

VIÑAS JÓVENES 2007

Old vines do not live forever. In order to have access to such special vines in the future as we do today, we needed to start working on younger vineyards as well. In 2007 we bought the vineyard of El Rincón, in the South of Briones, planted in 1998. We have also planted some new vineyards which will become part of this wine until the vines are old enough to give us grapes for our Reservas.



TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Origin: Briones, La Rioja Alta, D.O.C. Rioja.

Grape: Tempranillo.

The vineyard: Planted in El Rincón, a slope facing West in the South of Briones, far from the fertile lands beside the River Ebro. Calcareous soils. Vines planted on wire.

Harvest: Harvested by hand in small cases of 15 Kg.

Winemaking: All the grapes are placed in our sorting table. Fermentation in stainless steel tanks, with no post maceration nor over extraction. Our aim is to keep subtle aromas and flavours from the grapes and the fermentation. Frequent pumping-overs.

In oak: 12 months in barrels of 2 and 3 years of age, made with American oak staves and French oak bottoms, with rackings every 6 months. We top each barrel every 12 weeks to minimize oxidation.

In Bottle: 16.800 of the first edition of Miguel Merino Viñas Jóvenes.