

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



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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, vermouth

Meaning: *Go for it!*



- **Region/ Sub-Region:** Spain, Catalonia, Reus.
- **Grapes:** 90% White Garnacha, 10% Airen and Viura.
- **Vinification:** Grapes are vinified in contact with the skins. Wine is macerated with aromatic herbs: orange peels, anise, cardamom, nutmeg, laurel, oregano, fennel, sage and vanilla.
- **Aging:** Wine is aged a minimum of 1 month in 15 years old oak barrels. Barriques are 20% American oak and 80% French oak.
- **Nose:** Herbal notes from the infusion: Rosemary, sage and vanilla.
- **Taste:** Sweet, warm and balanced bouquet with thyme and some hazelnut and vanilla.
- **Color:** Dark brown with amber highlights.
- **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:** 2,000 cases per year.

CRITICS AND REVIEWS:

Dr. Owen Bargreen, Oct '21 – 93 points – “This outstanding and complex Vermouth delivers rich caramel and orange rind flavors alongside shades of banana and toffee cake. Delicious now, and beautifully textured with bright mouth-watering acidity, enjoy over the next decade.”