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The Charge, Rioja, La Báscula

Rioja, Spain



Product code	LB10ZZRC
Grapes	Tempranillo
Country	SPAIN
ABV%	14
Case Size	6
Closure Style	Cork
Producer	La Bascula
Vintage	2021

Vegan Vegetarian

La Báscula

Producer

La Báscula — "the weighing scales" — is the collaboration between Hispanophile Master of Wine Ed Adams and Bruce Jack, built on balance between Old World insight and New World instinct. The wines prioritise proportion, place and drinkability over excess.

Tasting Notes

Full of ripe red berry fruit with a hint of spice; excellent concentration and richness of flavour. Average of 9 months ageing in American oak barrels rounds off and enhances this delicious wine as well as adding vanilla and spicy notes. 2009 Decanter Bronze medal. Excellent red berry and spice fruit with a pleasant, balancing acidity and oaky notes from barrel ageing

Viticulture

The Charge is produced by Bodegas Manzanos who control 700 hectares in Rioja as well as 50 hectares in D. O. Navarra. The grapes for this wine come from the Rioja Baja which has a dry and warm climate due to the Mediterranean influence. The soils are alluvial and clay-ferrous predominate. The vineyards are divided between the towns of Aldeanueva de Ebro, Alfaro, Azagra and San Adrián. The vines are trained on trellises helping to obtain grapes with good ripeness and balance. Due to the low rainfall of less than 300mm annually, drip irrigation has been installed in all the vineyards. Framing is conventional.

Winemaking

A judicious mix of Tempranillo (70%), Garnacha (20%) and Graciano (10%) with 7 months average ageing in oak barrels

Awards

Charge Rioja 2019 89 points in Decanter.