



TEO'S 2008

Winery: Bodegas Launa

D.O.C.: Rioja Alavesa

Wine Type: Red

Varieties: 100% Tempranillo

Alcohol: 14 %

After 7 generations of the family linked to the world of wine, it was Teodoro Unzueta and María Felisa Gaztelurrutia who in the year 1978 built the first winery in Villabuena (Rioja Alavesa). The enthusiasm, work and the spirit of improving have led this family to build a new underground winery in Laguardia, under the rocks of the Cantabria mountain range and in an area surrounded by vineyards. At present, it is their children, Iker, Unax and Usuri who manage the winery.

The winery and vineyards are located in the town of Laguardia, Rioja Alavesa, in a unique area under the Cantabria mountain range. The area is under the influence of the Mediterranean climate that brings sunshine and the necessary heat for the plant.

The grapes for this wine come from 86 year-old vineyard planted, at 655 meters above sea levels, in soils with a clay-limestone composition and directed from north to south with a marked slope from the Cantabria mountain range to the Ebro river. These characteristics (privileged layout) generate the optimal conditions of exposure and moisture for the growth of the vines and the maturing of the grapes.

After very exhaustive selection in the vineyard, the harvest is done manually in boxes of 15 kilos and the bunches undergo a second selection in the winery. After destemming, the grapes are macerated in cold temperatures for 48 hours and then controlled temperature fermented in stainless steel with daily remontages.

Malolactic fermentation is done in new French oak barrels and then aged 18 months.

PRODUCTION: 500 cases



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"Inky purple. Cassis, blackberry and dark chocolate aromas and flavors are complicated by anise, candied flowers and vanilla. Lush and expansive, showing alluring sweetness and bright, enlivening acidity. Finishes with supple tannins and lingering notes of dark berry compote mocha and allspice."

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