

CLOS MOGADOR 1992

PRIORAT

(\$50.00)

RED

90+

This luxury cuvée is from Priorat, an area in northern Spain that is eliciting considerable interest from the international wine crowd. The finest wines from Priorat are phenomenally concentrated and intense, and generally need 8-10 years of cellaring. This effort from René Barbier could easily be inserted in a tasting with young, tannic, concentrated Bordeaux. It will require 10 years of cellaring before it sheds enough of its tannin to be attractive. The wine exhibits a dense, opaque ruby/purple

color, and plenty of sweet, spicy, vanillin, and new oak in the nose, along with black currants and toast. Extremely youthful and backward, this full-bodied, concentrated wine tastes more like a barrel sample than a finished wine. However, it exhibits undeniable potential. Anticipated maturity: 2007-2020. Importer: A Christopher Cannan Selection, Europvin USA, Watertown, MA; tel. (617) 924-7620