Marques de Riscal Arienzo Crianza 2023



Region

With nearly 65,000 hectares of vineyard, the region of La Rioja lends its name to Spain`s most widely recognised wines. Rioja is split by three major districts; Alta and Alavesa to the north, which are higher in altitude and the hot dry Oriental district to the south (previously known as Rioja Baja). Tempranillo, Garnacha, Graciano and Mazuelo are the main red grape varieties used however more international varieties can also be used. The traditional aging classification system gives Rioja wines their distinctive style through the influence of extended ageing in oak barrels.

Producer

The origins of the go back to 1858, when the Marques de Riscal, who was resident in Bordeaux, was asked to hire a French winemaker to help the locals improve their winemaking techniques, four years later in 1862 they produced the first ever Rioja wine to be bottled. In 1895 Marques de Riscal was the first non- French wine to win the diploma of honour in the Bordeaux Exhibition. Today the company owns nearly 600 hectares of vines, across La Rioja, Rueda and Castilla y Leon regions. Since 2006 Riscal inaugurated “The City of Wine” including a state-of-the-art winery and a hotel designed by the famous architect Frank O. Gehry.

Tasting Notes

Made from carefully selcted grapes; tempranillo, mazuelo and graciano, from some of Marques de Riscals best vineyards located in Laguardia and Elciego in the Rioja Alavesa region. After fermentation the wine is aged for a period of 18 months in American oak barrels to mature. A fresh, fruity wine with a lovely concentration, bursting with red berries and plums, complemented by vanilla and sweet spices from the oak. Full and supple with a long finish.

Food

Serve with pasta with a tomato sauce, roast meats and mild to medium pork or lamb curry.

Technical Information

Country	Spain
Region	Rioja
Grape(s)	Tempranillo (90%) Graciano (5%) Mazuelo (5%)
Type	Red
Style	Smooth
Oaked Style	Oaked
Body Style	Medium bodied
Sustainable	No

Dry/Sweet Style	Not applicable	
Alcohol Content	14.5%	
Closure Style	Cork	
Organic/Biodynamic	No	
Allergens	**Milk:** **Egg:**	No No
Vegetarian/Vegan	**Vegetarian:** **Vegan:**	Yes Yes

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