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The new vignerons

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"I traveled over the course of almost two years with photographer Estanis Núñez, an old friend of mine, just like we used to in our rock'n'roll days, taking photos, eating and drinking together. This book contains 14 profiles of *vignerons*, each of them different, spanning most of the wine-producing regions of Spain. There are others, but this is my personal selection. Their profiles talk about the history, landscape, vineyards, cuisine, passion and tradition of their region. You won't find tannins, anthocyanins, vintages, points or tasting notes here. I am hardly going to talk about wine at all. But you will find the often-forgotten human side and the context of what is in the bottle, including local cuisine (where wine plays an important role) as well as each winegrower's personal take on it. Their main aim in life is to portray the uniqueness of their vineyards, villages and landscapes through a bottle of wine. Wine that can transport you back to the time and place it was produced the moment you drink it. These are the new *vignerons*. A new generation of Spanish winegrowers."

Luis Gutiérrez

Luis Gutiérrez (Ávila, 1965) escribe sobre los vinos de España, Chile y Argentina para la publicación líder mundial del sector, *Robert Parker's Wine Advocate* desde principios de 2013. Desde finales de 2015 también se encarga de comentar los vinos del Jura en Francia. Su trabajo consiste en caminar por los viñedos para entender los vinos, descubrir la cultura y la gastronomía locales y conversar con los enólogos para escribir sus artículos con toda precisión y dar contexto así a lo que hay en cada botella.

Fue cofundador y colaborador entre 2000 y 2014 de «elmundovino.com» y corresponsal de vinos españoles para la gran especialista Jancis Robinson entre 2011 y 2014, lo que le valió el Premio Nacional de Gastronomía a la Labor Periodística. Ha colaborado en *1001 Vinos que hay que probar antes de morir* y es co-autor de *The Finest Wines of Rioja and Northwest Spain* publicado en el Reino Unido, Estados Unidos y Japón, por el que obtuvo el premio André Simon Special Commendation Award.