

# CANTOGORDO

Cantogordo (Samaniego). Bush vines planted in 1961 at an altitude of 530 metres above sea level. The vines are planted on a south-west to northeast axis on a 5% slope.

GEOLOGY AND SOIL: Predominantly sandy with patches of limestone from the bedrock which is about 90cm below the surface.

HARVEST: Manual harvest in boxes, with the grapes kept and transported to the winery chilled at 6°C. The 2018 vintage had a marked Atlantic influence which gives the wine an interesting natural acidity which makes it fresh and direct on the palate. The large temperature difference between day and night while the grapes were ripening guaranteed a high degree of synthesis between the phenolic compounds and aromatic precursors. Harvest took place October, 18 th, 2018.

Following a manual harvest, the grapes are put into boxes and transported at 6°C by refrigerated lorry. Once at the winery, the grapes are kept chilled for a further 24 hours. Alcoholic fermentation in small capacity, conical, tapered tanks. Post-fermentative maceration lasts for a few weeks until the winemaking team tastes the wine and decides to rack it off into 500 litre, new French oak barrels (bocoyes) and 225 litre for malolactic fermentation. The wine then undergoes weekly batonnage to stir the lees. The winery has its own, rather unique mechanism to help move the bocoyes more easily.

### COLOR

Intense, brilliant ruby.

#### NOSE

Very long on the palate with granular tannins and a nice tension from the limestone base.

#### PALATE

Strong and straight attack over the palate thanks to the good acidity and crunchy tannins. The wine has a long finish.



## CANTOGORDO VALDELACIERVA

SINGLE VINEYARD 2018

Winemaker Emma Villajos

> 2018 Vintage

Vintage Rating Good

Single Vineyard Finca Cantogordo

1961 4.200 kg/ha Year planting Yield vineyard 0,91 ha Vineyard area

Bush vine with 3 cordons y 2 spurs (1 or 2 Pruning buds)

Planting density 3.300 vines /ha

> Region D.O.Ca. Rioja - Rioja Alavesa

Sand with patches of limestone from bedrock Yield Ondulated land. 5% slope

Orientation SO-NE Altitude 500 metres

Rainfall 465,60 15,030 °C Harvest's average temperature

> Manual in boxes. Grapes transported in a Harvest refrigerated truck at 6°C.

10,17, 2018

Small steel conical tanks. Pumping over. Alcoholic Fermetation Malolatic Fermetation 500 and 225 litre French oak

> 15 months Ageing French oak 225 and 500 litres Type of barrel

Grape variety Tempranillo

3466 botellas de 75 cl y 200 Magnum N° of bottle

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