

# LIBANO



*Selección de la Familia*

**VARIETIES:** Red Graciano 2019 100%.

**WINE REGION:** D.O.C. Rioja (Rioja Alta) – Spain

## VITICULTURE:

This wine comes from the selection of the best of our Escarza vineyard, and only in exceptional years.

Our vineyards are located on the southern slopes of the Obarenes Mountains, on calcareous clay soils, between 500 and 700 metres above sea level and with a north-south orientation.

They are planted on trellises, with a planting density of 3,200 vines per hectare and are dry-farmed.

A lot of "canopy management" is carried out, such as removing laterals (new buds) and suckering (removing buds from more than 1 year old), as well as removing some leaves and grapes, always striving to achieve maximum exposure to the wind and sun, improve the microclimate at cluster level and adjust production to the required level of quality.

Harvest by hand in boxes of 20 kilos and with manual selection on a selection table, to achieve the maximum quality.

## VINIFICATION

Alcoholic fermentation for 12 days and maceration on the skins for 17 days. Automatic temperature control, with a maximum of 22 degrees. Gentle pumping over and manual cap immersion, depending on the needs of each day. Malolactic fermentation in tanks.

It was pumped into new French oak barrels for malolactic fermentation, with batonnages every 2 days, for 6 months until the end of fermentation.

## AGEING

The wine was aged for 18 months in French oak barrels, of which 8 months were in new barrels, 5 months in 1-year-old barrels and a further 5 months in 2-year-old barrels. A selection of barrels is made individually for subsequent resting in stainless steel tanks for 6 months, where the natural stabilisation by decanting is completed. Once this is finished, the wine is aged in the bottle for at least 15 months.

## TASTING NOTES

Intense ruby colour, very deep. Very expressive, fine and elegant nose. Ripe black fruit, aromatic herbs and mint, well integrated with notes of wood, smoke and minerals. Powerful, very well balanced acidity and alcohol, with silky tannins and a long finish. A very elegant wine with a "wild" touch.

