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## Current sparkle, in abundance



A collection of over 100 blends of wine and carbon dioxide, including many a grower champagne tasted by Tam in one marathon love-in.

## Raventós i Blanc, Conca del Riu Anoia Manuel Raventós Negra Espumoso de Calidad Brut Nature 2016 Vino de España

17.5

Full bottle 1,685 g. Certified organic (Ecocert). 100% Xarello planted between 1965 and 1984. A selection of the best wines of the vintage.

Golden and paraffin smoky. A bit old-Riesling-like on the nose. Real evolution on the palate – the bubbles are ultra-tiny and melt instantly in the mouth, the buttery fruit is burnished, and the acidity is beautifully resolved, feeling like a plume of fine sea spray rather than a defined line. Dried pears and white currants and something so savoury that it's like focaccia: olive-oil rich, golden, crispy, studded with salt crystals and oven-baked herbs. Long and broad, but at the same time restrained and understated. Serious foodie wine. (TC) 12% Drink 2023 – 2030