BODEGA VIÑAS DEL CÉNIT

Vino de la Tierra de Castilla y León Address: Ctra. Circunvalación s/n 49708 Villanueva del Campeán (Zamora) Website: www.bodegascenit.com Year of foundation: 2004

Average annual production: 200,000



THE BODEGA

Sub-area: Viñas del Cenit is located in the heart of the historical Tierra del Vino de Zamora, a region that has some of the oldest and most unique vineyards in Spain

Vineyard: Viñas del Cenit thrives on vineyards exclusively located in the municipalities of Villanueva de Campeán and Cabañas de Sayago, within the scope of the D.O. Tierra del Vino. Thanks to the climate in the region and the philosophy of the bodega, a viticulture is followed using environmentally-friendly organic products and the work is carried out in a sustainable manner

Location: South-east of the province of Zamora, at both sides of River Duero

Orography: Hills Altitude: 750 m

Climate: Dry continental climate, cold winters, hot summers

Average rainfall: 400 mm.

Soils: Varied surfaces with sand, cobbles and clay; and clay with different depths

Age of the vineyard:

Old vineyards: Pre-phylioxera, over 120 years of age

Young vineyards: 20-30 years of age

Pruning system: Gobelet Plantation pattern:

> Old vineyards: 2.7 x 2.7 m Young vineyards: 1.30 x 3.30 m

Plantation density: Average production:

> Old vineyards: 3,000 kg/ha Young vineyards: 5,000 kg/ha

Harvest: Manual

Irrigation: Scarce rainfalls Variety: Tempranillo

Fermentation vats and tanks: The winery has 32 open stainless-steel vats where the temperature is controlled. They are tub-type vats with a maximum capacity of 4,000 kg. It also has two wooden tanks to ferment and age some of the more special lots. The capacity of the vats ranges between 1,000 and 25,000 litres

Ageing: Ageing is exclusively carried out in French oak barrels from different cooperages. In general terms, we use the barrels for a maximum of 5 years, once and twice for wines from old vineyards (Cenit VDC, Cenit and Via Cenit) and the further uses are reserved for Aleo, Venta Mazarrón and Villano.

VÍA CENIT 2014

ORIGIN: Vía Cenit is a selection of very small pre-phylioxera vineyards with different soil compositions and sun exposures. The aromatic expression of these grapes is strong in ripe fruit and many sweet spices.

TOTAL PRODUCTION: 17.000 bottles, 0.75 l

VINTAGE: 2014

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE VINTAGE A very rainy autumn-winter (over 250 litres) loaded the water table's capacity to a maximum and provoked, together with the pleasant temperatures, an explosive budding that forced a very strict pruning (between 20 and 30%, depending on the plot), with the aim of adjusting the number of clusters per vine. A very dry summer, with no rain in August, hydrically stressed the vineyard in a positive way, as the water reserves accumulated during the winter helped complete the plant's cycle.

A wet September complicated the conditions and favoured the development of grey mould in the more humid areas. This resulted in an ever more meticulous work than normal on the 2 selection tables.

In general, we can say that the year 2014 was a vintage exposed to high temperatures that produced very aromatic, full-bodied red wines with sweet and round tannins.

WINEMAKING

VARIETY: 100% Tempranillo

AGEING: 12 months in French oak barrels (60% new and 40% reused)

WINEMAKING: De-stemming, grape pressed in the vat. Fermentation is carried out in open stainless-steel vats at a controlled temperature. Maceration: 20-25 days and a malolactic fermentation in wood tanks and barrels.

VINEYARDS:

AVERAGE AGE: between 80 and 100 years.

SOIL: Mixed, a combination of warm soils, sand and pebbles on the surface and clay at different depths.

CLIMATE: continental, with very cold winters and hot summers.

TASTING NOTE:

It is a mature and delicious wine. On the nose, it combines notes of fine wood, cream and sweet spices, with aromas of wild berries, fresh red fruit and some hints of confit fruit. It is a warm and fresh wine on the palate, fleshy, still young.

PAIRING:

White and red meats, stews, pulses, risotto-type rice dishes, semi-cured and Zamora or Manchego-type cured cheese, cured ham, salchichon, mushrooms and morcilla.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION:

TOTAL ACIDITY: 4.70 g/L (tartaric)
RESIDUAL SUGAR: 1.3 g/L

RATINGS:

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VIÑAS DEL CÉNIT IS BORN IN 2004 on the left bank of River Duero, and it is part of the millenary region of Tierra del Vino de Zamora. In our search for unique vineyards, Viñas del Cenit has some of the most unique centenary vineyards in Spain.





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