



FAMILIA DÍAZ BAYO

RIBERA DEL DUERO



Located in one of Ribera del Duero's highest villages, Díaz Bayo is a traditional family estate of over ten generations. The family's parcels total nearly 100 acres from 2800 to 3200 feet in elevation. Soils are limestone, marl and clay, and varied exposures further contribute to fruit diversity and extended harvest. The great majority of Díaz Bayo plantings are old-clone Tinta del País ranging from 12 to a staggering 100 years, the average being well over 50 years. Viticulture here is organic.

Although the estate hand-harvests, Díaz Bayo ferments in a mix of conical oak, cement and steel tanks depending on the character of each distinct parcel, the vintage and fruit character, and the type of wine being made. Barriques are primarily French oak, from several producers.

Using fruit from extreme altitudes and soils, Díaz Bayo's sensitive winemaking expresses the deep minerality of the region supported by the freshness and balance that are estate hallmarks.

ROBLE

100% Tempranillo from a 30-year-old clay and limestone parcel at 840 meters elevation. Aged for six months in used French oak and six months in bottle prior to release, bright red fruit is backed by ample palate richness, with a mineral component on the long finish.

CRIANZA

100% Tempranillo from La Viñota, a 60-year-old clay parcel at 950 meters, and El Rubial, a 40-year-old clay and limestone parcel at 920 meters. A rich and generous palate supports the bright red fruit, with minerals on a long finish.

RESERVA

Tempranillo from three elevated parcels: El Mirón at 920 meters with 60-year-old vines in clay soils; El Gallo at 870-910 meters with 30-year-old vines in limestone soils; Las Fuentes Viejas at 850 meters with 80-plus-year-old vines in clay and limestone. Aged 20 months in French oak, this offers strong minerality and lingering black fruit within a dramatic terroir-driven, complex style. Reminiscent of the wines that originally propelled the Ribera del Duero to international acclaim.

Thomas Matthews, Wine Spectator on the 2011: 91pts "This lively red delivers black cherry, licorice, sanguine and toasty notes, featuring firm tannins and bright acidity. Shows depth and balance, with pretty vanilla and floral accents on the finish. Drink now through 2023."

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