# **CAMINOS DE SACRAMENTO 2018**

Single Vineyard · Viñas Leizaola

### PRODUCTION AREA

Own Vineyards in Laguardia. Rioja Alavesa

#### FINAL BLEND

Tempranillo 93% · Graciano 7%

### PRODUCTION / VINIFICATION

Harvest in 12kg crates with manual selection of bunches and mechanical selection of individual grapes. Plot-by-plot vinification. Malolactic fermentation in barrels, 15 months of maturation in French oak.

# VITICULTOR'S VINTAGE

It was a snowy winter, with high rainfalls and cold temperatures well into the spring, until the end of May. The last snow fell in mid-April. Flowering occurred mid-June. The cold and humid weather spared the vineyard from odium and mildew attacks. Good conditions during the flowering, combined with good fecundation, led to an important load of fruit and large bunches.

There were several strong storms during the summer, a heat wave in the first days of August, and a good day/night temperature contrast in September, with temperatures rising again to 32 degrees on 23 September. Those good conditions maintained during the harvest, from 8 to 20 October.

Hard work was carried out in the vineyards throughout the summer to fight and control the possible attack of disease because of the storms. The vineyard's vigor is a clear characteristic of this vintage. Some plots were green harvested up to five different times before the final harvest.

# TASTING NOTE 24 NOVEMBER 2020

### COLOUR

Young cherry red with violate rim.

### **Nose**

On the first impression one smells red fruit with fresh acidity and a hint of tobacco.

Swirrling the glass the red fruit aromas of redcurrant, cassis and cherry intensify mixing with elegant toasting.

## **PALATE**

On the palate the wine is fresh with flavours of red fruit, good balance and medium body. The taste is marked by cherry, cassis and plum mixed with graphite, sandalwood, coffee and elegant oak flavours derived from a good barrel ageing.

The finish is medium long, pleasant and well balanced due to the elegant tannins, ripe fruit and fresh acidity.





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