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BRUTUS

REBULA
BRUTUS
2009



90
points
Drink: 2015-2021

2009 Ferdinand Brutus

The 2009 Brutus is a Ribolla Gialla aged in second use French oak for 24 months. The first year in oak was with the skins; then it was pressed and aged for an additional 12 months in the same oak. Sourced from 23-year-old vines, this is a so-called "orange wine" with 1,500 bottles produced. Lusher, a bit creamier and more velvety than unoaked or modestly oaked Ribollas reviewed this issue, this has a down-the-middle feel to it, avoiding heavy oxidation or heavy wood nuances. It finishes with some pop and power. It is very well done for an aging white in this style. It's not cheap, but the late release makes the price fair. And it's very good. It will do well on its own or as a food match.

This producer's efforts with Ribolla Gialla were very interesting. They were some of my favorite whites in this report and reasonably priced for what they are. They are well worth a look.

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