

BODEGAS CARCHELO



CARCHEL ALTICO

ESTATE GROWN

VARIETALS: 100% Syrah

VINEYARDS: Umbria del Carche and Sierra de Enmedia

ORIGIN: Sierra del Carche, Jumilla, Spain

AGING: 14 months in French oak barrels

ALCOHOL: 14.5% by vol.

TASTING NOTES

Color: Lively and intense with garnet notes and a bit of vermilion

Bouquet: Fruity and flowered character with wild berries and hints of refreshing violets typical of the Syrah varietal. Toasty and spicy background.

Taste: Full bodied, rich mouth feel with sensations from the first taste. Smooth, refreshing with balanced fruit. Great aging potential.

Pairing: Recommended to combine with fresh food dishes and mild flavors.

BACKGROUND

Bodegas Carchelo, SL, a family winery, founded in 1990, sits in Jumilla (Murcia), at the foot of the Sierra del Carche, protected Regional Park whose highest peak "Madama" rises to 1,372 meters. The Mediterranean, together with our interior location and on the plateau, provides us with a unique climate. In the Spanish Mediterranean, between the provinces of Alicante, Albacete (La Mancha), Granada and Almería (Andalusia) is the Region of Murcia, and to the northeast of it is Jumilla, a historic, ancient city; an extensive municipal term (1,000 km²) makes up the plateau of the Murcia Region with an average altitude of 600 m. Arid and mountainous land, of steppe and rosemary, where the vineyard historically found a singular habitat to produce grapes of exceptional quality. Professional ethics, respect for people and our environment are constant in any area of our activity.

VINIFICATION

Our facilities boast all the necessary means and technology for making, nurturing, bottling and preserving our wines in the best conditions possible of hygiene and food safety. We only produce red wines. We ferment in stainless steel automated tanks, with automated control and regulation of temperature and capacity for 12,000, 25,000 and 50,000 liters. We use, between them all, a total of 550,000 liters depending on the sizes of the plots harvested.

Our barrel room where the wines are aged has a capacity for 1,000 barrels of 225 liters. We use top quality French oak and different degrees of toasting; we changed 20% of the barrel room every year and we remove the barrels after their fifth year of use. The room is conditioned to maintain a constant temperature and level of humidity throughout the year.

VINEYARDS

Our vineyards are located in plots spread over different areas of the substantial municipal area. As a result, we have reduced the risk of losing the whole of our harvest due to hailstones and it also gives us variety in the type of soil, altitude and orientation on hillsides and valleys. The different locations lead to different absorption of sun, temperature and exposure to the wind. This gives us different stages of ripeness and offers us a staggered grape harvest, producing grapes with many different subtleties. We respect and protect the environment. With the help of a biological system of draining residual water, we then use residual water, we waste water for the irrigation of green areas of green areas. The solid waste is removed by authorized waste managers.

