



ALIÓN

## WINEMAKER'S DESCRIPTION

Alión embodies the diversity of Ribera del Duero. This wine represents a mosaic of personalities, with vineyards from the eastern border of the appellation (Soria) to the western end (the Vega Sicilia estate in Valbuena de Duero).

During the ageing process, in concrete, barrels and oak vats, the different sites are blended to create a harmonious Ribera.

2021 was a vintage to savour, to enjoy tasting the grapes, with their crisp, fruity skins and noble textures. The wines developed gently and the winemaking flowed smoothly.

**It was a year to remember and one that we are very proud of. A balanced, silky and profound vintage.**

## GROWING SEASON

The growing cycle began with a mild autumn and early winter, and hardly any frost until December, which helped the grapevines to lignify. In January, storm Filomena brought snow and temperatures as low as -15°C.

Spring began with timely rains and warm temperatures, resulting in healthy budding in early April. At the end of May, hail hit Pesquera de Duero locally, but not the rest of the vineyards.

The summer was slightly cool, which slowed down the vegetative cycle. Ripening went well, helped by good sunshine, significant day/night temperature variations and almost no rain since early September.



## STORAGE, SERVICE AND DRINKING WINDOW

This wine is suitable for drinking now, but it has a cellaring potential for 20 years if stored in optimal conditions: 12-14°C / 54-57°F and 60% relative humidity.

Best served at 18°C / 64°F.



PER 100 ML 384 KJ / 93 KCAL

ALCOHOL BY VOLUME - 14.5%

GRAPE VARIETY - Tinto Fino

AGEING - 12 months in barrels, concrete, and oak vats, and 18 months aging in bottle

AVERAGE AGE OF THE VINEYARD - 40 years

VINEYARD SURFACE - 70ha in different municipalities of Valladolid, Burgos, Soria and Segovia

PLANT DENSITY - 2,222 plants/ha

ELEVATION - 750 m

YIELD - 3,300kg/ha - 23.1hl/ha

HARVEST - Manual, in 12 kg boxes, from 24 September to 11 October

PRODUCTION - 244,244 Bordeaux, 7,075 Magnum, 600 Double Magnum, 80 Imperial and 5 Salmanazar

BOTTLING DATE - June 2023