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## 2011 Portal del Priorat Clos del Portal Somni

ORIGIN:	Spain   DOCa Priorat
TYPE:	Red Wine, Still
TASTING:	A wine of great depth and intensity. The yin and yang of Carignan and Syrah: powerful, masculine, yet layered with floral notes. Dark sweet fruits, pepper. Silky tannins. Balanced acidity. One for the cellar, if you can resist.
DESCRIPTION:	<p>Nestled between El Lloar and Bellmut, the 40 ha Clos del Portal estate is a connected patchwork of individual parcels, 14 ha of which are planted to vines. The vineyards lie above the River Siurana valley, and rise – in a succession of terraces and “costers” (steep hillside plots) – to the spurs of the Montsant range. Characteristic of the region, soils are mineral rich, predominately “licorella” slate. However, it is the different proportions of oxidized slate and other compounds in each parcel that lend complexity to the final cuvée. Each parcel is vinified separately.</p> <p>The last to be harvested, late ripening bunches of Carignan and Syrah persisting on the vines, becoming more concentrated, form Somni.</p>
SITE:	Altitude DOCa Priorat 100 – 750 m
VARIETAL(S):	Carignan 60%, Syrah 40%
SOILS:	“Licorella” slate
VINIFICATION:	Aged for 14 months in French oak barrels. Fermentation with native yeasts. Unfiltered.
TECHNICAL:	Alcohol: 14.0%
PRODUCTION:	Limited – 4,256 bottles
WINEMAKER:	Alfredo Arribas
FARMING:	Organic transitioning to biodynamic
PRESS & POINTS:	90 Robert Parker 93 Guia Peñin 93 Guia Repsol

