

#### ANALYTICAL DATA:

ALCOHOLIC DEGREE 14,50%

TOTAL ACIDITY 5,65 g/l (TARTARIC)

VOLATILACIDITY 0,52 g/l

**pH** 3.55

FREE SULPHITES 15 mg/l

TOTAL SUPHITES 32 mg/l

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# **EL ESPINAL**

RED WINE 2020

This wine is part of a collection of authentic and soulful bottlings that honors the hard work of the viticulturist Miguel Angel Mato, a native of San Vicente de la Sonsierra. Through this collection of wines we hope to highlight the unique character and hard work he puts into his best plots. We hope the terroir expressed in the wines will transparently illuminate the soil, climate, and the hand of this man: a critical and fundamental element that make up their terroir

#### 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 Red

#### **GRAPES VARIETIES**

Maturana Tinta (Castets) 100%

## **VINEYARDS**

- El Espinal San Vicente de la Sonsierra 30 years old Limestone and clay
- 650 meters high, Southern exposure, on the slopes of the Sierra Cantabria

# HARVEST

- 16 October 2020
- By hand / 15 Kg cases

# WINEMAKING

- Integral fermentation in barrels (22°C)
- Maceration 2 weeks

### **AGEING**

- Used french oak of 600 y 225 liters
- 12 months

#### **PACKAGING**

- Natural Cork
- 6 bottles wooden caes

# **PRODUCTION**

- 1.400 bottles - 75 Cl.

# **TASTING NOTES**

Bright purple color. Aromas of black fruit (blackberry, blueberry), white pepper and licorice. On the palate, very round and greedy, very spicy (black pepper). Powerful and vibrant, very fresh final, with a clearly marked Atlantic character.

# **FOOD PAIRINGS**

Charcuteríe, Cecina y jamón ibérico. Braised Octupuss, spicy food and grilled meats.

# SERVING TEMPERATURE

16°C

## **BODEGAS EXOPTO**

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