



# EL BERNATE

WHITE WINE  
**2020**

Malvasía is a minority grape in Rioja. The 130 Ha of vineyards planted only represent 2% of the surface of white varieties. Through this wine we want to enhance the mineral and citric character that this variety can develop in limestone soils of Rioja Alta, in the town of San Vicente de la Sonsierra.

## VINTAGE

Although the 2020 vintage can be described as warm and Mediterranean because of the high temperatures it has known throughout the campaign, rainfall was also abundant especially in spring with rains spread every 7 days. These weather conditions generated very significant mildew pressure with production losses of up to 40%. The dry and hot summer finale generated a noticeable drop in acidity that forced us to harvest early to hold the phenolic balance of the wines.

## TYPE OF WINE

Dry White

## GRAPES VARIETIES

Malvasía Riojana 100%

## VINEYARDS

- El Bernate – San Vicente de la Sonsierra – 80 years old – Limestone and Clay, Sands on top
- 400 meters high, Southern exposure, on the slopes of the Sierra Cantabria

## HARVEST

- 11 September 2020
- By hand / 15 Kg cases

## WINEMAKING

- Fermented in Concrete Egg (15°C)
- Maceration – 2 weeks

## AGEING

- Concrete Egg of 950 liters
- 12 months

## PACKAGING

- Natural Cork
- 6 bottles case

## PRODUCTION

- 1,200 bottles - 75 Cl.

## TASTING NOTES

White / green gold color. Floral notes (acacia, rose) give way to more citric tones (lime) and white fruit (nectarine) with mineral touches (graphite). Good tension on the palate, deep with good citrus presence and freshness.

## FOOD PAIRINGS

Seafood (oysters, spider crabs, barnacles), Baked fish (Sea bass, Turbot), Goat cheese

## SERVING TEMPERATURE

13°C

## ANALYTICAL DATA:

ALCOHOLIC DEGREE	13,00 %
TOTAL ACIDITY (TARTARIC)	4,90 g/l
VOLATIL ACIDITY	0,30 g/l
pH	3,40
FREE SULPHITES	22 mg/l
TOTAL SUPHITES	85 mg/l

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