flowers, along with alkaline and iodine notes lend a very medicinal aura. Citrus oil, aromatic woods, and smoke add ethereal notes in the nose. On the palate, a concentration of dried fruit paste and herbal elixir, silken in texture, seems almost weightless, and an implausibly exuberant primary juiciness rushes in to energize the finish. Toasty nuttiness enters the picture only as a sort of final word. I can think of quite a few wines at this price that offer a lot less excitement! This was the birth year of Georges Puig's grandfather, and he suspects that the family for that reason held back much of their harvest rather than selling it off young. 200 liters are left now.

-David Schildknecht (The Wine advocate , June 2009)