# Hacienda el Ternero Crianza `Torno`Rioja Alta 2022




## 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

Hacienda el Ternero dates back to 1077 AD, when it belonged to the Santa Maria de Herrerea Monastery. The chapel still remains in the estate to shelter the patron saint, la Virgen de la Pera. The Bodega takes its name from the village of El Ternero where it is located. The village used to have just 156 people living there. In the 1960`s the entire village was sold to three Basque families who planted vineyards to sell grapes to large producers. In 2009, the current owner bought the village and launched the new brand of Hacienda el Ternero. Their 60 hectares of vineyards are in one of the highest areas of Rioja and sit at an altitude of 650m.

## Tasting Notes

The name `Torno` stems from the old Monastery; the monks would place food and clothing onto the base of a rotating door which they would turn `torno` so that the people outside could get to them without looking out. 100 % Tempranillo, this fantastic Crianza was aged for 12 months in French oak barrels before resting in bottle. The nose is perfumed with violets and cherries. The palate is fresh and structured with notes of black fruits with spices and hints of caramel from the oak influence on the finish.

## Food

Serve with slightly spiced meats such as salami`s and chorizo and mature hard cheeses.

## Technical Information

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| **Country** | Spain |
| **Region** | Rioja |
| **Grape(s)** | Tempranillo (100%) |
| **Type** | Red |
| **Style** | Fruity |
| **Oaked Style** | Oaked |
| **Body Style** | Medium bodied |
| **Sustainable** | Yes-sustainable practices |

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| **Dry/Sweet Style** | Dry | |
| **Alcohol Content** | 14% | |
| **Closure Style** | Cork | |
| **Organic/Biodynamic** | No | |
| **Allergens** | **Milk:**<br>**Egg:** | No<br>No |
| **Vegetarian/Vegan** | **Vegetarian:**<br>**Vegan:** | Yes<br>Yes |

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