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TOSCA CERRADA (VDT Cadiz)







Tosca Cerrada "Mosto" 2016

100% Palomino Fino

Aging: 15 months under flor in stainless tank (unfortified) Vineyards: Pago Balbaína and Pago Miraflores Solera: Bodega Delgado Zuleta Alcohol: 12.5% Alc by Vol Production: 6,000 bottles

Background: After falling in love with Palomino from his Akilia project in Bierzo, Mario Rovira started Tosca Cerrada to work with the grape in its spiritual homeland: The Sherry Triangle. The Tosca Cerrada wines are bottlings of vintage Palomino, unfortified, aged for different periods of time under *flor* yeast. The "mosto" is aged 15 months in a stainless tank. These are emerging styles in the region, not yet recognized by the DO, although this will likely change in the coming years. They are increasing in popularity and may be the greatest sushi wines out there!

Grapes: Palomino from two of the Sherry Triangle's finest vineyards, Pagos Balbaína and Miraflores.

Soils/Climate: Albariza soils, specifically Tosca Cerrada Albariza: ~50% chalk, holds water well and encourages elegant wines. Miraflores is in Sanlúcar and more coastal (cooler/more moisture), Balbaína is in Jerez more inland (warmer/drier).

Viticulture: Sustainable.

Winemaking: Fifteen months in stainless tank under *flor*. Unfortified. Bottled "en rama" without any treatments (no SO2, fining, filtering, or cold stabilization). Thus, some sediment in the bottle is possible.