

EL RIBAZO 2014

Description:

Terroir wine from the El Ribazo vineyard with 34-year-old Tempranillo vines which in the future La Marquesa will register under the new category of "Viñedos Singulares". EL RIBAZO is an 11-hectare vineyard situated in Villabuena de Álava which belongs to the family. It was planted on gently sloping hillsides, protected to both the north and the south by pronounced banks. The soil composition, the orientation of the vineyard and the age of the vines give it a distinctive character and make it ideal for obtaining TOP QUALITY harvests.

Vinification and ageing:

The wine has aged in a 5,000-litre oak vat and then in American- and French-oak casks. It conserves the style of a typical Villabuena Tempranillo, deep and powerful, while at the same time fresh and elegant.

Tasting:

- **COLOR:** Clean, deep garnet colour with violet hues denoting its lack of evolution.
- **AROMA:** High, sharply-defined intensity. Nuances of red-berry fruit with underlying cocoa and balsamic and toasted aromas. When the wine is swirled in the glass the aromas gain in intensity, with reminders of cream cakes, sweet roots and ginger coming through.
- **BOCA:** On the palate the attack is silky smooth, but with a bit of bite from the marked, but balanced, tannins. Fresh red berries to the fore accompanied by spicy flavours and mineral nuances. The finish proves fresh, long and lingering.

