

Introduction to Spanish Wine

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Fill in the blank.

Spain has three major grape varieties. The white grape is

_____, and the red grapes are _____ and _____.

_____ makes a light white wine, with notes of tangerine and white flowers. It grows all over the world but some of the best is grown in Spain.

_____ has lower tannin, kind of like pinot noir, but it tastes like figs.

_____, also known as Grenache, grows well in France and in Paso Robles.



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Rioja - Tempranillo and Garnacha

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Fill in the blank.

Rioja is a famous wine growing region in Spain, and it is labeled as Rioja, which can contain _____ and likely some _____.

It's also aged in _____, and it can have notes of _____, _____, and _____.



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Rías Baixas - Albarino

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Fill in the blank.

In Northwest Spain, we have a very small area called _____
that has exploded for their high quality Albarino.

It has notes of _____, _____ and
sometimes _____. It can be similar to Pinot Grigio in
affordable quality.



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Penedes - Cava

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Fill in the blank.

_____, located in Northeastern Spain, is known for making _____.

Cava is an excellent and often affordable option of sparkling wine that uses white grapes that are _____ to Spain.

Compared to Champagne, Cava tends to have a riper style than _____.



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Sherry and Port

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Fill in the blank.

Sherry and Port are two _____ wines. Port comes from _____ and Sherry is from _____, Spain.

Port comes in 3 styles:

1. The youngest, freshest, and fruitiest style is _____.

2. _____ is aged for an extended amount of time in oak.

3. _____ is only made in special years and all the grapes in the bottle come from the same harvest.

4. _____ is similar to port and made in an island off the coast of Portugal of the same name.

_____ sherry is always light and very dry. Cream Sherry, Amontillado, and Pedro Ximenez have varying levels of _____.



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