

## Alegre Wine & Spirits ( Reus, Catalonia, Spain)



*Toni Omedes Alegre*

### THE WINERY

According to ancient writings, Vermouth was invented by Hippocrates, a famous physician of antiquity, born in 460 BC. He macerated flowers and leaves of wormwood dictamo in wine, obtaining what in the middle ages was called, "Hippocratic wine" or simply "herbal wine." Reus area in Catalonia became a top-quality Vermouth producing area in Spain after 1892, exporting around the globe.

Toni Omedes Alegre has been involved in the spirits business since he was born, his family started elaborating wines and spirits back in 1910 in Spain. Generation after generation they have continued this legacy with passion and dedication.

In 2016 as a personal and passionate challenge he found an ancient formula of "his perfect red vermouth", from Reus where he started **Fot-Li**.

Where is Reus in Spain?



**Vermut** means appetizers time !!!! or Happy Hour....



## Fot-Li, Fórmula Antiga Vermouth

**Meaning:** *Go for it!*



- **Region/ Sub-Region:** Spain, Catalonia, Reus.
- **Grapes:** 100% White Garnacha.
- **Vinification:** Grapes are vinified in contact with the skins. Wine is macerated with aromatic herbs for 1 month with: Thyme, orange peels, anise, cardamom, nutmeg, laurel, oregano, fennel, sage and vanilla, angelica in addition to other different 18 herbs.
- **Aging:** Wine is aged a minimum of 40 years using the solera style in old oak barrels. Barriques are 100% French oak, and exposed to the sun, using solera system to obtain high oxidation.
- **Nose:** Herbal notes from the infusion: Rosemary, sage and vanilla, as well as the solera oxidative character.
- **Taste:** Sweet, warm and balanced bouquet with thyme and some hazelnut and vanilla.
- **Color:** Dark brown with amber highlights, dense tear complex.
- **Alcohol content:** 16%.
- **Gastronomy:** Anything slightly salty or savory. Traditional tapas from this region, olives and salty nuts. Small pours with 2 ice cubes garnished with and orange peel or mix it and make: Negroni, Manhattan, Americano or your own cocktail!
- **Case Production:** 750 cases per year.