CASTRO VENTOSA RABBIT LABEL

2023

Country
Spain

Region
Bierzo

Varietal
85% Mencia
8% Alicante Bouschet
7% Blend of Whites

Winemaker
Raúl Pérez & César Márquez

Alcohol Content
13.5%

Total Sulfur
No data

Residual Sugar
No data

pH
No data



HISTORY

Atop the hill overlooking the village of Valtuille de Abajo lies the ancient Roman fortification of the Castro Ventosa- the Castle of the Winds. Since 1752, the Perez family has owned and farmed vineyards around the ancient ruin and has taken its name for their vineyard domain.

While the wines have been spectacular for generations, since 2018 Raúl Pérez has been working alongside nephew César Márquez resulting in wines of even greater finesse, delicacy and brilliance.

The Rabbit Label is a nod to the Carthaginian name for Spain *Ispania* meaning "land of rabbits". The rabbit changes color every vintage.

VINIFICATION and MATURATION

Hand-harvested and de-stemmed. Pressed into temperature controlled stainless steel tanks. Co-fermented using only native yeasts, Finished in 5,000l neutral oak foudres for 3 months.

VINEYARD

Average age of vines 85 years old. Mixture of 17 places of Valtuille and adjoining slopes towards Cacabelos and Villafranca del Bierzo.Mix of clay soils, clayey with stone, sandy and rich in organic matter.

TASTING NOTES

Vibrant and fresh black cherry and sun-ripened raspberry with a faint note of cured black olive and black tea.

FOOD PAIRING

Jamon Serrano, sheep's milk cheese, carne asada tacos, mushroom birria.

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PENDING

BOUTIQUE WINE COLLECTION