

Rioja Garnacha Tinto Azabache 2021



Region

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

Fincas de Azabache is a state of the art cooperative, founded in December 1956. The Bodegas now owns 2600 hectares of vineyards at the foot of Mount Yerga, which is at the heart of the driest sub region of Rioja; "Oriental", previously Rioja Baja. With limited risk of rot, this is an area conducive to the principles of organic viticulture, to which the Bodegas is firmly and successfully committed. The cooperative have recently invested heavily in a new winery, the fruits of which we are now seeing.

Tasting Notes

The Aldeanueva winery in the heart of Rioja is well known for its wines. A vibrant, unoaked and supple red, made exclusively from Garnacha grapes grown in the dry Baja region of Rioja. This soft seductive wine exhibits typical Garnacha character of blackberries, plums, blackcurrants and cherries. The mouthfeel is soft and rounded with smooth tannins, it has a long, mouth filling finish.

Food

An excellent companion for steaks, red meats and all kinds of cheese.

Technical Information

Country	Spain	Dry/Sweet Style	Not applicable
Region	Rioja	Alcohol Content	14.5%
Grape(s)	Garnacha (100%)	Closure Style	Cork
Type	Red	Organic/Biodynamic	No
Style	Smooth	Allergens	Milk: No Egg: No
Oaked Style	Lightly oaked	Vegetarian/Vegan	Vegetarian: Yes Vegan: Yes
Body Style	Full bodied		
Sustainable	Yes-sustainable practices		



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