# Partida Creus, VY Blanco (2018)

Producer Partida Creus

Distributor Zev Rovine Selections Supplier/Importer Selections de la Viña Category Wine - Still - White

Region Spain Vintage 2018

#### **Sizes**

 $750 \text{ mL} \times 12 - 17-0750-18$ 



### Distributor's notes

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About them, they are an italian couple from Piedmont living in the Baix Penedés, recovering old vines of native grape varietals. In most cases, the vineyards are close to abandoned. Whenever they find a new vineyard, they'll go to the nearby town, find out who the owner is and approach them to buy or at least farm the vineyard. People think they're crazy for doing this as they are very old, low yielding vineyards and in most cases, obsolete grape varietals. Now they're known as the crazy Italians making incredible natural wines with grapes nobody else wanted.

# About the producer

The name Partida Creus is a reference to the crosses used for separating holdings back in the day. Massimo Marchiori and Antonella Gerona are an Italian couple from Piedmont. Both of them architects who initially moved to Barcelona for that reason. Around the year 2000, they moved out to the country in search of a "slower" lifestyle. They settled in the Massís de Bonastre (Baix Penedés) characterized by its clay and limestone soils. There they started

farming all kinds of local foodstuffs but had trouble finding wines made in the same style so they started making their own, recovering old vines of local grape varietals.

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