



Limited Terroir Al Limit by Eben Sadie

Little needs to be said about Eben Sadie, arguably South Africa's most regarded winemaker and maverick. His partnership in Priorat has challenged the norm in producing elegantly styled wines in a region known for massively ripe, towering wines. Each wine is a reflection of the vineyard, in the same way a Grand Cru Burgundy expresses its special origin. Extremely minimalist winemaking without the use of any technology or new oak produces 'soil to glass' wines of sheer liveliness and soul. Both 2007 and 2008 are cool, elegant vintages favouring this approach.

These are made in tiny volumes and are thus extremely limited. But try them at our **Spanish Tasting** in JHB on Tuesday 22nd and in Cape Town 23rd with Eben Sadie himself here at Wine Cellar. R350 per person.

Terroir Al Limit	Torroja Vi de Vila	2008	R 350
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Terroir Al Limit	Dits del Terra	2008	R 595
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Terroir Al Limit	L'Arbossar	2008	R 595
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Notes from the Wine Advocate on the 2008 vintage. 2007 was not rated.



Vi de Vila cuvee consists of equal parts Garnacha and Carinena aged for 24 months in 500-liter casks and foudres. The 2008 Vi de Vila, from a cool vintage with long hang-time, displays terrific freshness and vibrant acidity. Purple in color with an enticing nose of mineral, spice box, incense, lavender, black cherry, and black raspberry, on the palate it reveals considerable concentration and elegance. It will evolve for several years and will provide pleasure through 2023. WA 91/100

The **Dits del Terra** vineyard cuvee (from 83-year-old vines) is 100% Carinena from a south facing site that is aged for 24 months in 18 HL foudres. The 2008 Dits del Terra displays higher acidity than normal due to the cool growing season in a normally warm site that typically shows the darker side of Priorat. Purple in color with a nose of lavender, Asian spices, incense, blackberry, and blueberry, on the palate it reveals a firm structure with fresh, lively acidity, intense flavors, lots of spice, and a pure finish. Drink it from 2013 to 2023. WA 91/100

The **L'Arbossar** vineyard cuvee (from 89-year-old vines) is 100% Carinena from a north facing site that is aged for 18 months in 18 HL foudres. The 2008 L'Arbossar is dark ruby red in color with a nose of mineral, black plum, tapenade, and violets. On the palate it is dense, spicy, and elegant (due in part to the cool growing season) with impeccable balance and length. Although it can be approached now, it will be better with several more years of cellaring. WA 92/100

The **Les Manyes** cuvee is 100% Garnacha from a 54-year-old vineyard that is aged for 24 months in 18 HL foudres. The 2008 Les Manyes is dark ruby red with an inviting nose of cherry blossom, cedar, mineral, black cherry, and black raspberry. On the palate it is concentrated, vibrant and sweetly fruited while deftly combining elegance and power. Give it another 2-3 years of cellaring and drink it from 2013 to 2023. WA 92/100

The **Les Tosses** cuvee is sourced from an 80-year-old Carinena vineyard that is aged for 24 months in 18 HL foudres. The 2008 Les Tosses is deep purple in color with a brooding bouquet of violets, black plum, tapenade, and brier. This leads to a voluminous wine with intense, spicy black fruit, a lively acid structure, plenty of complexity, and a lengthy finish. Drink it from 2013 to 2023 WA 91

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