

Hacienda Jose Luis Reserva 2011



Wine Ratings -- This Vintage:

None yet

Wine Ratings -- Earlier Vintages:

This is our first vintage

Bodegas y Vinedos Heras Cordon — Jose Luis Heras Cordon owns an excavating company that specializes on clearing land and planting vineyards around Spain. Jose Luis built his bodega in the 1990's and hired the best persons in the industry to run every aspect of the bodega. The bodega owns 125 acres of vineyards and controls an additional 150 acres to obtain the finest grapes to produce their wines, specializing in the finest wines available. Alexandra Schmedes from Bodegas Ramirez de Ganuza is the wine maker.

Tasting notes: — Combines modern fruit forward with old world Rioja elegance.

Imported since: 2016

Appellation: Rioja

Composition: Tempranillo

Soil: Mixed with a high concentration of clay and limestone

Elevation: 1475 feet

Vineyard practice: dry farming, organic farming without certification

Vine Age: 45 to 50 years

Yield: 1.78 tons per acre

Harvest Dates: Second week of October

Fermentation: 5 days maceration, 10 days alcoholic in small stainless steel tanks with wild (also referred to as indigenous or natural) yeast

Aging: 18 months in up to 3 year old 25% French and 75% American oak casks and minimum 18 months in the bottle

pH:

Residual Sugar: 1.9 grams per liter

Alcohol: 13.94 %

UPC: 7 50428 22217 0

Region:

The Rioja region is located in northern central Spain and is the oldest wine region in Spain. Rioja is synonymous with wine; nearly every business in Rioja is related to the wine industry in some way. Nestled in a valley and protected on all sides by mountains, Rioja has its own microclimate. When phylloxera devastated Bordeaux in the 1870's many French growers came to Rioja and found very similar growing conditions that they had in Bordeaux. Many persons returned to Bordeaux when phylloxera struck Rioja in the next decade. However, the innovations they brought from France remained and started a huge improvement to the winemaking industry in Rioja. Rioja is the first wine region in Spain to be awarded denomination of origin status.