



Sierra Cantabria

SIERRA CANTABRIA RESERVA

-2015-



*"Expression of red fruit, tannic but ripe with good acidity and structure, character and expressive "*

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VINEYARDS	<b>Proprietary vineyards located in San Vicente de la Sonsierra</b> DO. Calificada Rioja.
VINEYARDS	Soil: Calcareous clay with gravel. Environmental integrated agriculture cultivation, applying a viticulture respectful with the environment, following the biorhythms of the plant.
YIELD	<b>Average yield:</b> 40 Hls. /Ha.
HARVEST	Hand harvested bunches selected in the vineyard and in the winery by means of a double sorting table. <b>Date of Harvest:</b> to the 25 to 28 of September 2015.
VARIETY	Tempranillo (100%) from 30+ year old vineyards.
WINE	VINIFICATION: Traditional, 100% destemmed. Alcoholic fermentation for 11 days with indigenous yeast selected from our own vineyards. Temperature-controlled fermentation between 28 and 30°C. Extended post-fermentative maceration on the skins for 10 days, with two pump-overs daily in the beginning with a light pump-over daily at the end. AGING: 17 months in Bordelaise barrels of (70%) French and (30%) american oak. Age of the barrels: 20 % new oak, 80 % maximum "3 wines-barrel". Racked regularly every 4 months. Bottling: February 2019.
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VINTAGE:

The weather in 2015 began with a sunny winter and heavy snowfall, above average, but with temperatures normal for the area. In mid-March there was a slight rise in temperatures, producing some development in the buds, leading to sprouting between late March and early April. On April 5 a period of mild temperatures and light, sporadic rainfall began, yielding rapid sprouting and strong vegetative growth. April was a dry month. May began with a significant increase in temperatures, reaching from 30° C - 33° C between the 10th and the 14th. The lack of rain triggered very rapid vegetative growth. In mid-May temperatures dropped, causing the plants to slowly grow and develop. May was an extremely dry month, with the first flowers appearing around the 28th/29th. June began with the first flowers in the earliest areas, and temperatures rose to 23° C, maxing out at 26° C. In the second week of June, with flowering already having taken place, rain fell, with storms dumping up to 80 liters / m2. On June 13 there was a hailstorm, mainly in the area of El Bosque (medium/severe), and Vizcarral (more moderate), also affecting the high portion of Concova, and Trasugueras, with about 60l / m2. June ended with high temperatures, ranging up to 40 degrees. It proved to be a very hot month, but at night the temperatures dropped to 14° C - 16° C, with the exception of certain dates, from 17 to 20 June, when the nights were warmer and the temperatures did not drop below 20° C / 22 C. On July 21st there were a series of storms, with 17 liters falling in San Vicente de la Sonsierra and 22 liters in Párganos. August begins very hot and dry up to August 12th, date on which some storms took place falling 12 liters. Veraison begins rapidly during the first week of August, causing ripening in mid- month. Follow the month with high temperatures, cool mornings, August 30th and 31st several storms took place falling 38 liters. September starts cloudy, with mild temperatures and absence of rain, accelerate ripening and being substantially complete in mid September with an advance of nearly 3 weeks to a month compared to a normal year. Harvesting took place the last week of September having very healthy grapes with a graduation slightly higher than previous years, good balance and acidity and good phenolic maturity.



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