

PALOMA DE SACRAMENTO 2018

Single Vineyard · Viñas Leizaola

PRODUCTION AREA

Own vineyards in Laguardia. Rioja Alavesa

FINAL BLEND

Viura 85% · Malvasía 15%

PRODUCTION / VINIFICATION

Harvest in 12kg crates with manual selection of bunches and mechanical selection of individual grapes. Racking in stainless tanks at cold temperature for cleaning; French oak and acacia barrels, and egg concrete tank for fermentation. Manual lees stirring for 4 months before bottling.

VITICULTOR'S VINTAGE

It was a snowy winter, with high rainfalls and cold temperatures well into the spring, until the end of May. The last snow fell in mid-April. Flowering occurred mid-June. The cold and humid weather spared the vineyard from odium and mildew attacks. Good conditions during the flowering, combined with good fecundation, led to an important load of fruit and large bunches.

There were several strong storms during the summer, a heat wave in the first days of August, and a good day/night temperature contrast in September, with temperatures rising again to 32 degrees on 23 September. Those good conditions maintained during the harvest, from 8 to 20 October.

Hard work was carried out in the vineyards throughout the summer to fight and control the possible attack of disease because of the storms. The vineyard's vigor is a clear characteristic of this vintage. Some plots were green harvested up to five different times before the final harvest.

TASTING NOTE 24 NOVEMBER 2020

COLOUR

Bright straw colour of medium intensity

NOSE

Without moving the glass one appreciates aromas of yellow fruit, creaminess and subtle oak.

Swirling the glass the yellow fruit aromas of quince and apricot are intensified and mixed with elegant toasting, subtle minerality and spicy herbs.

PALATE

On the palate the wine is creamy, elegant with good balance and medium body. The taste is marked by quince, aniseed, fennel, vanilla and clove mixed with a hint of citrus fruit, fine minerality and well integrated oak aging.

The finish is medium long and well balanced.



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