



TASTING NOTES

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| WINE: _____ | Viña Real |
| CLASSIFICATION: _____ | Gran Reserva |
| VINTAGE: _____ | 1996 |
| BOTTLE TYPE/CAPACITY: _____ | Burgundy Deep Punt 75cl |
| MAIN PRODUCCION AREA: _____ | Rioja Alavesa |
| GRAPE BLEND: _____ | 95% Tempranillo 5% Mazuela |

TECHNICAL INFORMATION:

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| ALCOHOL: _____ | 13.5% |
| TOTAL ACIDITY: _____ | 5.3 g/l |
| pH: _____ | 3.62 |
| VOLATILITY ACIDITY: _____ | 0.65 g/l |
| SO ₂ Free/Total _____ | 28/62 mg/l |

WINEMAKING: Made from a meticulous selection of our best grapes in the Rioja Alavesa subzone. Fermentation was carried out at controlled temperatures in stainless steel vats, with regular pumping over and cap submersions to extract optimum colour. Malolactic fermentation followed, in a mixture of american and french oak casks, and the wine was then matured, with regular rackings to fine and stabilize the wine naturally. Once cask ageing was complete, the wine was lightly fined using egg whites to give the wine its finished silky texture and shine. Once in bottle the wine has continued to evolve in elegance and finesse which are typical of this style.

THE VINTAGE/HARVEST: Classified as VERY GOOD. with annual rainfall of 523 mm and a vegetative cycle of 199 days. Autumn and Winter had sufficient well distributed rain and were followed by a difficult Spring with some hailstorms affecting to the Torremontalbo area. The high temperatures started from the second half of May, and there were storms in July and hail in Sajazarra. There was a dry start to September with some rain in the middle, but with good temperatures for the harvest, giving grapes of great quality mainly in Rioja Alavesa and in the Haro area.

TASTING NOTE: Bright ruby, cherry red with good colour structure. Extremely elegant on the nose, balancing mature, fine fruit with the toasty, spicy notes from the wood. On the palate it is rich, structured and complex, with fine rounded tannins balancing the ripe fruit. This is a fine wine, complex and long in the palate and finish, showing great ageing potential.