



1971 - Domaine Puig-Parahy Rancio

Rating : (90)

Tasting :

The Puig-Parahy 1971 Rancio reminds me of these wines' Grenache origins in its black raspberry and plum (in both fresh and distilled modes). Dark chocolate and brown spices join in on the palate, leading to a long, penetrating, yet surprisingly un-evolved finish to which bitter walnut and tart fruit skin add invigoration. But it seems as if the true spirit of oxidation has not even taken possession of this wine yet, and I wonder why it was not left a longer time in barrel. Heaven knows there is a wealth of material here, although no sense of heaviness or alcoholic heat.

-David Schildknecht (The Wine advocate , June 2009)