

Arrocal Selección Especial 2020 (Red Wine)

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Selección Especial
TINTO FINO 2020
et. Ribera del Duero

Establecida en la denominación de Ribera del Duero, S. C. General
de Denominación de Origen, España. Toda esta denominación está
en el área de Denominación de Origen y es una de las mejores
denominaciones de Ribera del Duero.

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Located in Gumiel del Mercado, in the province of Burgos, our wines are made exclusively from our grapes from soils combined with limestone, sand, clay, and gravel at an altitude of 830m. We have 123 acres of vineyards, the most widespread red variety is “Tinta fina” or “Tempranillo”, with approximately 111 acres. Cabernet Sauvignon has 4 acres, Merlot has 2 acres and “Albillo” (white variety) has 4 acres.

In 2003, the construction of our winery was completed. A space equipped with the latest technology, but above all was designed to respect our treasure: our grapes. All processing work is done by gravity, minimizing the damage to the raw material. The main objective is to follow sustainable viticulture, a true reflection of quality wines.

Appellation	D.O. Ribera del Duero
Grapes	100% Tempranillo, from the single, 40-year-old Astrales vineyard
Altitude / Soil	825 meters / alluvial sand, clay and pebbles
Farming Methods	Practicing Organic
Harvest	Hand harvested fruit, hand sorted at the winery prior to processing
Production	Fermented with native microbes for 20 days in small stainless tanks
Aging	Aged for 15 months in French oak barrels; 50% new
UPC / SCC / Pack Size	8437005780019 / 8-437005780040 / 6

Reviews:

The 2020 Selección Especial from Bodegas Arrocal is a touch riper than the Crianza bottling this year, tipping the scales at 14.5 percent octane. The vines for this cuvée are fully forty- five years of age, farmed organically again, and the wine is raised in fifty percent new oak for eighteen months prior to bottling. Despite the slightly higher octane, the wine is beautifully precise on the nose, offering up a fine blend of plums, red and black cherries, Cuban cigar, a lovely array of spice tones that include a nice touch of savory elements, a fine base of soil and a very refined framing of cedary French oak. On the palate the wine is pure, full-bodied and quite elegant in profile, with excellent mid-palate depth, good soil signature, ripe, chewy tannins and excellent focus on the long, well-balanced and complex finish. This is another excellent wine, but it has some wood tannins to absorb and will need a solid decade in the cellar to soften up. It will be outstanding once it is ready to drink. 2033-2080.” **93 points View from the Cellar;** John Gilman -Issue #103 January/February 2023.

