CELESTE CRIANZA

VINTAGE: 2020

TYPE OF WINE: Red wine

DO: Ribera del Duero

GRAPE VARIETY: Tinto Fino (Tempranillo)

WINEMAKING

Number of days of skin contact: 15-20 days Type of fermentation: In stainless steel tanks, under controlled temperature. Malolactic fermentation, predominantly in new barrels, then aged on the lees for 2 months. Length of alcoholic fermentation: 1 week aproximatelly Fermentation temperature: 25-30°C Ageing: During 12 months in 60 % French oak and 40% American oak (13% new barrel) Length of bottle ageing before release: Mínimum 12 months

TECHNICAL DATA

Alcohol level: 14% vol. pH: 3.7 Total acidity: 5 g/L (tartaric a.) Residual sugar: <0.5 g/L Allergy advice: Contains sulfites Stored under the right conditions, the wine will hold its potential for the next: 3-7 years

AVAILABLE FORMATS

300 cl, 150 cl and 75 cl

TASTING NOTES

Lovely dark cherry red colour. Expressive fruit (blueberry) aroma with delicate oak-imparted notes (cocoa) and elegant spices coming through. Velvety and supple, the wine is more accessible, lighter, and less structured than previous vintages, but has attained a good level of maturity and is very pleasant to drink.

SERVING SUGGESTIONS

Given its smooth, silky tannins and fruit concentration, the wine Pairs beautifully with all kinds of red meat, chorizo, and aged cheeses. Serve at 14–16°C.

LEGACY

Celeste is born 895 meters above sea level, where the vines and the sky form a magical connection, resulting in a wine filled with the freshness, emotion, and intensity of a starry night.



TERROIR

Soil

The winery, found in the Fompedraza vineyard, is located in the mid-eastern section of the Duero River Valley, near the town of Fompedraza and the Durantón River, a tributary of the Duero that converges with it by Peñafiel. The area has a gentle topography, characterized by high plateaus traversed by steep, narrow valleys that give the region its distinctive morphology.

Celeste Crianza is the blend of a selection of the best parcels throughout Ribera del Duero, from towns standing at 790–900 metres above sea level. The region's unique climate plays a key role in its suitability for winegrowing. The area shows a predominance of Tertiary and Quaternary continental deposits. Specifically, the vineyard sits atop deposits from the Upper Miocene and Quaternary periods. The predominant Upper Miocene lithology is based on grey limestone interspersed with marl, whereas the Quaternary areas are mostly composed of clay. The soils that formed on top of these materials tend to exhibit medium to fine textures and are very rich in carbonate.

Weather conditions

The 2020 vintage was characterized by a mild winter in terms of temperature. The spring saw plenty of rain, and the summer was not excessively hot. Rainfall towards the end of the season, almost at harvest time, conditioned the start of picking. Under these climatic conditions, the vines budded early, veraison was very even across all parcels, and the grapes attained optimal phenolic ripeness, resulting in lower alcohol wines. Despite the risk of disease, the grapes were exceptionally healthy. The 2020 vintage wines are aromatically very intense and smooth on the palate.

Precipitation

Annual average (historical): 410.8 mm Annual total (current vintage): 445.2 mm

Temperature

Annual average (historical): 11.8°C Annual average (current vintage): 12.5°C