The Yerga Mountain Range Terroir

solomazuelo 2021

Mazuelo forms part of the history of the wines of Rioja, to which it gives freshness and longevity. Difficult to cultivate, the area in which it is grown is decreasing from year to year. Solomazuelo seeks to show off the virtues of this grape in the climate and soils of the Sierra de Yerga and in this way restore it to its former place of importance.



COMPOSITION	100% mazuelo (Carignan)
VINEYARD	Vines from La Cantera and El Arenal, at altitudes
	of 530 and 600 m grown in sandy-loam soils
VITICULTURE	Organic in the process of certification
HARVESTING	Picked manually in 11 kg. crates. Selection of
	clusters. Average yield 4,500 kg/ha
VINTAGE	The favourable weather conditions conditioned
	the ripening process and led to a brilliant end to
	the cycle; the extension of the harvest period
	favoured phenolic ripening without acceleration
	and selective harvesting. The vineyards where,
	due to their altitude and state of health, it was
	possible to wait, the result was exceptional.
VINIFICATION	Fermentation with wild yeast, with daily pigeage.
	Short post-fermentation maceration of about 2-3
	days.
AGEING	Malolactic fermentation in 500-litre French oak
	barrels, 15% new and 75% used. Ageing for 12
	months in the same barrels and subsequent ageing
	for 12 months in a concrete tank.
BOTTLING	January 2023
ANALYSIS	Alc/vol: 14,5% Acidity: 5.15 g/l pH: 3.5
TASTING NOTE	Dark fruit aromas (black plum and redcurrant),
	spices (cloves), cocoa, tobacco, dried flowers and
	balsamic herbs. Fresh and silky mouth feel.
BEST CONSUMED	Now or within the next 10 years
POINT SCORES	94 Tim Atkin

Contains Sulphites