



2014 Tinto 1836 Grande Reserva

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Rating: 90

Drink: 2017-2029 Cost: \$73-77

The 2014 1836 Grande Reserva is an Alicante Bouschet aged for 12 months in mostly (90%) French oak, all new. A very respectable performance in a tough year, this shows refinement and the best structure of the winery's reds in 2014. Focused and possessing plenty of finesse, it handles itself nicely. There is too much oak impact just now, but that should improve. It's not drenched in vanilla. This isn't drinking too badly now, but it will certainly be better in a year or two. It probably will not create a lot of excitement given the hefty price tag, but it is certainly the producer's best red this year.