

PALOMA DE SACRAMENTO 2020

Single Vineyard · Viñas Leizaola

PRODUCTION AREA

Own Vineyards in Laguardia. Rioja Alavesa

FINAL BLEND

Viura 72% · Malvasía 15% · Garnacha Blanca 13%

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 granite tank for fermentation. Manual lees stirring for 4 months before bottling.

NATURE'S GENEROSITY, GREAT WINE

Although the Consejo Regulador qualified 2019 as an exceptional vintage, nothing seemed less certain considering the year's weather. Not one drop of rain fell between December and 18 April and budding was drawn out throughout the cold and humid end of April and into May. The heat wave that started on 30 May quickly brought about flowering, which started on 4 June, but lasted a long time, foreshadowing a small harvest. Mid-flowering occurred on 18 June at El Sacramento.

Weather-wise, it was a typical summer with hot dry air and some scattered showers compensating for the dry winter.

Significant rains on 26 August, 10 September, and 16 September made the period leading up to the harvest fraught with danger. Prevailing winds helped bring the grapes to optimal maturation in a healthy state. The whites were harvested on 17 and 18 September. All the key events of this year's vegetative cycle were drawn out; this great vintage was clearly produced in boundary conditions.

TASTING NOTE 21 JULY 2021

COLOUR

Bright light yellow.

NOSE

Without moving the glass the wine smells of fresh pastry, vanilla and lemon peel. Swirling the glass hints of white cassis appear mixed with lychee, curry and dried hay followed by a soft elegant toasting with a mineral finish.

PALATE

The first impression on the palate is silky, of medium body and well balanced. The taste is marked by citric flavors paired with yellow peach, vanilla, toffee and graphite. The finish is creamy with good acidity long and pleasant.



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