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## Red Blend 2017



**Bodegas Rafael Cambra:** One of the most enigmatic and innovative young winemakers in Spain. Rafael has spent much of his life in the vineyards. His family operates one of the most prestigious nurseries in Spain, with an impressive list of clients. Rafael trained as a nurseryman but became intrigued with winemaking at a young age. Working under Jesus Madrazo at Contino for three years, he then studied and apprenticed in France. Returning to his native Valencia he continued to work for the family business while formulating his plans as a winemaker; finally setting out on his own after discovering a 40-year-old vineyard of Monastrell. His philosophy remains that quality wine is made in the vineyard by creating sustainable harmony with in it. *"Grapes are like a rough diamond, you have to shape it, polish it, but in no case modify it".*

**Dos:** Rafael's first wine was his 2001 vintage of Uno (or 'One'), which was made entirely from Monastrell. A few years later he released his second wine, Dos (or 'Two').

**Tasting notes:** A pretty red that shows raspberries, charcuterie, wild herbs and blueberries. Firm and tight on the medium-bodied palate with taut tannins, leading to a zesty, medium-chewy finish. Drink now.

**Wine Makers:** Rafael Cambra

**Appellation:** Valencia

**Grapes:** 33% Cabernet Sauvignon, 33% Cabernet Franc, 33% Monastrell

**Soil:** Calcareous and sandy loam soil and loam covered with small stones.

**Elevation:** 2170 feet **Vine Age:** 35 Years

**Vineyard practice:** Sustainable including dry farming **Yield:** 1.4 tons per acre

**Harvest Dates:** End of September by hand

**Fermentation:** Fermentation with natural yeast in 2,000-litre open stainless-steel tanks, with gentle pumping-over and punching-down.

**Maceration:** at 77 °F for 2 weeks.

**Aging:** 8 months in 1-3-year-old French oak barrels, and 6 months in vats

**pH:** 3.5 **RS:** 2.5 grams per liter **Alc:** 14% **UPC:** 7 50428 20077 2



VALENCIA D.O.

**Valencia:** is the name of the autonomous community (state), a province within the state, a DO, and the 3<sup>rd</sup> largest city in Spain. The vineyard and winery are based in Fontanars dels Alforins, a small village of about 800 inhabitants located South of Valencia and N. of Alicante, 2100 feet above sea level. A dry, inland Mediterranean climate where vines flourish in harmony with other crops such as almonds, olive trees and grains.

### Other Wines Available:

- Soplo
- El Bon Homme
- Uno
- Minimum

