

# Canta Perdices 2014



**Wine Ratings -- This Vintage:**  
None yet

**Wine Ratings -- Earlier Vintages:**

2013: 89 points – Vinous  
89 points – Wine Spectator  
2011: 85 points – Wine Advocate  
2010: 90 points – Wine & Spirits  
87 points – Wine Advocate  
2009: 91 points – Wine Advocate  
2008: 90 points – Wine Advocate

**Bodegas Pedro Regalado** – Bodegas Pedro Regalado is located in La Aguilera, in what the local experts call ‘The Golden Triangle’ of Tempranillo grapes in the Ribera del Duero region. A small group of growers founded the bodega in the early 1960’s. The bodega remained in obscurity for about 40 years, selling their wine to prominent bodegas in the region until Cesar Mate a young winemaker / enologist, joined the bodega. Since 2003, Cesar has been in charge of the bodega’s 370 acre vineyards, which were planted in the early 1900’s. Cesar convinced the bodega not to spend the money to replant the vineyards, which would increase the yield, but to continue with the old vines with their low yields in order to maximize their concentration.

**Canta Perdices** – Bodegas Pedro Regalado owns 2 vineyards, named ‘Canta Perdices’ and ‘Embocadero.’ Canta Perdices means ‘singing partridges’ because the vineyard workers and local villagers are entertained by the partridges singing, especially in the spring mating season.

**Tasting notes** – Bright violet color with cherry and dark berry aromas and flavors with notes of vanilla and mocha on the palate. Well structured.

**Imported since:** 2005

**Appellation:** Ribera del Duero

**Composition:** Tempranillo

**Soil:** mixed with a high concentration of clay, limestone, and many round stones

**Elevation:** 2700 feet

**Vineyard practice:** dry farming, organic but without certification

**Vine Age:** 60 years old

**Yield:** 0.8 tons per acre

**Harvest Dates:** October 6 by hand with a selection table

**Fermentation:** 5 days cold maceration, 15 days in concrete tanks with wild (also referred to as indigenous or natural) yeast

**Ageing:** 12 months in 1 to 3 year old French Allier (70%) and American (30%) oak casks and 6 months in the bottle

**pH:** 3.68

**Residual Sugar:** 1.02 grams per liter

**Alcohol:** 14.2 %

**UPC:** 7 50428 21397 0

**Region:** The Ribera del Duero, or ‘Banks of the Duero River’, region is located in northern central Spain, between Rioja and Toro. The Benedictine monks introduced winemaking in Ribera del Duero in the middle ages, but the region received international acclaim in the past century with Vega Sicilia and Pesquera wines. The vineyards are located at exceptionally high altitudes in a continental climate with bitter cold winters and short summers.